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EDUCATION

2017 - 2024	Art and Time / Photography, Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, Austria, Diploma with honors
2016	Summer Academy, Class of Anna Jermolaewa and Olga Chernysheva, Salzburg, Austria
2009 - 2011	fotoK, Vienna, Austria, Diploma with honors
2003 - 2009	Architecture, TU Vienna, Austria, Diploma with honors

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2025	Steppe Scape, Foto Wien, Vienna Collectors Club, Vienna, Austria
	it comes like a river, Photo Cluster, Vienna, Austria
2024	waldein (into the forest), ada, Vienna, Austria
	Knowing where you're going can be confusing, Kunstraum Seestadt, Vienna, Austria
	Kühler wird die Sonne im Dunst des Nebels (The sun becomes cooler in the haze of the fog),
	Turmgalerie Vilshofen, Germany
2022	people cannot see well in fog, das T/abor, Vienna, Austria
	Steppe. Fragment., Red Carpet Show Room Karlsplatz, Vienna, Austria
2021	Auf dem Rücken fliegen (flying on the back), Red Carpet Showroom Altes Landgut, Vienna, Austria
	Es ist schon vorgekommen, dass Flugzeuge auf dem Rücken flogen, als sie wieder aus den Wolken hervorkamen (It has happened that planes flew on their backs when emerging from the clouds), Sehsaal, Vienna, Austria
	Der Wald und das Steppenkind (the forest and the child of steppe),
	Red Carpet Show Room Volkstheater, Vienna, Austria
	Der Wald und das Steppenkind (the forest and the child of steppe), Rotlicht Festival, Vienna, Austria
2019	Phantom. Ein Ergebnis der Apokalypse (phantom. a result of the apocalypse),
	Foto Wien, Sternstudio, Vienna, Austria
	Auf der Suche nach dem Aussen (in search of the outside), Public Domain, Vienna, Austria
2017	Parallel Vienna 2017, Vienna, Austria
	Anomalie im Raum (anomaly in space), Lokal 1, Vienna, Austria
	Take Festival, Alte Post, Vienna, Austria
	projektive Räume (projective spaces), Art Gallery, Vienna, Austria

AWARDS, GRANTS, RESIDENCIES

2026	Ottakringer Kunstpreis (Ottakring Art Award), Vienna, Austria
	Erich Grabner Prize for Graphic Art from the City of Krems, nomination, Krems, Austria
2025	Austrian Art Alumni Award, BMFWF, Austria
	START Grant, Mentoring Program, BMWKMS, Austria
2024	Nomad Spirit Residency, Nomadic Red Corner, Deren Soum, Mongolia
2023	Kardinal König Art Award, nomination, St. Virgil, Salzburg, Austria

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2026
A greenhouse with a view, NOCA, Oradea, Romania
contesting grounds, Kunstverein Baden, Baden, Austria
paper unlimited_02, musemkrems, Krems, Austria
Ottakringer Kunstpreis (Ottakringer Art Award), Kunsttankstelle Ottakring, Vienna, Austria
Touch Nature, Austrian Cultural Forum London, United Kingdom
The Forest Song, Orangerie, Palais Auersperg, Vienna, Austria

2025
Touch Nature, Museum of Contemporary Art, Skopje, North Macedonia
Vertical Horizon, Kyiv Biennal, Lentos, Linz, Austria
Smart Pictures, Foto Wien, Künstlerhaus, Vienna, Austria
Ephemere Landschaften (Ephemeral Landscapes), STEIN*STEIN, Krems, Austria
Touch Nature, Lentos, Linz, Austria

2024
Nomad Spirit, Deren Soum, Mongolia
Take two, one to send and one for you, Stadtgalerie – raumimpuls, Waidhofen/Ybbs, Austria
Parcours. Diploma works 2024, Atelierhaus, Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, Austria
Wilderness Alliances, Motherboard Artspace, Klima Biennial, Vienna, Austria

2023
Kardinal König Award, Exhibition and award ceremony, St. Virgil, Salzburg, Austria
Parallel Vienna, Kahan Art Space, Otto Wagner Areal, Vienna, Austria
in den Blick nehmen (take a look), Schlossgalerie Schärding, Schärding, Austria
gmunden.photo, Stadtgarten Gmunden, Gmunden, Austria
Honoring the Future, InterCulture, Guangzhou, China

2022
In Translation — The Contexts of Nature, Sea World Culture & Arts Center (SWCAC), Shenzhen, China
Wienwoche, agri_culture, Vienna, Austria
Hier kommt Kunst, drum 5162, Obertrum am See, Austria
Reaktion und Aktion, Lowland, Stuttgart, Germany
Reflections on Caliban and the Witch, Foto Wien, Semperdepot, Vienna, Austria
Naturell, Foto Wien, Dessous, Vienna, Austria

2021
40 Jahre Fotogalerie Wien, Fotogalerie Wien, Vienna, Austria
nebelweit, masc foundation, Rotlicht Festival, Vienna, Austria
Imago Lisboa, Lisbon, Portugal
The End is The Beginning, Parallel Vienna 2021, Vienna, Austria
EcoFlirt, smolka contemporary, Vienna, Austria
The Use of Landscape, Galeria Posibila, Bucharest, Romania
2007, Semperdepot, Vienna, Austria
The Use of Landscape, xhibit - Exhibitions space of the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, Austria

2020
Parallel Vienna 2020, Vienna, Austria

2019
Poison Ivy, Franz Josephs Kai 3, Vienna, Austria
Self-reflection on the process of art production, Foto Wien, Vienna, Austria
Modemomente. FotografInnen im Fokus, Landesgalerie Linz, Linz, Austria
With view to the sea, Museum of Western and Oriental Art, Odesa, Ukraine
Parallel Vienna 2019, Vienna, Austria

2018
delirious islands, öffentlicher Raum, Belgrad, Serbia
Weiß enthält alle Farben, Photon Gallery, Vienna, Austria
The Censored Exhibition, Photo City, Kopenhagen, Denmark

2017
Only Human, Austrian Cultural Forum London, London, UK
Strudelobjekte, New Jörg, Vienna, Austria
Alienation, Zigutamve Studio, Vienna, Austria

COLLECTIONS

Kupferstichkabinett, Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, Austria
City of Vienna, Austria
various private collections