

Short Biographies

Nominated Artists BC21 Art Award 2017

Judith Fegerl

Born in 1977 in Vienna. Studied at the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna (1998-2006) and at the University of Applied Arts Vienna (1999-2004). Individual exhibitions (selected): Taxispalais Kunsthalle Tirol, Innsbruck, AT (2017); 'non-specific charged ones', Galerie Hubert Winter, Vienna, AT (2016); 'phasenraum', MUSEION, Bolzano, IT (2013); 'cauter', Statement Art Basel, Basel, CH (2013); 'current reconstruction', Galerie Hubert Winter, Vienna, AT (2012); 'self', Kunstraum Lower Austria, Vienna, AT (2010); 'simulating intelligence', Kunsthalle Wien, Vienna, AT (2008). In group exhibitions, her works were shown at the Fundaziun NAIRS in Scuol, at the Kunstverein Leipzig, the Kunsthalle Wien, the 21er Haus, at the Kunsthaus Glarus, the Kunstverein and the Zeppelin Museum Friedrichshafen, at the Fine Art Society and the III. Moscow Biennial for Young Art. Fegerl was the Artist in Residence at ISCP New York, USA (2009/10), and in Copenhagen, DK (2008). She was awarded the following prizes: Graphic Prize for the region of Tyrol (2015); the Alexander Reznikov Award for Fine Arts (2010); the State Fellowship for Fine Arts, Austria (2010); a Recognition Prize for Fine Arts in Lower Austria (2008).

Anja Ronacher

Born in 1979 in Abtenau, Salzburg; lives and works in Vienna. She studied at the Royal College of Art in London (MA Photography), and at the Estonian Academy of Fine Arts in Tallinn. She also studied stage design at the University of Applied Arts Vienna. Individual exhibitions: 'The Open', Salzburg Kunstverein, Salzburg, AT (2016); 'Voice', Gallery Krinzinger, Vienna, AT (2014); 'Immateriality and Matter', Ve.sch, Vienna, AT (2014); 'Void', 21er Haus, Vienna, AT (2013). In group exhibitions, her works were shown at the 21er Haus, Galerie Krinzinger, Galerie im Traklhaus, Ve.sch and the National Museum of Mali in Bamako.

Toni Schmale

Born in 1980 in Hamburg, she lives and works in Vienna. From 1986 to 2002, she played (professional) football and then studied media art at the Academy of Graphic Arts in Leipzig. After completing her studies in Performance Art and Performative Sculpture at the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna, she graduated with a diploma in Fine Arts in 2013. Selected exhibitions: 'Oh ... Jakob Lena Knebl and the mumok Collection', mumok, Vienna, AT (2017); 'Pro(s)thesis and Posthuman Complicities', 'Painting Gallery', Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, Vienna, AT (2016); 56th October Salon. 'THE PLEASURE OF LOVE', Belgrade City Museum, Belgrade, SRB, (2016); 'TONI SCHMALE SUPEREGO', nGbK, Berlin, DE (2015); 'The School of Kyiv', Kyiv Biennial, Kiev, UKR (2015); 'Selftimer Stories', MUSAC, León, ES (2015); Moscow Biennial for Young Art, 'A TIME FOR DREAMS', Moscow Museum, Moscow, RU (2014); 'Self-Timer', Museum der Moderne, Salzburg, AT (2014); 'is my territory', Christine König Gallery, Vienna, AT (2013). Schmale received the following awards and scholarships: BALTIC Artists' Award, Baltic Center for Contemporary Art, Gateshead, UK (2017); Starting scholarship, BMUKK (2015); Prize of the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna (2013); Lenikus Scholarship (2013); Birgit Jürgensen Prize (2011).

Anne Speier

Born in 1977 in Frankfurt a. M., she lives and works in Vienna. She studied at the Städtelschule in Frankfurt a. M. (2004-2008), and at the University of Applied Arts Vienna (1999-2004). Individual exhibitions (selected): Meyer Kainer Gallery, Vienna, AT; Silberkuppe, Berlin, DE; Galerie der Stadt Schwaz, Tyrol, AT; What Pipeline, Detroit, USA; Neue Alte Brücke in Frankfurt a. M., DE; Vilma Gold, London, GB; HHDM, Vienna, AT. Group exhibitions (selected): Kunsthalle Lüneburg, Künstlerhaus Bremen; Mavra, Paris; mumok, Vienna; Gaudel de Stampa, Paris; Mot International, Brussels; Garret Grimoire, Vienna; Curated by ..., ... Veit Loers, Galerie Thoman, Vienna; Black Bridge Off, Beijing; What Pipeline, Detroit; The Composing Rooms, Berlin.