

SEBASTION HOSU

"In my paintings, memories of a natural presence emerge. The bodies and landscapes are imbued with something primordial – as if the clash of nature and culture never happened. Taking a closer look, one may notice that the landscape just as the scenery becomes the body in that they nurture each other. Thus, the hierarchy between space and figure is dissolved.

Natural spaces, among them urban places of recreation such as playgrounds, parks and leisure pools make the settings of my paintings and drawings. The figures in action are recruited partly from private photographs from family archives. However, the artistic translation is only partial. With the means of abstraction, they converge in the pictorial space until they inextricably form images in the media of painting and drawing. Dominant stylistic features come from my brushwork that makes the form and simultaneously forces it open, while my drawing and wiping technique with charcoal, recently combined with oil paint, contours and dissolves the subject in action and space. What remains of the photographic original to be identified and recognized are enigmatic body parts and physical fragments." SH

Solo Exhibitions

- 2020 In The Open » Rutger Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 2020 Out There » Josef Filipp Galerie, Leipzig, Germany
- 2019 Leisure Life » Anca Poterasu Gallery, Bucharest, Romania
- 2019 In the light of a lake [Fluid Projekt] » , Kunstverein Freunde Aktueller Kunst, Zwickau.
- 2018 Green Meat » Museum der bildenden Künste Leipzig, (MdbK) Leipzig
- 2018 Outscape » Josef Filipp Galerie, Leipzig, Germany
- 2017 Sebastian Hosu « new images » , Josef Filipp Galerie, Leipzig, Germany
- 2017 tough time », Brennecke Gallery, Berlin, Germany
- 2017 no7», with Agnes Lammert in FF15 Gallery, Leipzig, Germany
- 2016 Creating Realities », with Georg Brückmann in Rutger Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- 2016 Menschen-Träume », (artist talk with Misheck Masamvu), KAAD, Bonn, Germany
- 2015 Natural Selection », Westpol A.I.R. space, Leipzig, Germany
- 2015 Sun Outside », KAAD, Bonn, Germany
- 2015 Backstage Painting », Bükü-Galerie, Leipzig, Germany

Group Exhibitions

2019 I'll Be Your Mirror « Josef Filipp Galerie, Leipzig, Germany
 2019 Body Forms« Galerie Rundgaenger, Frankfurt
 2019 WIN WIN » The Purchases of the Kulturstiftung des Freistaates Sachsen 2019, HALLE 14- Zentrum für zeitgenössische Kunst, Baumwollspinnerei Leipzig, Germany
 2019 WAVE A LITTLE LIGHT » Spazio Natta, Como, Italy
 2019 Friendly Wave » Tête, Berlin, Germany
 2018 POSITIONS Berlin Art Fair 2018 » with Josef Filipp Galerie Booth C15, Berlin, Germany
 2018 25. Leipziger – Jahresausstellung – SILBER », Leipziger Baumwollspinnerei Werkschauhalle / Halle 12 Leipzig, Germany
 2018 Das ganze Programm » Josef Filipp Galerie, Leipzig, Germany
 2018 MashUp V » Galerie Ghosh, Leipzig, Germany
 2017 PAN Amsterdam Art Fair » Represented by Rutger Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands
 2017 Positions Berlin Art Fair », represented by Brennecke Gallery, Berlin, Germany
 2017 tough time », Brennecke Gallery, Berlin, Germany
 2017 innere notwendigkeit », MNEM SYNE Atelier Galerie, Leipzig, Germany
 2017 Paper Positions » Art Fair Berlin, during Gallery Weekend, presented by Rutger Brandt Gallery, Berlin, Germany
 2017 Art Paris Art Fair », presented by Rutger Brandt Gallery, Paris, France
 2017 Art Karlsruhe Art Fair », presented by Brennecke Gallery, Karlsruhe, Germany
 2016 Ich dachte, Sie wären nur ein armer Schlucker! », Kommunalka, Leipzig, Germany
 2016 Amsterdam Drawing 2016 » Contemporary Art On Paper, with Rutger Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands
 2016 PAN Amsterdam Art Fair » Represented by Rutger Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands
 2016 Creating Realities », Rutger Brandt Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands
 2016 Green Meat », Bipolar Gallery, Leipzig, Germany
 2016 Menschen-Träume », (artist talk with Misheck Masamvu), KAAD, Bonn, Germany
 2016 Klasse Ottersbach », Bayer-Kultur, Leverkusen, Germany
 2015 Sun Outside », KAAD, Bonn, Germany
 2015 Natural Selections », Westpol A.I.R. space, Leipzig, Germany
 2015 Painting », Triumph-Gallery, Moscow, Russia
 2015 Backstage Painting », Bükü-Galerie, Leipzig, Germany
 2014 Die Pferde sind tot! », Forum Kunst Rottweil, Germany
 2014 Galerie de Wégimont, Liège, Belgium
 2013 Drawing protest», GFZK « Galerie für Zeitgenössische Kunst », Leipzig, Germany
 2012 G.U.E.S.T.S.3 » Brussels, Belgium
 2012 Paintball », Dubois Friedland Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
 2011 Plurality » ' Académie Royale des Beaux-arts, Liege, Belgium
 2009 Animation « Obscurus » projected « 2nd Annual Toronto Romanian Film Festival », Toronto, Canada 2008 – Participant in « Animest » Festival of Animated Film, Bucharest, Romania

- 2008 Participant in « Cluj Film Festival » [Festivalul Filmului Clujean], Cluj-Napoca, Romania
2008 Participant in « International Short Footage Festival », Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Education & Residencies

- 2013-2016: Meisterschüler studies at Prof. Heribert C. Ottersbach(HGB), Leipzig, Germany
2011-2012: Master at the « Académie Royale des Beaux-arts », Painting section, Liege, Belgium
2009-2010: Bachelors degree at the University of Fine Arts and Design, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
2008-2009: Erasmus scholarship at the « Accademia Albertina di Bellearti », Turin, Italy
2007: Graduated in the High School of Fine Arts « Aurel Popp », Satu Mare, Romania

Prizes, Fellowships, Grants:

- 2021 Finalist for the Walter Koschatzky Award », Vienna, Austria
2019 The Elisabeth Greenshields Award » , Canada
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2015 1st Prize « 10. Kunstpreis Wesseling », Germany
2015 1st Prize « ArtWalk » Leipzig, Germany
2014 – 2016 KAAD Stipendium », Germany
2012 The Elisabeth Greenshields Award » , Canada
2012 Price Horlait », Brussels, Belgium
2012 Finalist Herelbeke Prijs Beeldende Kunsten, Belgium
2006 1st Prize Drawing on ecology, Satu Mare, Romania
2006 Mention in the National Painting Olympiad [Competition], Timisoara, Romania