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AWARDS / GRANTS

2021

The Kraszna-Krausz Photo Book Award - for book Dream is Wonderful, Yet Unclear

Cultural Endowment of Estonia - six-month Artist Fellowship

2020

Cultural Endowment of Estonia - grant for a solo exhibition

A Woman's Work: Creative European Programme - grant for exhibition & publication with Gallery of Photography Ireland

Cultural Endowment of Estonia - grant for a book publication

British Council in Estonia - grant for publication & launch of the artist book Dream Is Wonderful, Yet Unclear

2018

Aperture First Photobook Award - shortlisted with the book You can call him another man

Runner-Up Award - FOKUS Video Art Festival, Denmark

European Cultural Foundation - STEP Travel Grant

Cultural Endowment of Estonia - grant for a book publication

2017

University of Michigan-Dearborn - bursary for a collaborative research project with Assistant Prof. Anna Muller

British Council in Estonia - grant for solo exhibition and its public programme at NART

Cultural Endowment of Estonia - grant for production a solo exhibition at NART

2016

Gasworks & Triangle Network Fellowship for a new work research at Kooshk Residency, Iran

UNSEEN Dummy Award - shortlisted with the book You can call him another man

Self-Publish Riga Dummy Award - shortlisted for Top 10 with the book You can call him another man

LATENT Award in collaboration with D.O.O.R. & Materia - shortlisted

Cultural Endowment of Estonia - fellowship for the research and work development at NART

Estonian Gambling Tax Council Grant - grant for production of a new work with a local community at NART

2014

GTKE / Samuel Harn Museum - grant for production of a new work for the exhibition he, she, me

2013

The Title Art Prize by Blank Media Collective, UK - shortlisted

2010

PMI2 Award of British Council - bursary for research and work development in India

2009

British Council in Estonia - grant for a solo exhibition at ArtDepoo

2008

PMI2 Award of British Council - bursary for research and work development in India

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023

Loose photos, Odds and Ends - Estonian National Archive (May-August)

Loose photos, Odds and Ends - Võrumaa Museum

2022

Loose photos, Odds and Ends - KUMU Art Museum, Estonia

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When the world blows up, I hope to go dancing - Finnish Museum of Photography

2020

When the world blows up, I hope to go dancing - Art Hall Gallery, Tallinn Estonia

Dream is Wonderful, Yet Unclear - Sirius Art Centre, Ireland (cancelled due to covid-19)

Dream is Wonderful, Yet Unclear - Photography Gallery Ireland (cancelled & presented online due to covid-19)

Dream is Wonderful, Yet Unclear - Lithuanian Gallery of Photography, Lithuania

2019

Dream is Wonderful, Yet Unclear - Latvian Museum of Photography, Riga, Latvia

Test Shooting - Digital Art Space, CBS, Copenhagen, Denmark

2017

Dream is Wonderful, Yet Unclear - Narva Art Residency, Estonia, curate by Liisa Kaljula

I just knew... She's been with me ever since - WOAK Gallery, Bialystok, Poland

You can call him another man - Kaunas Photography Gallery, Lithuania

2015

Interiors - The Auckland Photo Festival, New Zealand

2010

Transformation - Narva Art Gallery, Estonia

2009

Call Me Early - ArtDepoo Contemporary Art Gallery, Tallinn Estonia

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023

The annual exhibition - Tallinn Art Hall, Estonia

Look at me! Listen to me!- Tartu Art Museum, Estonia

2022

Decolonial Ecologies - The Latvian Centre for Contemporary Art, Riga Art Space, Latvia

Women on the move - F3 freiraum für fotografie, Berlin Germany

2021

My problem is a woman's problem - Fabryka Sztuki w Łodzi, Poland

(Self-)opinion - Tartu Art Museum, Estonia

2020

Patterns: Kreenholm textile design 1963-2005 - Estonian Museum of Applied Art and Design

2019

First Feminnale of Contemporary Art - Museum of Fine Arts, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

May My Voice Now - curated by Elena Zaytseva, Pushkin House, London

Industrialised - curated by Alex Zawadski, Blackburn Museum and Art Gallery

Photobooks from Baltic States - curated by Evita Goze, Belgrade, Serbia

2018

Field/s ONE - Sluice HQ Art, London, UK

Riga International Biennial of Contemporary Arts - curated by Katerina Gregos, Latvia

Transformations - 44 Gallery Contemporary Photography, Bruges, Belgium

Narratives alongside Him - curated by Gintarė Krasuckaitė, Kaunas Photography Gallery, Lithuania

To J. Alfred Prifrock - curated by Indu Antony, Bangalore, India

2017

Dark Rooms: Photography and beyond - 44 Gallery Contemporary Photography and PAK, Bruges, Belgium

INTERGENFEM - organised by Desperate Artwives, London, UK

he, she, me - an exhibition of two with Tomek Zerek, Oloman Gallery, Detroit, USA

UNA Y OTRA (One And Another) - curated by Rodrigo Orrantia, Espacia El Dorado, Bogotá, Colombia

Hatched - The North Wall Gallery, Oxford, UK

The Censored Exhibition - Copenhagen Photo Festival, Denmark

Leboudoir 2.0 - Arles, France

Circulation(s) on theme Feminine - Voies Off, Arles, France

2016

Marry Me - One Goa Festival, India

VISION 20/20 - Knowle West Media Centre, Bristol, UK

Between the lines: artists' books - curated by Archipelago, London, UK & at Materia gallery, Rome, Italy

Ouvrage - curated by Archipelago, Twenty14 Contemporary, Milan, Italy

The Photobooks Exhibition - Athens Photo Festival, Greece

Home for Two Days - curated by Chinar Shah, Home Sweet Home, Ahmedabad, India

FATHOM Residency exhibition - Four Corners Film, London, UK

2015

The Space Around Me - curated by Tiiu Talviste, Tartu Art Museum, Estonia

LOOK/15: Exchange - curated by Anna Fox, Tate Liverpool, UK

2014

Traces: Contemporary Baltic Photography - Budapest Centre of Architecture, Hungary

Fotokunstimess - Tallinn, Estonia

Celebrating Europe - Kaunas Photography Gallery, Lithuania

Walls - curated by Elena Zajtseva, Pushkin House, London, UK

he, she, me - Samuel Harn Museum, Gainsville, USA

The Interior (PIX Quarterly 8) - Galerie Max Mueller, Mumbai, India

Family - Guernsey Photo Festival, UK

2013

The Title Art Prize - Blank Media Collective, Manchester, UK

MAPS show - Ambika P3, London, UK

Contested Frequencies: The Position of a Woman - EBRD, London, UK

2012

United Art Fair - New Delhi, India

FAUST II - Photomonth Festival, Budapest, Hungary

The World in London - The Photographers' Gallery, London, UK

Joyful Archipelago – curated by Olga Grotova, Yinka Shonibare's Project Space, London, UK

Travelling Light - Foyer Gallery, NID, Ahmedabad, India (curator)

2011

Sunny Side Up - Margate Photo Festival, UK

Travelling Light - Foyer Gallery, Farnham, UK (curator)

Home-Made / Dialects4 - Pushkin House, London, UK

2010

Distant Closeup - Going global 4 conference of British Council, V&A Museum, UK

Fresh Faced & Wild Eyed - The Photographers' Gallery, London, UK

2009

New Contemporaries - Fairfields Art Centre, Basingstoke, UK

Memory and Migration - Wall Gallery, Oldknows Studios, Nottingham, UK

London Art Book Fair - with bookRoom, Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK

Itchy Scratchy - curated by Jason Evans, Permanent Gallery, Brighton, UK

Eclectic - Old Truman Brewery, London, UK

Open Salon - The Viewfinder Photography Gallery, London, UK

SCREENINGS

- 2023 The Rencontres Internationales de Paris/Berlin
- 2023 Videocity, curated program by by Dr Andrea Domesle, Basel, Switzerland
- 2023 Art Viewer: A Piano Played By Ear curated by Paola Paleari
- 2022 Spiral Bound at Von Krahl Cinema by The Estonian Centre for Contemporary Art
- 2021 ARSi Film Festival, Estonia
- 2020 VAFT: Visual Art Festival Turku, Finland
- 2020 Digital Art Space, CBS, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2019 TEDx Abay St Women, Kazakhstan
- 2019 Critical Tourism Studies Conference VIII, Spain
- 2018 Luminocity Video Art Festival, Canada
- 2018 Transcending species, Transcending gender, Transcending nations. curated by Natalia Skobeeva, Deptford Cinema, UK
- 2018 FOKUS Video Art Festival, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2017 NexT Film Festival, Bucharest, Romania
- 2017 Berlin Feminist Film Week, Germany
- 2017 Moving Image at ORGAN VIDA, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2016 Bomb Factory's Second Artist Film Festival, London, UK
- 2016 OPEN'16 Moving Image at Brighton Photo Fringe, UK
- 2016 F_Festival, Dublin, Ireland
- 2015 Month of Photography, Minsk, Belarus

PUBLICATIONS

ARTIST BOOKS

- 2020 Dream Is Wonderful, Yet Unclear, Milda Books
- 2018 You can call him another man, Kaunas Photography Gallery

OTHERS

- 2023 Vikerkaar 7/8, 2023 selection of texts
- 2023 Your Time is My Time, Annika Toots & Merilin Talumaa, Mousse Publishing and Roots to Routes
- 2022 Photography A Feminist History, Emma Lewis, Tate Publishing & Ilex
- 2021 A Global History of Women Photographers, (English Edition), Eds. Luce Lebart Marie Robert, Thames & Hudson
- 2021 <u>Contemporary Ukrainian and Baltic Art. Political and Social Perspectives, 1991-2021</u>, ed. Svitlana Biedarieva, ibidem Press
- 2020 <u>A Global History of Women Photographers</u>, Eds. Luce Lebart Marie Robert / *Une histoire mondiale des femmes photographes*, Textuel (in French. Contribution as an author of an article)
- 2020 <u>Russian Artists Abroad, 1970-2010 years</u>. Ed. Starodubtseva / Русские художники за рубежом, 1970-2010-е годы. Автор-составитель: Стародубцева, БуксМАрт (in Russian)
- 2017 Cosmic Shift: Russian Contemporary Art Writing, Eds. Zaytseva & Anikina, ZED Books
- 2012 A Joyful Archipelago, Ed. Grotova, Guest Projects / Sunbury House

RESIDENCIES

- 2023 BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Arts, UK
- 2020 Laznia Centre for Contemporary Art, Gdansk, Poland
- 2017 Narva Art Residency, Estonia
- 2017 Kaunas Photography Gallery, Lithuania
- 2016 Kooshk Art Residency led by Rybon Art Centre, Tehran, Iran
- 2016 Narva Art Residency, Estonia
- 2015 FATHOM Residency at Four Corner & Film, supported by Arts Council England, London, UK

2014 Bridge Guard Art Residency, Štúrovo, Slovakia

2012 HIAP: TOKAMAK Residency, Finland

COMMISSIONS

2022 Kumu Art Museum - Loose Photos, Odds and Ends exhibition

2018 Aspex Gallery: PONToon project - a collaborative work with a group of local women

2017 Open Eye Gallery: Culture Shifts - a community project with a group of women

2016 Knowle West Media Centre: VISION 20/20 - a new work for the 20th anniversary exhibition

2014 Harn Art Museum & University of Florida: he, she, me - a new work for the exhibition

2012 The Photographers' Gallery - a portrait commission for the project *The World in London*

COLLECTIONS

Fotomuseum Winterthur Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art Museum of Feminist Art (MoFA) Tartu Art Museum

EDUCATION

2021- PhD Candidate, practice-based, Estonian Academy of Arts

2015 PGC in the Creative Arts Education University for the Creative Arts, UK

2013 MA Photographic Studies University of Westminster, UK

2009 BA (Hons) Photography University for the Creative Arts, Farnham UK

2000 BA (Hons) Economics and Business Administration University of Tartu, Estonia

TEXTS / INTERVIEWS

2022

SIRP: a review of the solo exhibition at Kumu by Dr Ingrid Ruudi (in Estonian)

Eesti Päevaleht newspaper: a review of the solo exhibition at Kumu by Johanna Jolen Kuzmenko (in Estonian)

Sirp - an article by Ketlin Käpp (in Estonian)

2021

Art Fervour - an article 'Photography - Self-Publishing, Part III'

Photomonitor - a book review by Paul Boyling

The Photographers' Gallery for The Kraszna-Krausz Book Award – online conversation with Sunil Gupta and Monica Allende

British Journal of Photography - an article about The Kraszna-Krausz Award

Helsingin Sanomat – an article by Sini Mononen about the solo exhibition at Finnish Museum of Photography

Arterritory – an interview by Elnara Taidre (in English)

2020

Arterritory - an interview by Elnara Taidre (in Russian)

Collector Daily - a review of the book by Blake Andrews

Sirp (Estonian cultural newspaper) - a review of the solo exhibition by Reet Varblane (in Estonian)

Sirp (Estonian cultural newspaper) - a review of the book by Elnara Taidre (in Estonian)

Postimees (Estonian national newspaper) - a review of the solo exhibition by Sveta Grigorieva (in Estonian)

Postimees (Estonian national newspaper) - an interview by Maria Arusoo and Sten Ojavee (in Estonian)

Müürileht (Estonian cultural newspaper) - an interview with Annika Toots and Merilin Talumaa (in Estonian)

ERR (Estonian National Broadcasting) - a review of the solo exhibition by Grete Tiigiste (in Estonian)

Estonian Art magazine (1/2020) - an article collaboratively with Linda Kaljundi

The Irish Times - an article by Aidan Dunne

GUP Magazine - an article by Linda Zhengova

FLOAT magazine - a feature of the book Dream is Wonderful, Yet Unclear

YET magazine - a feature of the book Dream is Wonderful, Yet Unclear

Calvert Journal - an article by Liza Premiyak

Birds in Flight magazine - an article by Lyolya Goldstein (in Russian)

OBJEKTIV magazine: a feature of the book Dream is Wonderful, Yet Unclear

2019

<u>Unknown Gallery</u> - a feature of the work *You can call him another man* (in Russian)

Human Sites of Memory: The Story isn't Simple by Colin Pantall

FK Magazine - a review of the solo exhibition by Santa Remere (in Latvian & English)

2018

BJP - a feature of the book in Best of 2018 by Arnis Balcus, Riga Photomonth

I heart women platform: an interview by Laura Hensser

2017

KUNST.EE magazine - an interview by Liisa Kaljula

Plekktrumm (The Tin Drumm) TV program on ETV2, October 2, 2017 (in Estonian & Russian)

Твой вечер (Your evening) TV program on ETV+, September 28, 2017 (in Russian)

Postimees (Estonian national newspaper) - a review of the exhibition by Marika Agu

2016

Brighton Photo Fringe - an interview with myself and Amak Mahmoodian

vendure engraved 2016 (4) - an interview by Jez Riley French

FK Magazine: a video interview by Arnis Balcus

Eesti Päevaleht (Estonian national newspaper) - an article about the exhibition (in Estonian)

OSTSEE online magazine: an interview

Edge of Humanity magazine. an article about the work Marry Me

2015

Photoworks Annual: Women - an interview by Anna Fox

Global Archive Photography online platform - an interview by Karen Knorr

L'Oeil de la Photographie magazine - a a feature of a solo exhibition at Auckland Photo Festival

The Daily Star (Bangladesh) - an article by Anata Yusuf on female artists participated at Chobi Mela VIII festival

GUP Magazine – a feature of the series Interiors

Documenting Fashion: A Dress History Blog / The Courtauld Institute of Art - an article by Alexis Romano

2014

n.paradoxa journal, v.34 - an article by Joana Monbaron

2013

Photoworks magazine - an article Photography Family Politics by Benedict Burbridge

Re-View.org online magazine - a feature of the series A Portrait of the Artist and a Young Woman

2012

Book Behind The Image by Anna Fox and Natasha Caruana - a feature of the work One Month

2011

Krasivaya Zhizn magazine (Estonian, in Russian) - an article by Svetlana Zaitseva

2010

The shots Directory by shots Magazine and YPU - a feature of a portfolio

2009

Estonian newspapers Äripäev, Postimees, Narva Newspaper - reviews of the solo exhibition at ArtDepoo

2008

Viru Prospekt (Estonian regional newspaper) - an interview by Svetlana Zaitseva (in Russian)

Cheese, 27/2008 magazine - a feature of the work (in Estonian & English)

2006

Cheese, 17/2006 magazine - a feature and cover image (in Estonian & English)

Avenüü magazine. 3/2006 - a feature of a fashion series 2004

New Europe international publication - a featured image, Poland

TALKS / PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS

2022

Paris Photo X Elles - discussion panel on women in photography, chaired by Federica Chiocchetti

Latvian Center for Contemporary - Art Feminist and Women's Movements in the Baltics: Between Regional and Transnational Contexts

2021

Estonian Photo Museum - Artist talk

WOPHA Congress - presentation as part of a panel A World History of Women Photographers, USA

Peckham24 - chairing a discussion with Etinosa Yvonne and Nina Franco, UK

Narva Art Residency - TOK Curators's discussion: On the Verge of Post-Industrial Routine

2020

Red Zenith Collective (Poland) - online conversation

Impressions Gallery Bookfair talk - online book presentation

LCCA: Latvian Centre of Contemporary Arts - an artist talk

DocDocDoc School (Russia) - an artist talk

Conference Tolerance and mass media in a multinational region of Estonia - a book presentation

10x10 Photobooks #InstaSalon - a conversation with curator Maria Veits (TOK Curators)

Gallery of Photography Ireland - online conversation with Shoair Mavlian (Photoworks)

Critical Tourism Studies Conference VIII (Denmark) - a presentation of video work *Test Shooting*

2019

Arnolfini gallery: Huts of Memory symposium (UK) - an artist talk and discussion panel, chaired by Colin Pantall

University of the Arts Helsinki (Finland) - Prognostics lectures: an artist talk

University of Konstanz (Germany) - a discussion panel with writer Georgi Gospodinov

Leporello (Italy) - an artist talk

CBS Digital Art Space (Denmark) - an artist talk

2018

Solidarity Centre in Gdansk (Poland): an international research workshop Postindustrial Stories

NIDA: International Photography Symposium (Lithuania) - an artist talk

KUMU Museum (Estonia): a presentation at a research seminar, organised by Tallinn University

European University (St.Petersburg, Russia): a conference *After Post-photography* - an artist talk and discussion panel One School Goa (India) - an artist talk

2017

Calvert22 Foundation (UK) - a discussion panel A Feminist Perspective on Dmitri Prigov's Manifesto

Lithuanian Association of Photography - a discussion panel Photo books "off centres" and positions of female photo books publishing by ORGAN VIDA Festival

Fast Forward: Women in Photography: a research workshop at Dillon+Lee Gallery (USA) - an artist presentation 2016

Knowle West Media Centre (UK) - a discussion panel *Photography: artist, activist and innovator?*, organised by FOTONOW Four Corners Film (UK): Photoforum - an artist talk

Ryciclart (Belgium) - an artist talk

Plymouth College of Art: an artist talk at 3rd Annual Visual Culture symposium

2015

Four Corners & Film (UK): an artist presentation at FATHOM symposium at CASS

St.Petersburg State Institute of Culture & Arts (Russia) - a paper presentation at *After Post-Photography* conference Fotodepartament (Russia) - an artist talk

2014

University of Tartu Narva College (Estonia) - a presentation with scholar Karol Vanamölder at the conference *Narrated towns* 2013

Red Gallery (UK) - a discussion panel The Archive and Fiction, chaired by Federica Chiocchetti

The Photographers' Gallery - an artist presentation My Favourite Photo

2012

National Institute of Design - a paper presentation at CHHAYA International Photography conference

TEACHING

- 2020-2021 Visiting Lecturer Estonian Academy of Arts, Estonia
- 2012-2021 Associate Lecturer in Photography (MFA&BA) University for the Creative Arts (UCA), Farnham, UK
- 2021 Mentor for emerging artists UZF: Office for Photography, Croatia
- 2018-2019 Tutor for the emerging artists for PARALLEL Platform
- 2016 Lecturer in BA Photography Barking and Dagenham College, London, UK
- 2014 Lecturer in BA Photography Canterbury Christ Church University, Broadstairs, UK
- 2014 Photography Tutor The Open College of the Arts, UK
- 2012 Photography Tutor Farnham Adult Learning Centre, UK
- 2009-2012 Graduate Teaching Assistant University for the Creative Arts, Farnham UK
- 2011 Event Curator for a zine workshop with young people Brighton Photo Fringe Open'11
- 2011-2012 Photography Tutor non-profit school Zoom In Photography, London UK
- 2008 Photographer in Residence the Sixth Form Farnborough College, UK

VISITING LECTURER:

- 2022 V.N.Karazin Kharkiv National University, Ukraine
- 2022 London College of Communication / UAL, London UK
- 2021 University of Sunderland, UK
- 2021 University of Westminster, UK
- 2021 DocDocDoc School, Russia
- 2019 University of Fine Arts Helsinki, Finland
- 2019 University of Konstanz, Germany
- 2019 London College of Communication / UAL, London UK
- 2019 University of Central Lancashire, Preston UK
- 2018 Wimbledon College of Arts / UAL, UK
- 2017 University of Michigan-Dearborn, USA
- 2014 University of Florida, Gainesville, USA
- 2011 National Institute of Design, Ahmedabad, India

OTHER RELEVANT WORK

- Since 2013 Fast Forward: Women in Photography: Project Manager
- 2019-2022 Narva Art Residency / NART: Advisory Board Member (voluntary position)
- 2020 Photography & Culture journal: Co-Editor of a double special Fast Forward issue (with Profs. Anna Fox & Val Williams)
- 2019 Katalog magazine: Co-Editor of the special Fast Forward issue (with Profs. Anna Fox & Jean Wainwright)
- 2017 Secondary Art School in Gdynia Judge on an international photo competition for young people, Poland
- 2014 Robert Capa Centre For Contemporary Photography Judge on an international photo and video contest, Hungary
- 2011-2012 UCA Coordinator of a series of international research workshops *Inside Out*, supported by UKIERI and in collab-

oration with International Centre of Photography and New York University (USA), National Institute of Design (India)

2009-2012 UCA - Coordinator of Educational international virtual project *Collective Body* in partnership with 7 other universities from Brazil, India, Canada, Finland, South Korea and the UK

from 2019 A member of Estonian Artists' Association since 2015 Higher Education Academy Fellow, UK