

Capitain Petzel

MIKOŁAJ SOBCZAK

Born 1989 in Poznań, Poland

EDUCATION

- 2019 MFA Kunstakademie Münster, Germany
- 2016 MFA Academy of Fine Arts Warsaw, Poland
- 2015 Universität der Künste, Berlin, Germany

Lives and works in Düsseldorf, Germany

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Salzburger Kunstverein, Austria (forthcoming)
- 2024 *Impossible Songs*, Jester, Genk, Belgium
- 2023 *Heretics Forever*, Galerie Max Mayer, Düsseldorf, Germany
Panoramas (with Dominika Kowynia), Polana Institute at Nowy Teatr, Warsaw, Poland
- 2022 *Leibeigene*, Kunsthalle Münster, Germany
Blue Wheat, Galeria Bielska BWA, Bielsko-Biała, Poland
- 2021 *Metamorphoses*, Polana Institute, Warsaw, Poland
Galerie Gisela Capitain, Cologne, Germany
- 2018 *The Doomed Ones*, in the frames of *The Department of Presence*, Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw, Poland
Unbreakable Drag, Polana Institute, Warsaw, Poland

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 *Lines, Lives and Lies*, On The Inside, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 2023 *Illiberal Lives*, Ludwig Forum, Aachen, Germany
Risjk Open, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 2022 *Weak.End.Opera*, Shedhalle, Zurich, Switzerland
Gutsherren, MOS, Gorzów Wlkp., PL
omelette papier, Capitain Petzel, Berlin, Germany
The Discomfort of Evening, Zachęta – National Gallery of Art, Warsaw Poland
- 2021 *Illiberal Arts. Institutions, Humiliation, Rituals, Perceptibilities*, Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin, Germany
The Mudam Performance Season: The Illusion of the End, Mudam – Musée d'Art Moderne Grand-Duc Jean, Luxembourg
steirischer herbst, a festival, Graz, Austria
In the beginning was the deed, Galeria Arsenał, Białystok Poland
Battlefield, Galeria Bielska BWA, Bielsko-Biała
- 2020 *Warsaw Under Construction: Something Common*, Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw, Poland
The Kitchen, Polana Institute, Warsaw Poland
Crack Up - Crack Down, Ujazdowski Castle Centre for Contemporary Art, Warsaw, Poland
On the Politics of Delicacy, Capitain Petzel, Berlin, Germany
i'm from nowhere good, Maison Populaire, Paris, France
- 2019 *New Kingdom*, Polana Institute, Warsaw, Poland
The Last Place on Earth, Polana Institute at Museum of the Earth in Warsaw, Poland
DISPLAY. Staging Identities, Dortmunder Kunstverein, Germany
Elbow Room, Physical Education I, Kunstverein für die Rheinlande und Westfalen, Düsseldorf, Germany
Body Works, State Art Gallery, Sopot, Poland
The Rose and the Ring, Polana Institute, Petrykozy, Poland
Kurzfilmtage: Short Films Festival, Oberhausen, Germany

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- 2018 *Artists' Film International*, Whitechapel Gallery, London, United Kingdom
Wonder Woman, Polana Institute, Warsaw, Poland
Gentle Heterodoxy. Social Body and its Enchantments, ffriedrich, Frankfurt, Germany
Bad Juju, Exo Exo at New Galerie, Paris, France
Somewhere in Between: Contemporary Art Scenes in Europe., BOZAR, Brussels, Belgium
What Is Enlightenment?, Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw, Poland
- 2017 *Akademie [Arbeitstitel]*, Kunsthalle Düsseldorf, Germany
Open Triennial, 8th Young Triennale in Orońsko, Centre of Polish Sculpture, Orońsko, Poland
Love, Memory, Curiosity, Polana Institute at The Geological Museum, Warsaw, Poland
GrandTour project, Skulptur Projekte Münster, Germany
- 2016 *Wie traurig war das Shooting*, Kunstverein Gelsenkirchen, Germany
Studio for Students: Video Art Now, Studio Gallery, Warsaw, Poland
Video Folkwang, Museum Folkwang, Essen, Germany
- 2015 *Squeez me*, Satellite Space, Santa Monica, CA
(Ungeschminkte), Galerie 52, Essen; Germany
M'YΘOI. Myths. Students/Artists/Teachers. A process of exchange, Fondazione Pastificio Cerere, Rome (IT)
Videonews, Labirynt Gallery, Lublin, Poland
No pasarán, BWA Tarnów Gallery, Tarnów, Poland

PERFORMANCES

- 2024 *Rooms* (with Nicholas Grafia), Kunsthalle Wien, Vienna
It's 10PM. Do you know where your children are? (with Nicholas Grafia), *Eine Strasse*, Park am Graf-Adolf-Platz, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 2023 *Lutzi Puppe Wutzi*, 56th Steirischer Herbst, Graz, Vienna
- 2021 *Peasants*, (with Nicholas Grafia), commissioned by Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin
- 2020 *Weak Links of a Strong Chain*, (video series with Nicholas Grafia), Commissioned by Kunstverein für die Rheinlande und Westfalen Düsseldorf
Rooms, (with Nicholas Grafia), commissioned for the VII Moscow International Biennale for Young Art
Rooms, (with Nicholas Grafia), Biennale Zielona Góra, Lubuski Theatre, Zielona Góra
- 2019 *It's 10pm. Do you know where your children are?* (with Nicholas Grafia), commissioned by Dortmunder Kunstverein
Parasite Eve, (with Nicholas Grafia) in the frames of Transcorporealities, Ludwig Museum, Cologne, Germany
- 2018 *The Accursed Ones*, (with Nicholas Grafia), commissioned by the Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw

PRIZES

- 2021 The Views. Deutsche Bank Award
Zachęta National Gallery of Art, Warsaw, Poland
Paszport Polityki for Visual Arts, Poland
DAAD Preis, Germany
- 2019 ING Polish Art Foundation, Poland
The Warsaw Gallery Weekend Prize, Poland
- 2018 NRW.Bank Kunstpreis, Germany

STIPENDS / RESIDENCIES

- 2023 Art Explora, Paris, France
- 2022 Rijksakademie van beeldende kunsten, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

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PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden
Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen, Düsseldorf, Germany
Ludwig Forum, Aachen, Germany
The Perimeter, London, UK
Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw, Poland
The National Museum, Gdańsk, Poland
Galeria Bielska BWA, Bielsko-Biała, Poland
Galeria Arsenał, Białystok, Poland