

Sophie Hirsch

Biography

Sophie Hirsch (born 1986, Vienna) currently lives and works in Vienna. From her observations of the body and posture, Hirsch explores the dynamic relationship between balance and instability, between strength, vulnerability, and tension. As in the game of Jenga, in which a series of stacked blocks sustain each other and the movement of each one affects the entire structure, the artist perceives the body as a structured organism constantly changing in order to adapt to different contexts. In her sculptures and installations, Hirsch translates the interaction of forces by using precarious and fragile materials - such as silicone, Thera-Bands, papier-mâché, polycarbonate or used shrink wrap, which only becomes durable and stable by being layered or bonded to another element.

1986	born in Vienna, Austria
2004 – 2006	The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Emphasis in photography and sculpture Accademia di Belle Arti di Brera, Milan, Italy
2006 – 2011	University of Applied Arts Vienna, Sculpture and multimedia (Class of Erwin Wurm)
2012 – 2019	lives and works in New York and Los Angeles, USA lives and works in Vienna, Austria

Exhibitions

2023	<i>Anxiety is Neutral</i> , Bildraum 07, Vienna, Austria (solo exhibition)
2022	<i>Everywhere you go there you are</i> , Galleria Doris Ghetta, Milano, Italy, (solo exhibition) <i>Parnass Room</i> , Parallel Wien, Vienna, Austria, (solo exhibition) <i>Parallel Sculpture Park</i> , Gmunden, Austria
2021	<i>Regroup, Retrace, Unfollow</i> , Galleria Doris Ghetta, Ortisei, Italy, (solo exhibition) <i>FOSTER. The Soil and Water Residency</i> , MAK/ Wien, Austria <i>you, non you, all you</i> , Sotheby's Artist Quarterly/ Wien, Austria, (solo exhibition)
2020	<i>you, non you, all you</i> , Sotheby's Artist Quarterly/ Wien, Austria
2019	<i>Codependent Interactions</i> , Zeller van Almsick/ Wien, Austria
2018	<i>Archipelago Mountain</i> , Exhibition Laboratory, Helsinki, Finland <i>Muscle Beach</i> , MQ Art Box, Vienna, Austria <i>Gay as a March Hare in Fall</i> , VBKÖ, Vienna, Austria <i>Parallel (Artist Statement)</i> , Parallel Vienna, Vienna, Austria <i>By Design</i> , Larrie, New York, United States of America <i>Waving Back: Sara Enrico & Sophie Hirsch</i> , Galleria Doris Ghetta, Ortisei, Italy
2017	<i>Structural Integration</i> , 83 Pitt Street, New York, United States of America <i>Dynamic Opposition</i> , Larrie, New York, United States of

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- 2016 *Postures, Duty Free*, Brooklyn, United States of America
- 2015 *Autokorrekt, Signal*, Brooklyn, United States of America
- 2014 *Signal at the Newd Art Show*, Brooklyn, United States of America
The Last Brucennial, New York, United States of America
- 2013 *Leave the Gun. Take the Cannoli*, Scope, New York, United States of America
- 2012 *Arte Noah*, Parkfair, Vienna, Austria
Kijang Kijangan, Sewon Art Space, Yogyakarta, Indonesia
heut schau ich mir schöne Bilder an damit ich besser schlafen kann, Projektraum Viktor Bucher, Vienna, Austria
Räumung, Artspace Palais Kabelwerk, Vienna, Austria
- 2011 *Wünschen erwünscht, handeln verlangt*, Kunsthalle Vienna
Project Space Karlsplatz, Vienna, Austria
Sophie Hirsch, 20 Projects, London, United Kingdom
Nur die Guten kommen in den Garten, Galerie beim Engel, Luxemburg, Luxemburg
Diploma Exhibition, University of Applied Arts, Vienna, Austria
- 2010 *The Old Man and the Sea*, Documentation Center for contemp. Art, Linz, AT
Shifting West, Studio Art Gallery, Capalino University, Vancouver, CA
- 2009 *Sophie Hirsch, Samuel Schaab, Tina van Duyne*, Project Space das weisse haus, Vienna, Austria
- 2008 *Oh, Please do Come in!*, Vienna, Austria
Beletage, Hektor, Vienna, Austria
Ursula Blickle Video Lounge, Kunsthalle Vienna, Austria
- 2007 *Burn Baby, Burn*, Kunstverein Ettlingen, Germany