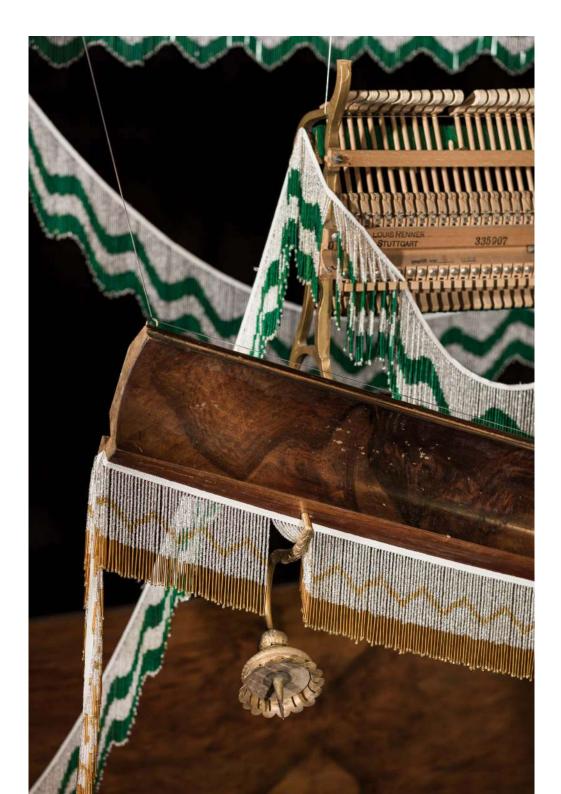


interactive installation IT'S ALL UP IN THE AIR





IT'S ALL UP IN THE AIR

Interactive installation at Spittelberg Theater Vienna (AT) 2021

Every component of this artwork is hanging by transparent threads. "Being up in the air" is a metaphorical approach for Farshido to speak to the uncertain situation that this theater is undergoing. "It is my read from the current situation for this venue, and so many other similar places that are shut down for an unknown period of time." The transparent threads also have another function that contribute to Farshido's piece even more: "now that all this instrument lost their functionality due to the uncertainty that is ruling the space, the threads are here to support them making sounds again." This statement makes this installation a collaborative piece; it establishes a collaboration between Farshido and his audiences. As if the audiences do not attempt to move the fragments of this installation, the piece will remain unfinished.

As if the audiences do not attempt to move the fragments of this installation, the piece will remain unfinished. The threads however are not the only transparent components of this installation. When you look at this art piece, you realize that there are authentic crystal beads hanging from the instruments. The crystal beads represent a frozen forgotten nostalgia that is boughten to live; Farshido is visualizing the notes were emitted from the instruments once. "I had been collecting the venetian crystal beads for so long. They all are playing roles as forgotten notes in this installation."

The material that is used in this installation is a phenomenal aspect of this piece.

Text by Sogand Tabatabaei

UP IN THE AIR

Video art Producer: Farshido

Music composition: Tomasz Golinski

D.O.P.: Casanova Sorolla

Duration: 06:55

2021





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Installation at Spittelberg Theater Vienna (AT)



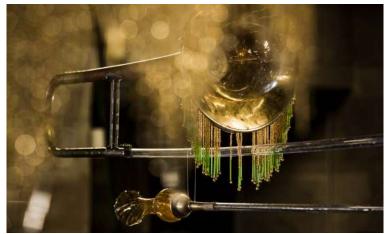














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interactive installation

THE WHISPERS AND THE HALF-OPEN DOORS

2016



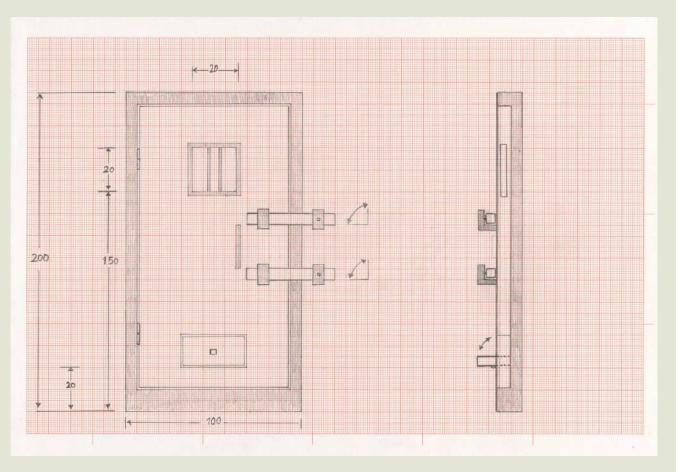
THE WHISPERS AND THE HALF OPEN DOORS

Doors are amongst the oldest metaphors. They have encouraged people, they have inspired them, they have showed them ways and they have freed them through Literature and Art but they have this metaphorical use and meaning when they are opened. Closing them equals the death of this metaphor. Many of us need the doors in front of us to be opened. Many of us are waiting to be cuddled by that compassionate metaphor.

Many refugees come to Europe every day. Most are Syrian or Afghan. Afghans have been bearing the pain and suffering for years. They are the children of pain. Even the word "Afghan" is a proof of this claim. It means scream. The scream which is stuck in throats of thousands of them but can be seen in their silent and patient looks, their eye whisper a wounded history if you listen to them. 'Ghodratollah' is one of them, smart with high spirits for learning, enthusiasm. He hasn't had the chance to finish school and graduate in Afghanistan but he is truly talented and he learns fast. When I think of his talent I wish he could live like any other free individual, I wish he could have the least and first human rights, freedom and safety; to be accepted as a free individual.

And yet I'm not hopeless; for I'm sure there are many people here who think the same, many who will never put out the flame of hope in his pensive but reflective eyes, many who will shake his hard working hand.

As a matter of fact these are my doors, waiting for compassionate hands to open them... Exactly like the door of Fine arts academy, which opened by my professor Gunter Damisch to me and it changed my life...



The Whispers And The Half-Open Doors. Version 2.

Interactive installation

A part of Pocket Memories Project. Exhibited at Mohsen Gallery Tehran 2016

(Dedicated to the memory of my dear professor and colleague Gunter Damisch)



Installation view of the solo exhibition at Mohsen gallery Tehran (IR), 2017





























Installation view of the solo exhibition at Mohsen gallery Tehran (IR), 2017

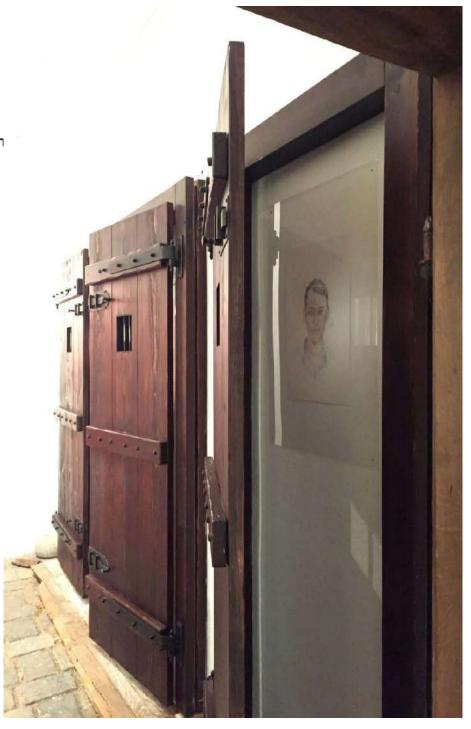


The Whispers And The Half-Open Doors. 1st. Version

Interactive installation

A part of the exhibition: Von Hier, Und Dort. Exhibited at Fronfeste Museum, Neumarkt, Austria 2016-2017 Curated by Ingrid Weydemann





project

WIND BLOWS FROM THE EAST THIS TIME

mixed media - installation 2014-2022



WIND BLOWS FROM THE EAST THIS TIME STATEMENT

I always talked to my girl friend Shirin, who was living in Iran at the time, about work, via Skype. And she talked about her everyday life and her problems. We also talked about social issues in and outside of Iran. One day in 2014 she told me she will cut her braid out of her hair in protest, and then send them abroad to austria, where they will have their freedom. As a sign and reminder, I made in 2014 a photo series about her on the roof where she lives in Tehran.

Iranian women are disgraced many times by the repressive and threatening behaviour and judgment of fanatic Muslims when she leaves home, most women are aware of this fact but they rarely react. Some just suffer from it and some have adapted themselves with such circumstances and don't bother to think about it. Living as a free individual and being able to decide what to wear and how to dress seems like a dream that may come true soon.

In this project, there is an installation titled ,Wind Blows From The East This Time, about an Iranian woman who has suffered from male-dominated rules, social inequalities and gender-oriented treatment. She decides to respond.

She gives her hair to the wind. She is whispering something to the wind. It somehow reminds a ritual to my mind. The dance, the whispers, the promise, the sacrifice, and the faith, manifest the whole thing like a ritual. May be the hair is what she sacrifices for a more important purpose. A part of her was stolen from her once, and that part has begun a journey to the West. Let's hope the wind blows from the East this time



Screen shot 2012-11-10 at 10.11.00 PM



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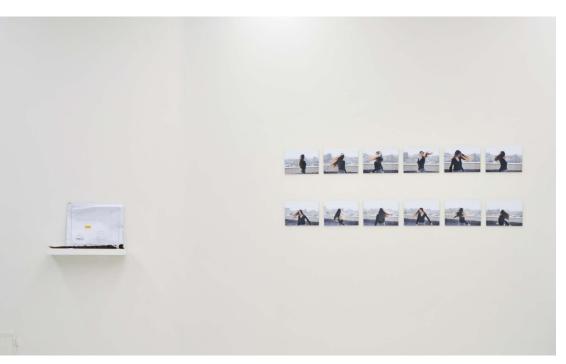
Installation view- "The Medium" exhibition, Curated by David Eisl, INOMO art space, 2014, Vienna (AT)



Wind Blows From The East This Time

Installation (Incl. 12 photographs + human hair) Edition of polyptych photos: 3 + 2 AP (available in 15×20 cm and also in 30×40 cm each) 2014

Price for the installation: € 7.200

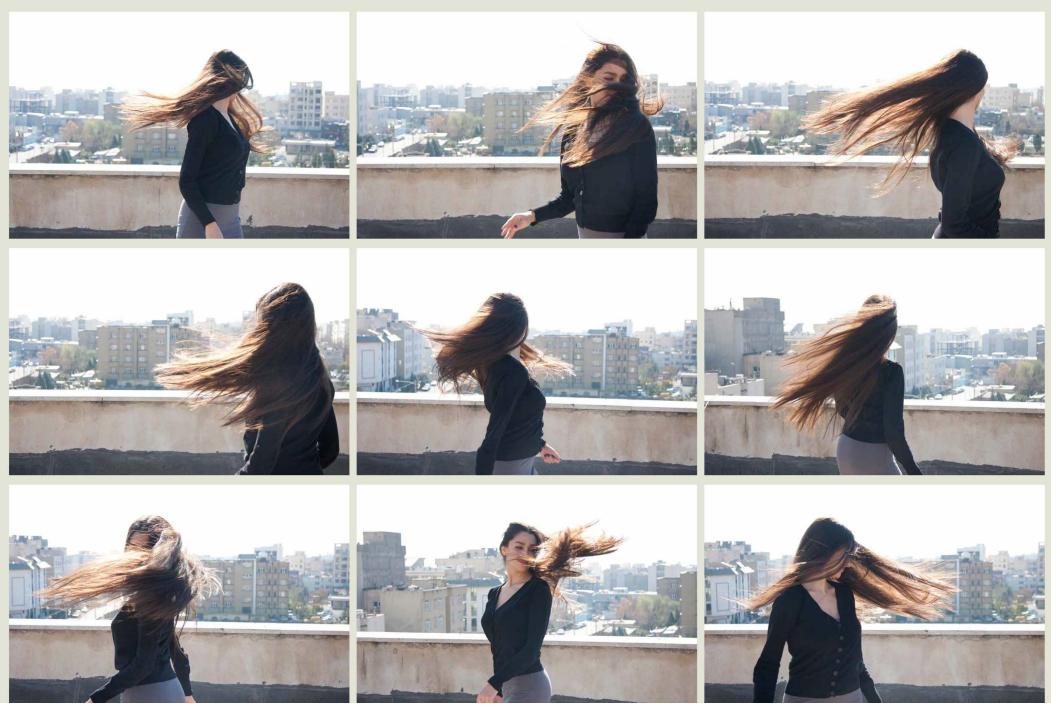




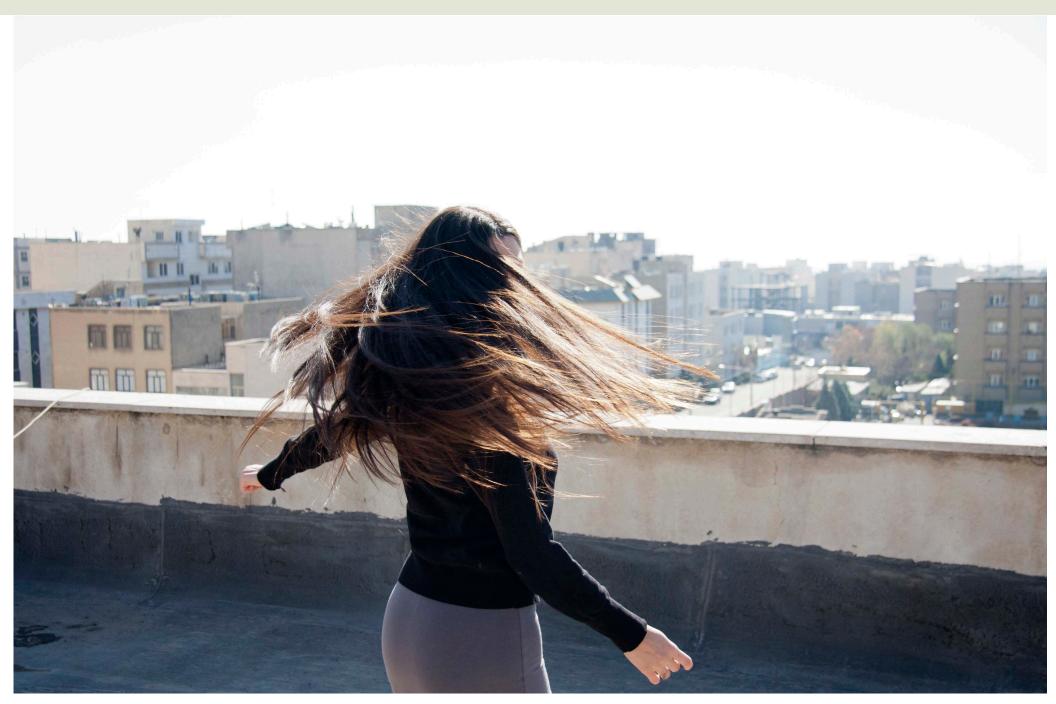




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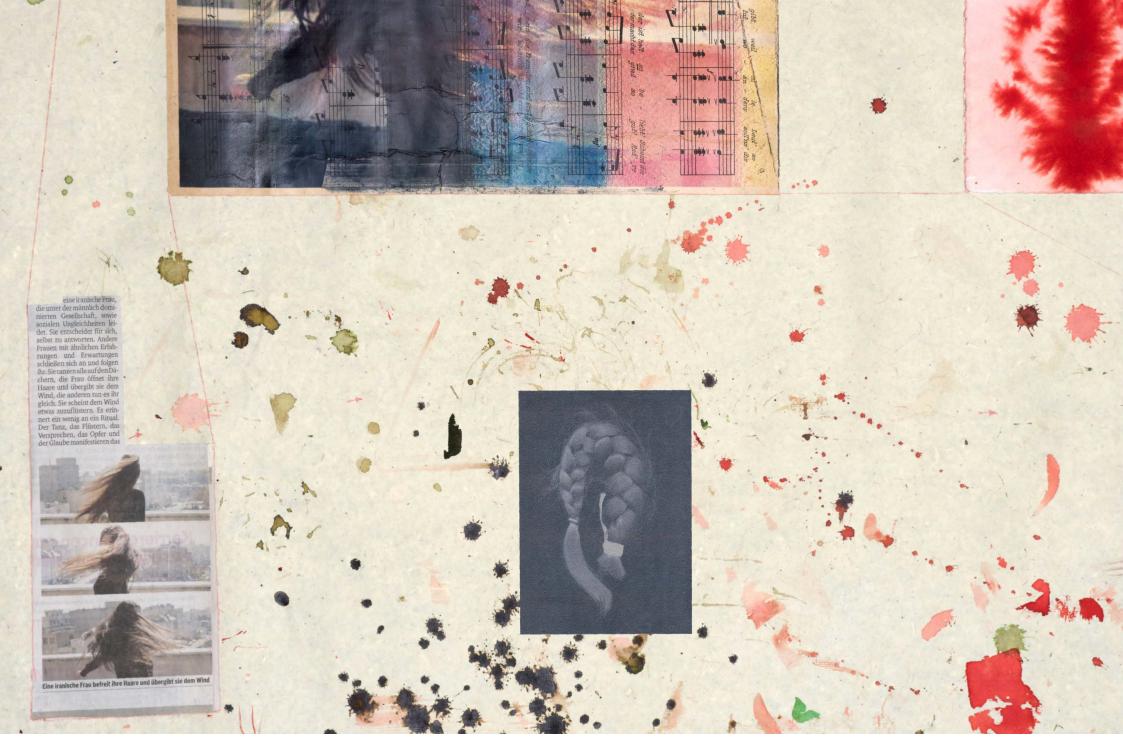
KURIER NEWSPAPER AUSTRIA An article about the project 29. APRIL 2015



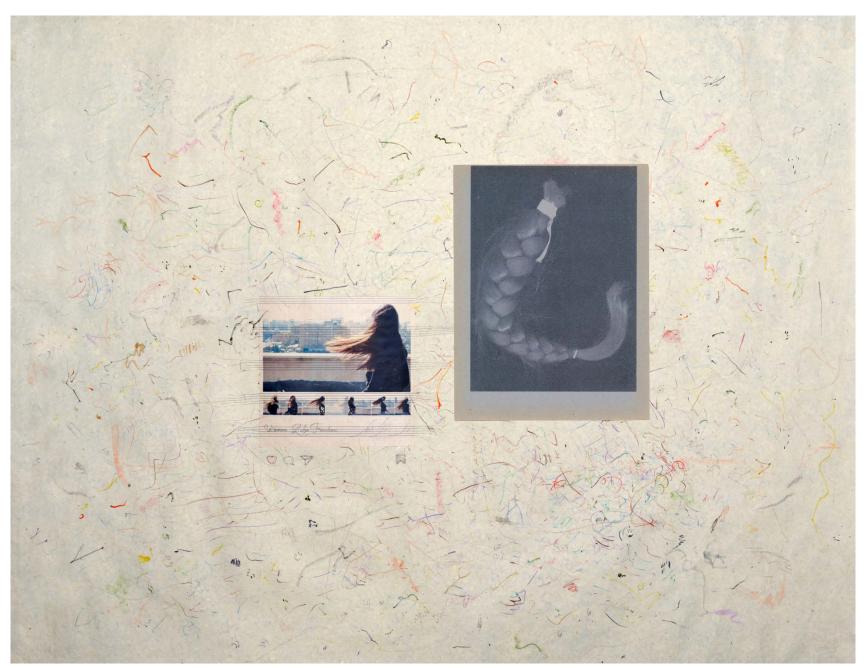
Wind Blows - 01

Mixed media on paper 65 x 85 cm 2022

€ 3.000



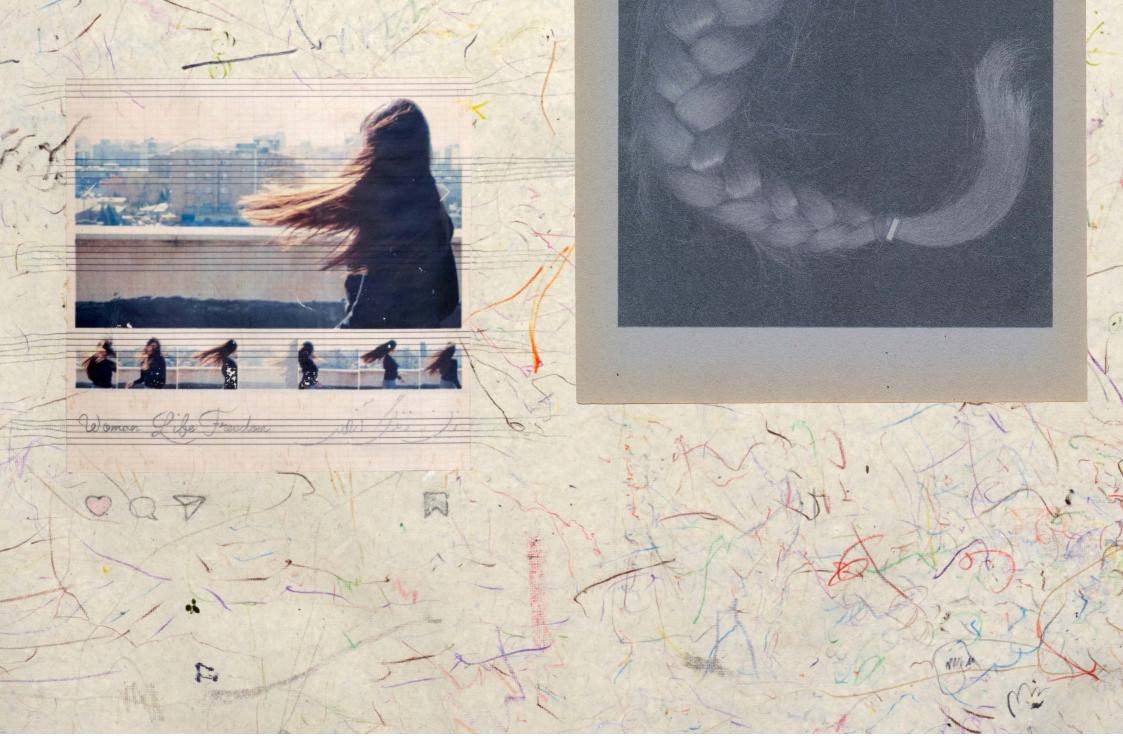
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Wind Blows - 02

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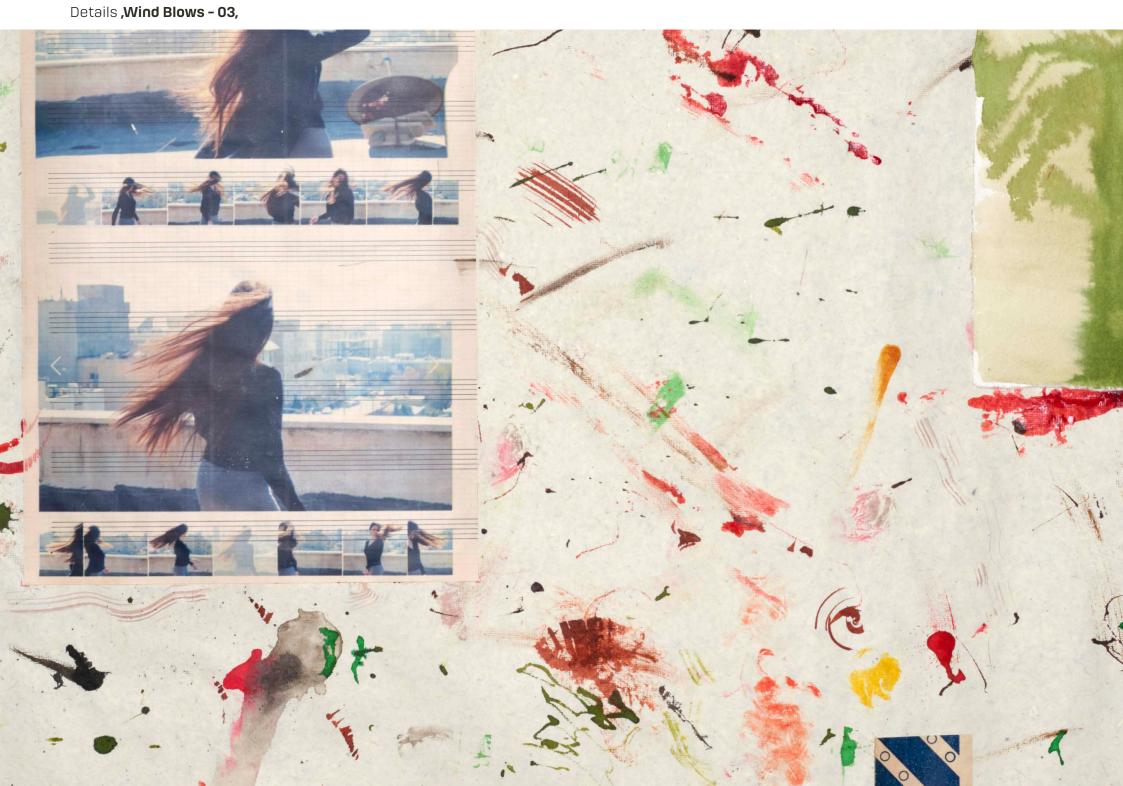
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Wind Blows - 03

Mixed media on paper 65 x 85 cm 2022

€ 3.000









,Wind Blows,

Mixed media on paper 65 x355 cm triptych 2022

Price for the triptych : € 7.000

interactive installation

UNCERTAIN HORIZON. 01.







Installation shot. MOMA Moscow (RUS), 2012



Uncertain Horizon. 01 Interactive installation 200*200*100 cm 2012







People themselves are elements that are connected to other causes and effects. Sometimes they are moved by extern forces and influences, and sometimes by intern. Sometimes we resist, sometimes we let go and surrender towards an uncertain horizon. The latter has always fascinated me...Life is a swing! you can either scream, or you can throw your hands up in the air, and enjoy it...

Description: In my last Installation as you see there are 2 swings. In one of them hangs a paper with a drawing of a woman on it and the other is a man and they are soaring parallel and they are looking at the uncertain horizon. On that installation we see 2 Puppets (a little boy & a little girl) who stand there in a mysterious way against the swings. When we see the swing from the back side, we see just a white paper and we don't know what is behind... the paper can be hold up and dropped by hand, by people and audience themselves.

Installation shots. AULA Hall, Academy of Fine Arts Vienna (AT) 2012





Interactive installation

"A Time for Dreams", Curated by David Elliott, 3rd Moscow International Biennale for Young Art, Strategic project, MOMA Moscow (RUS) 2012 sculpture

AFTER JOSEF SCHROEDER

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After 'Josef Schröder'

Sculpture Hardwood, Joinery 270 x 118 x 118 1832 * - 2021

*The decorative model was issued by the renown model maker 'Josef Schröder' founded 1832 in Darmstadt, Germany.







Invictus - Group exhibition view
Curated by Lorenzo Bruni
at Joya by Alserkal - Dubai (UAE)
Represented by Behnoode Foundation
2021





project

FLORA IRANICA
FROM THE FOOTHILLS OF THE ALBORZ TO THE PEAKS OF THE ALPS 2022





A project by Farshido Larimian

In cooperation with Austrian Cultural Forum (ÖKF) Tehran, IR Natural History Museum Vienna (NHM), and Aichberg Castle, AT

July 2022, Yassi Foundation Tehran, IR

Scientific collaborators: Dr. Ernst Vitek and Dr. Jalil Noroozi Project Manager: Nima Shokraei Exhibition design: Farshido

An exhibition at the Yassi Foundation Tehran (IR) juxtaposes contemporary artistic positions from Austria with an important botanical collection at the Natural History Museum Vienna (NHM). The focus of the FLORA IRANICA exhibition is the historical collection of herbaria that the Austrian botanist Theodor Kotschy collected in Persia and Afghanistan in the 19th century. Curator Farshido Larimian expands this look into the past with artistic works by Farshido, David Eisl, Hannah Stippl, Regina Anzenberger, Karin Maria Pfeifer, Marianne Lang, Michaela Putz, Karin Karin Pliem, Christina Gruber, Yvonne Oswald, and Christopher Wittine. They all move in the subject areas of nature, plants, ecology and sustainability. In addition to works of photography, painting, installation and video, there is a selection of artist books. Discussion panels will complete the program.

With the Flora Iranica, the Natural History Museum Vienna (NHM) houses the most important international botanical collection of Iranian plants from the Flora Iranica area (Persia and Afghanistan).

The exhibition FLORIA IRANICA (from the foothills of the Alborz to the peaks of the Alps) is inspired by this history of collecting and archiving, but also of international transfer. Curated by Farshido Larimian, these historical documents are the focus of the exhibition. In addition to pictures from the NHM's herbarium collection, most of which were collected by Theodor Kotschy, including 14 original panels from 1837. there are parts of the herbarium collection at Aichberg Castle in Austria. Running for four weeks, the FLORA IRANICA exhibition aims to move visitors to the atmosphere of the time when Theodor Kotschy and Karl H. Rechinger discovered and collected plants in nature.

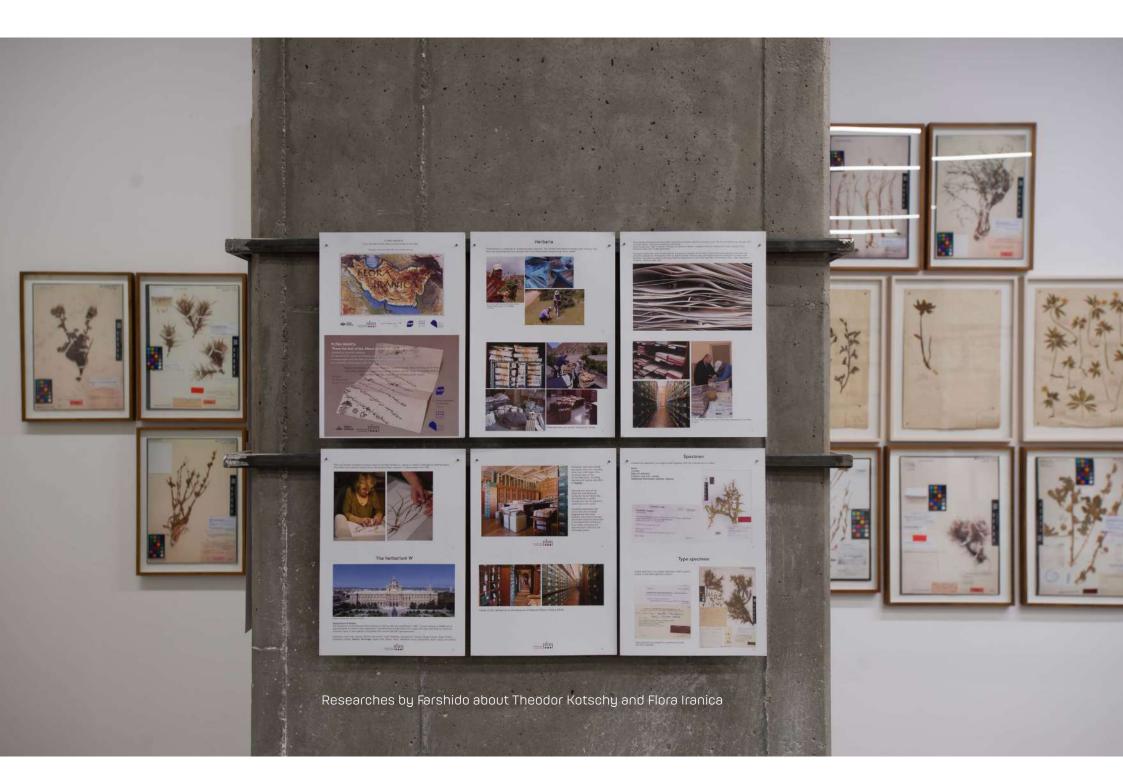
With the support and cooperation of the Austrian Embassy and the Cultural Forum (ÖKF) Tehran, Farshido supplements this look into the past with contemporary positions. In addition to and with works of contemporary art, selected artefacts from older European cultural history are shown in this exhibition, which document both the scientific examination of nature and the tradition of depicting natural motifs in the design of everyday objects. The 14 specimens from the late 19th century shown in this exhibition were used as teaching aids in natural history lessons at a school that was once housed in Aichberg Castle.

yassifoundation.com/flora-iranica/ nhm-wien.ac.at/flora-iranica/





















Inside the Herbarium W Museum of Natural History in Vienna

The Herbarium of the Natural History Museum in Vienna (W) was established in 1807. Current holdings in NHMW are of approximately 5.5 million plant specimens. The herbarium is especially rich in types (the plant specimen to which the scientific name of that species is attached) with around 200,000 type specimens. Almost 180 years ago, the Austrian botanist Theodor Kotschy climbed Mount Damavand, near Tehran. He brought back a rich collection of plants from his research trips to the Iranian highlands. He sent more than 10,000 botanical preparations to Vienna and thus created the basis for the most important collection of Iranian plants in the NHM Vienna, which today comprises 60,000 objects.







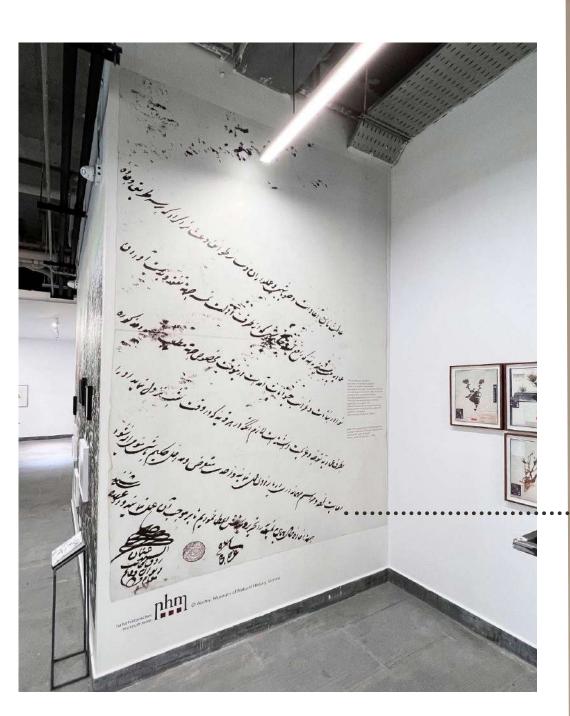




Herbaria from the Plant collection of Aichberg castle Austria Pressed plants and ink on paper 50x30 cm each ca. 1873-1882

Exhibits from the Cajetan Gril Collection, Aichberg Castle. In addition to and with works of contemporary art, selected artefacts from older European cultural history are shown in the exhibition, which document both the scientific examination of nature and the tradition of depicting natural motifs in the design of everyday objects.

Herbaria from the last 250 years are indispensable, especially for research into flora and landscape change. The 21 specimens from the late 19th century shown in the exhibition Flora Iranica were used as teaching aids in natural history lessons at a school that was once housed in Aichberg Castle.

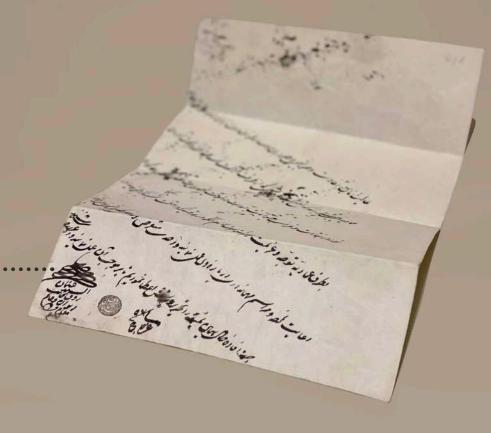


Order of the government of Mohammad Shah to support the work of Theodor Kotschy in Iran issued by the scribe Al-Seyed Osman, servant of the helm, c. 1843.

"The excellencies, guardians, Kurd tribes on the way to Emadieh (name of a palace in Kermanshah); the holder of this letter, the German physician, on order of government will collect olants and animals on his way towards Eradich. You will be pleased to host him in any village (offering him| accommodation overnight, respect [him| as a guest, and nobody should make trouble him on his way. For hi comfort we prepared this order to be respected and applied"

Translated from Farsi by M. Alhani]

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Interactive installation including Farshido's private collection with 30 watercolors of botanical content from the 19th century.





















Farshido's installation view. Yassi Foundation













installation

ITHYPHALLIC AND THE MASCULINE TRIANGLE

2021





"Ithyphallic And The Masculine Triangle" Installation

Curated by Lorenzo Bruni Represented by Behnoode Foundation The Others artfair Turin (IT) 2021

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The triangle has many meanings dating back to ancient civilizations. It is one of the oldest and most widely used symbols, so much so that many of the non-triangular symbols we use today actually derived from a triangular symbol. Triangles are used to symbolize both male and female sexes. When the triangle is pointed upwards, it is the male symbol. It symbolizes male force, fire, dominance, aspiration, and male principles. As such, an upwards triangle symbolized ambition and dominance. Eventually, it came to have phallic connotations, and the bigger your triangle was or the more triangles you have, the more of a dominant man you are. In fact, you can still see this practice being played out today.

A triangle can also symbolize that you have or are currently aiming to reach our highest point in life. I believe that this installation 'Ithyphallic* And The Masculine Triangle' has the same point and position in my current artistic career.

Humans have always used objects as means so the identity of the objects depended on human needs; Hence I tend to revive the independent identity of the objects and glorifying the historical value of the object and the talent of its creator. My artworks sometimes use metaphors and sometimes lead the observer toward a direct sensory connection with the pieces and toward a personal revelation through delaying the meaning. The objects inside this installation have been collected through the past 10 years.

*In art history a figure with an erect penis is described as ithyphallic.

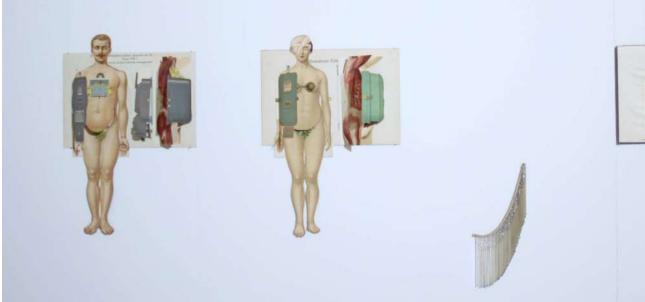


Installation view. ,Ithyphallic And The Masculine Triangle, solo presentation.

The Others Art fair, Turin (IT) 2021









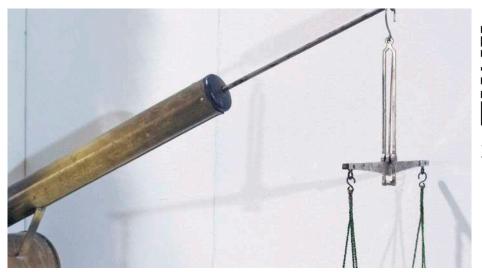








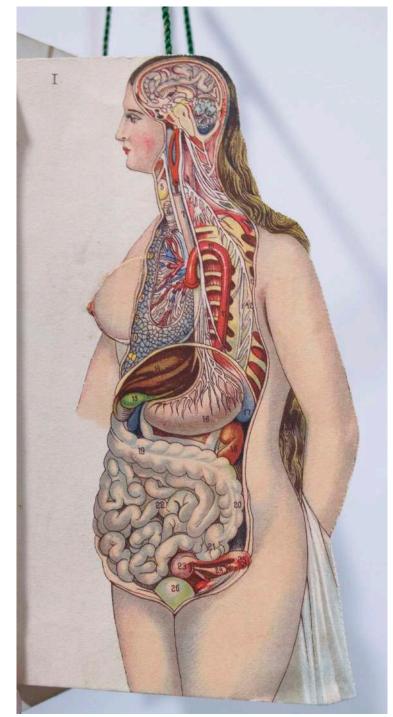






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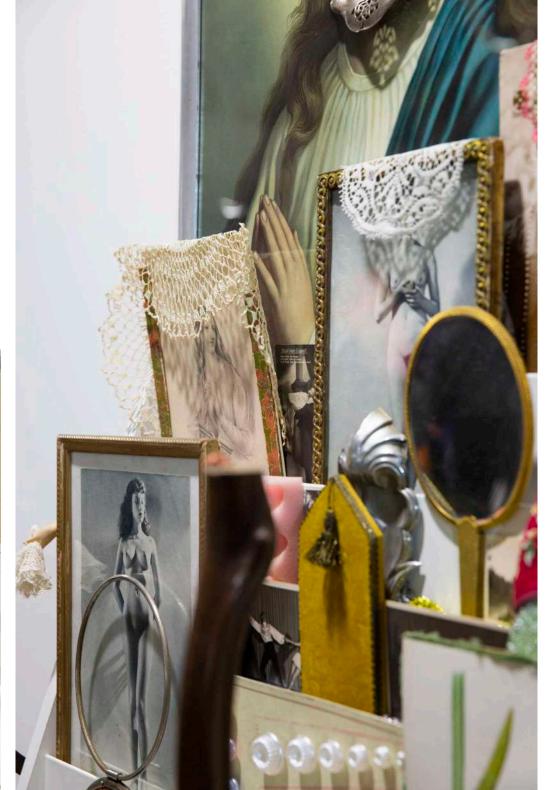


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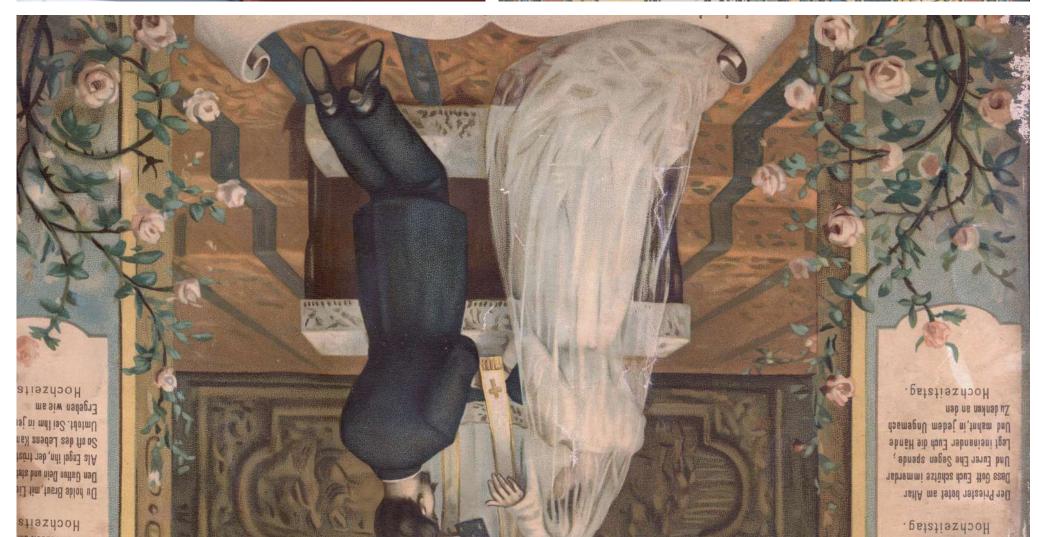






































Farshido Larimian (Babol, Iran, 1983) is an artist based in vienna with a background in chemical and petroleum engineering. Larimian completed his Diploma-studies of Fine Arts at the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna under the supervision of Prof. Gunter Damisch and Veronika Dirnhofer, and won the Academy's Würdigung's Prize for his master thesis.

Larimian's works have been exhibited at V.O Curations London (UK) in Crossing, Yassi Foundation (IR) in Flora Iranica in 2022, at The Lodge gallery Los Angeles (USA) in My very favorite things, at the Jossa by Alserkal Dubai (UAE) in Invictus, Theater am Spittelberg (AT) in Alles Hängt in der Luft in 2021; at the Fronfeste Museum (AT) in regional exhibition Salzburg (AT) at Von hier und dort in 2016, at the Palais Dorotheum (AT) in Charity auction, at Museum of Modern Art (RUS) within the third International Biennial of Young Art in Moscow, in 2012, at the Lower Austria Documentation Centre for Modern Art; St. Pölten (AT), in 2012, in Wem die Stunde schlägt, at Carbon12 Dubai (UAE), in Devision by Zero, and at Salsali Private Museum Dubai (UAE), in SHOW OFF! in 2011.

The techniques he uses range from collage to painting, from assemblage to installation, often with found objects. His works are present in several museum collections: from Museum of Contemporary art in Krakow(POL), to SPM Museum Dubai(UAE), from Fronfeste Museum (AT), Liesenfeld/Jordan(Kunstalm) collection (AT), to Kupferstichkabinett, The Graphic Collection of Academy of Fine Arts Vienna(AT).

In 2020 he recieved a working stipend from *Stadt Wien Kultur - MA 7*, and in 2023 was nominated for the *STRABAG Art-Award International*.

EDUCATIONS

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2016
       Master of Fine Arts with Distinction, under supervision of Uni. Prof. Gunter Damisch
        & AO.Univ.-Prof. Doz. Mag. Veronika Dirnhofer, Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, (AT)
2007
       Bachelor of Chemical Engineering and Petroleum (Processes Design)
        Tehran Azad University, (IR)
SOLO EXHIBITIONS | Selected
        Ithyphallic And The Masculine Triangle, Curated by Lorenzo Bruni, The Others art fair, Turin, (IT)
2021
2021
        Everything Is Up In The Air, Theater am Spittelberg, Vienna, (AT)
2018
        Director's Cut Part 01, Parallel Vienna, represented by Art Tomorrow Gallery, (AT)
2016
        All That Is Solid Melts Into Air, Mohsen Gallery -1, Tehran, (IR)
2016
        Pocket Memories, Mohsen Gallery in GF, Tehran, (IR)
2015
        As if they always belonged to each other - Part 2, Mohsen Gallery, Tehran, (IR)
2015
        Pishin, Mendes / The Vienna Globe, (AT)
2013
       As if they always belonged to each other - Part 1, Shirin art Gallery Tehran, (IR)
2013
       Present Perfect Continuous, Curated by Andrea Smolka | Road-works Vienna, (AT)
2011
        Woman, At AULA, Academy of fine arts Vienna, (AT)
2010
        Her Eternal Presence, I.L.V. Atelier, Amsterdam, (NL)
2009
       Aftabeh, Time Gallery, Vienna, (AT)
PUBLIC COLLECTIONS | Selected
Liesenfeld/Jordan Collection - Kunstalm, (AT)
Kupferstichkabinett - The Graphic Collection, Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, (AT)
MOCAK - Museum of Contemporary Art in Krakow, (POL)
Fronfeste Museum Neumarkt, (AT)
L'Atelier Camelia, (UAE)
Salsali Private Museum, Dubai, (UAE)
ACHIEVMENTS | Selected
2023
             STRABAG Art-Award International | Nomination, (AT)
2020
             Stadt Wien Working stipend , (AT)
2016
             Würdigungs Prize | Winner, Academy of fine arts Vienna, (AT)
2016
             Kunsthalle Prize | Nomination, (AT)
2014
             Wiener Mut | Selected designer and producer for the Award, (AT)
2013
             Schiller Prize for Public art | Nomination & Finalist, (AT)
2013
             3rd Annual of Contemporary Art Persbook | Special Prize, (IR)
2012
            Mistelbach Marionette Poster Competition | 2d Winner, (AT)
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