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* 1981 in Pindamonhangaba, BR
Lives and works in Zurich, CH
Father of two

Education

2007 - 2011

Bachelor's degree at FHNW Basel, CH, Institute of Arts,
Class of Jürg Stäuble, Dr. Roman Kurzmeyer and Muda Mathis

2009 - 2010

Erasmus at the Staatliche Akademie der Bildenden Künste Stuttgart, DE,
Institute of Arts Classes of Birgit Brenner, Christian Jankowski and Rainer Ganahl

Solo and two-person Exhibitions

2023 (upcoming) Solo Show, Galerie Nagel Draxler, Köln, D

Diplomatic Immunity, MASI, Lugano, CH

Entropy Crib, PHILIPPZOLLINGER Gallery, Zürich, CH

2022 sadnest, Solo Show, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, New York, US

Environmental Hangover, Kunsthalle Basel, Basel, CH

2020 Tooth of a Giant, PHILIPPZOLLINGER Gallery, Zürich, CH

Termite Terminators, Marc Selwyn Fine Arts, Los Angeles, US

Sour Ground, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, US

2019 Verwaschen, Galerie Nagel Draxler, Berlin, DE

A curbin wall of debris \landfilling, Kunsthalle Langenthal, CH

Terra Quente, LongTang, Zürich, CH

A curbin wall of debris \nesting, Centre Culturel Suisse, Paris, FR

Wip Ymbe, PHILIPPZOLLINGER Gallery, Madulain, CH

2018 Breastfed Tadpole, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, New York, US

Nagel Draxler Diko-Reisen, Cologne, DE (together with Jan Kiefer)

2017 Fábula, Frisson, Melancolia, Instituto Tomie Ohtake, São Paulo, BR
(together with Tiago Tebet and Marcelo Cipis)

Dobrar de Espinho, Anzol, Murias Centeno Gallery, Porto, PT

2016 Irmão dos Homens Todos, David Dale Gallery, Glasgow, UK
(together with Mauro Cerqueira)

Ovo por Olho, Unsere Umwelt Gallery, Basel, CH

The Horse Who Drunk Beer, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, New York, US

2013 Novos Amigos, CCSP, São Paulo, BR

Gringo, Mendes & Wood DM, SP, BR

Tropical, Dortmunder Kunstverein, Dortmund, DE

2012 Not the New, Not the Old, But the Necessary,

Künstlerhaus Stuttgart, Stuttgart, DE

Hotel Palenque at Gasconade, Milano, IT

(Swiss Institute's Bureau for Art Nerds)

Problems, Kunstraum Kreuzlingen, Kreuzlingen, CH

(together with Raphael Linsi)

2011 Back Wall Project, Kunsthalle Basel, Basel, CH

Outsiders, SALTS, Birsfelden, CH

supercalifragilisticexpialidocious, Deuxpiece, Basel, CH

Group Exhibitions

2023 (upcoming) TBA, Galeria Jaqueline Martins, São Paulo, BR

GIFT, Froh Uusicht, Samstagern CH

A City Beyond: Rethinking Co-Habitation AIA, Zürich, CH

Chrysalide Le rêve du papillon, Centre d'Art Contemporain Genève, CH

2019 Masks, Aargauer Kunsthau, Aarau, CH

Perfume of Thorns, Phillips Paris, FR

Auf dem Weg zum Motiv, Galerie Klaus Gerrit Friese, Berlin, D

Reset, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, New York, US

2018 Open Agenda, Blank Projects gallery, Cape Town, ZA

Zeitspuren, The power of now, Centrepasquart, Biel, CH

20 Jahre Kunstraum Riehen, Kunstraum Riehen, Basel, CH

2017 Group show, Blank Projects gallery, Cape Town, ZA

Sculpture Park Cologne, DE

Ex Situ - Samples of Lifeforms, Copenhagen Contemporary, DK

Proxysm of Union, Kunsthalle Freeport, Athens, GRC

Camaléonica, CACP Coimbra, PT

Look, all this is fraud, Milieu, Bern, CH

2016 ROY DA PRINCE, FUTURA, Prague, CZ

Haus #99, Basel, CH

Dead Among The Dead!, Ellis King Gallery, Dublin, IE

Prière de Toucher, Tinguely Museum, Basel, CH

2015 Courtesy of SALTS, SALTS, Birsfelden, CH

Tableau, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, New York City, US

FULL HOUSE, Shanaynay, Paris, FR

Môtiers 2015 - Art en plein air, Môtiers, CH

Moves and Countermoves, CCS Bard Hessel Museum of Art, US

Jac Leirner, Albert Baronian Gallery, Brussels, BE

Nimm's mal easy, Ausstellungsraum Klingental, Basel, CH

2014 Union, Union Pacific Gallery, London, GB

Tell Me What I See, When I Look Into Your Eyes, BolteLang, Zürich, CH

2013 Come, all ye faithful!, Florian Christopher, Zürich, CH

Give me Shelter, GGG Atelierhaus, Basel, CH

Mitologias por procuração, MAM-SP, São Paulo, BR

Wet-on-Wet, Gallery Florian Weingrüll, Karlsruhe, DE

Club des Sous l'Eau, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, FR

The Sunday Curators, SWG1 Gallery, Glasgow, UK

THE BODY IS THE MEDIUM, Curatorial Lab SP-Arte, São Paulo, BR

2012 Les Urbaines Art Festival, Lausanne, CH

LOT, Cul de Sac, London, GB

Plattform 12, Kunstwollen, Zurich, CH

If I had eight hours to chop down a tree (...), Kunstraum Riehen, Riehen, CH

2011 Mitologias I Mythologies, Cité des Arts, Paris, FR

Cantonale Berne Jura, Kunsthalle Bern, Bern, CH

Cantonale Berne Jura, Stadtgalerie Bern, Bern, CH

Regionale 12, Kunstraum L6, Freiburg, DE

How to Work (more for) Less, Kunsthalle Basel, Basel, CH

Floor Wall Piece, Von Bartha Garage, Basel, CH

7, Kunstverein Duisburg, Duisburg, DE

2010 Regionale 11: Village Cry, Kunsthalle Basel, Basel, CH

Rundgang 2010, Staatliche Akademie der Bildenden Künste, Stuttgart, DE

Blokkade, Universal Cube, Leipzig, DE

1. Salão dos Artistas Sem Galeria, São Paulo, BR

2009 Regionale 10, Kunstverein Freiburg, Freiburg, DE

2008 The line is a lonely hunter, New Jerseyy, Basel, CH

Fairs

- 2022 NADA Miami, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, Miami, US
Artissima, Galerie Nagel Draxler
Zona Maco, PHILIPPZOLLINGER Gallery, Mexico City, MEX
- 2021 Art Basel Parcours, Basel, CH
- 2020 Armory Show, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, NYC
- 2017 Art Cologne, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, Cologne, DE
- 2016 NADA Miami, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, Miami, US
CODE Art Fair, Copenhagen, DK
- 2015 NADA Miami, Kai Matsumiya Gallery, Miami, US

Publications

- 2019 Cahiers d'Artistes, Pro Helvetia (Edition Periferia)
- 2020 Maske - in der Kunst der Gegenwart, Scheidegger & Spiess
- 2017 La Fin de Babylone KölnSkulpture9, Walter König Verlag
- 2012 Not the old, not the new, the necessary, Argobooks
- 2010 Let's Art - Ein Jahr Pedro Wirz, Edition Taube

Awards / Scholarship

- 2023 Bally Art Awards
- 2022 Winner of the Art and Architecture competition, Zürich, CH
NanoArts Research Grant
The Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant
- 2021 Pro Helvetia Research Trip - Amazon Rainforest
- 2020 Gramercy International Prize of the Armory Show, NYC
- 2019 Winner of the Art and Architecture competition, Zürich, CH
- 2018 Pro Helvetia Cahiers d'Artistes
- 2017 Young Academy, Akademie der Künste, Berlin, DE
- 2016 Artist in Residence, Swiss Institute Rome, Rome, IT
- 2015 Swiss Art Awards, Basel, CH
- 2014 Artist in Residence, IAAB Exchange Program, Residency Unlimited, NYC, US
- 2013 Swiss Art Awards, Basel, CH
- 2012 Werkbeitrag, Kunstcredit der Stadt Basel, Basel, CH
Artist in Residence, Post Studio Tales, Berlin, DE
Peter-Hans-Hofschneider-Preis, Kunststiftung Baden-Württemberg, Stuttgart, DE
- 2011 Artist in Residence, IAAB Exchange Program, Cité des Arts, Paris, FR
GGG Atelierhaus, 2 years subsidized atelier, GGG Basel Foundation
Swiss Art Awards (Kiefer Hablitzel), Basel, CH
- 2010 Prize for publication on contemporary art, Biennial Foundation, São Paulo, BR
Prize for Brazilian artist abroad, Biennial Foundation, São Paulo, BR
Patronage for young swiss artists, Kunsthalle Basel, Basel, CH

Teaching Assignments / Talks

- 2023 Artist Talk - Lecture series «Design Ecologies», Zürcher Hochschule der Künste
- 2022 Kunstforum Zürich - Artist Talk, schwarzescafé Luma Westbau
- 2021 Zürcher Hochschule der Künste - Workshop on Construction/Sculpture
Lucerne School of Art and Design - Jury member (Bachelor)
- 2019 Art & Science Talk (Zürich ArtWeekend) - Artist Talk
Haute école d'art et de design (HEAD), Geneva - Jury member (Bachelor)
Institut Kunst Gender Natur, Basel - Workshop on portfolio preparation
- 2013 Istituto Europeo di Design, São Paulo - Workshop on portfolio preparation
- 2012 Staatliche Akademie der Bildenden Künste Karlsruhe - Interim critique

Curatorial Projects

- 2016 PANORAMA BOA VISTA, Porto, PT
(with Raphael Linsi)
- 2014 - on going Postcodes (with Gabriel Lima)
Kind, Coletor, São Paulo, BR
Soft, Casa do Povo, São Paulo, BR
postcodes.com.br
- 2013 Wet-on-Wet, Galerie Weingrüll, Karlsruhe, D
- 2012 the work found me, Gallery Samy Abraham, Paris, FR
- 2011 If I had eight hours to chop down a tree, I'd spend six sharpening
my axe, Kunstraum Riehen, Riehen, CH
- 2009 - 2011 the forever ending story
(with Raphael Linsi, Claudio Vogt and Tilmann Schlevogt)
theforeverendingstory.com
- 2009 - 2010 Deuxpiece
(with Noëmi Denzler)
deuxpiece.com
- 2008 Wirtshaus im Schalter
(with Raphael Linsi)
schalter.tk
- 2007 Wirzhaus
(with Raphael Linsi und Luiz Albisser)
myspace.com/wirzhaus

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