

STEFAN NIKOLAEV

Born in 1970 in Sofia
Lives and works in Paris & Sofia
Founder of Glassbox in 1997

Education**1989 – 1994**

Ecole Superieure Nationale des Beaux-Arts de Paris, France

1992

Winchester School of Art, Winchester University, UK

Solo Exhibitions**2019**

Be Yourself No Matter What They Say, SARIEV Contemporary, Plovdiv

2018

Rien ne va plus, Michel Rein, Paris
Sculpture Project, Art Brussels, Tour & Taxis, Brussels

2017

I Walk a Labyrinth Which is a Straight Line, SARIEV Contemporary, Plovdiv

2016

Bronze, sweat and tears, Michel Rein, Brussels

2015

Business, Model, Sculpture, SARIEV Contemporary, Plovdiv

2013

If Things Are Not As You Wish, Wish Them As They Are, Galerie Michel Rein, Paris
Half-Life, SARIEV Contemporary, Plovdiv, Bulgaria

2010

Holy Spirit Rain Down, Les Eglises Centre d Art Contemporain, Chelles, France
Stefan Nikolaev, I hate America and America hates me, Galerie Traversee, Munchen, Germany

2009

NEW WORKS OLD DREAMS, Galerie Michel Rein, Paris, France

2007

Prestige, ARC Projects, Sofia, Bulgaria
Minouk Le Poisson Peintre, (1994-2005), The Crouch(klek)-art Basement Project, Sofia, Bulgaria

2006

Powerful Tips, Centre de Creation Contemporaine, Tours, France
Sickkiss, Galerie Michel Rein, Paris, France
More, Galerie Traversee, Munich, Germany

2005

Bad Lux, Zoo Galerie, Nantes, France

Come to where the Flavour is, CCA, Glasgow, Scotland

2004

My Room, Centre de Creation Contemporaine, Tours, France (C)

Balkanton, Galerie ATA (cur. Hou Hanru), Sofia, Bulgaria (C)

2003

Frontalunterricht, (with Robert Stadler) Espace Paul Ricard Paris, France

One for the Money Two for the Show, Galerie Michel Rein, Paris, France

2002

Perfect Day, Temple Bar Gallery, Dublin, Ireland

Under Reconstruction, Galerie Michel Rein, Paris, France

Ket muvész - ket kurator / Two artists - two curators, Budapest, VIII. Brody Sandor u. 15. fszt. 6. Hungary

2001

A Studio Remix Bravo Party, Gallery by night, Budapest, Hungary

2000

VTO Gallery, London, UK

Zwemmer Art, London, UK

1998

Next Stop, Kunstmuseum Thun, Thun, Switzerland

1997

Musee des Cartes. Inauguration du nouveau Musee français de la carte a jouer, Issy-les-Moulineaux, France

1994

Running with the King, Winchester Art Gallery, Winchester, UK

1990

Phone your friend, Galerie Artemide, Paris, France

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Selected Group Exhibitions**2019**

Open Art Files: Notes and footnotes, Kapana gallery, Plovdiv, organized and initiated by Open Arts Foundation (curator Vera Mlechevska) (c)

Smoke. Tobacco stories, SKLAD, Plovdiv

Pas de printemps pour Marnie, GDM Paris

2018

Art Bureau, Structura

On a clear day you can see forever, Goethe-Institut Bulgaria, Sofia

FIAC Projects, Sculptures and installations in situ during FIAC week, Paris

Sculpture Now, Credo Bonum Gallery, Sofia (curator Vessela Nozharova)

Present, Musée & Jardins Van Buuren, Uccle, Belgium (curator Michel Van Dyck)

2017

Palais Potemkine: A selection of artists who have been nominees or winners of the Prix Fondation d'entreprise, National Gallery / the Palace, Sofia, Bulgaria.

2016

Transformation, Cobo House, Hong-Kong

2015

Project Focus Bulgaria at viennacontemporary (project by Open Arts Foundation)
Variofocus – ARTISTS, curated by Iara Boubnova and Vessela Nozharova, group exhibition for Focus Bulgaria at viennacontemporary 2015, organized by Open Arts Foundation and Sariev Contemporary

2014

LUX, Le Fresnoy, STudio National des Arts Contemporains, Tourcoing, France (curator Michel Nuridsany)
Know Thyself, Institut of Contemporary Art – Sofia, Sofia, Bulgaria (curator Iara Boubnova)
Mais avant de mourir, j'aimerais savoir qui vous êtes, Cortex Athletico, Bordeaux, France
Beyond the Grid, Galerie Michel Rein, Brussels

2013

Dress up, ICA-Sofia Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria
Si l'art de la parure m'était conté, Château du Rivau, France
Walk on the Wild Side, GDM, Paris, France
Talkie Walkie, Galerie Michel Rein, Paris

2012

Suddenly Last Years, GDM Tokyo, Palais de Tokyo, Paris
A Possible History, Sofia Art Gallery, Bulgaria
Un Bel Été, Un cabinet d'amateur, Olivier Boissier LTD, Sofia, Bulgaria
Why Duchamp?, Sofia Arsenal Museum, Bulgaria (curator Maria Vassileva)
Winter-Show, Un Cabinet d'Amateur, Sofia, Bulgaria
Magnet et Antimagnet, ICA-Sofia Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria

2011

N Minutes Video Art Festival, Shanghai, China (curator Li Ningchun)
Festival AP ART 2011, Alpilles-Provence Art, France

2010

Beyond Credit, Contemporary Art and Mutual Trust, Istanbul, Turkey (curators Maria Vassileva, Iara Boubnova, Luchezar Boyadjiev)
Breaking Walls – Building Networks, Macedonia Museum of Contemporary Art, Thessaloniki, Greece (curator Iara Boubnova)

2009

Periodic table, Traversee, Munchen, Germany (curator Katalin Timar)
From Ideology to Economy. Contemporary Bulgarian Art – 20 years later, The State Central Museum of Contemporary History of Russia, Moscow (curator Iara Boubnova)
Technics, ICA-Sofia Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria (curator Iara Boubnova & Maria Vassileva)
Rideaux sur Loire, Candes Saint Martin et Montsoreau, France

2008

Le mois de l'image: L'Image fabriquée, Musée des Beaux-arts Ho Chi Minh Ville, Vietnam (curators Philippe Piguet, Nguyen Xuan Khanh et Bertrand Peret) (C)
WATCH YOUR STEP!, Sofia University St. Clement of Ohrid, Institute of Contemporary Art, Sofia, Bulgaria (curator Iara Boubnova)
Transfert, Lyon Septembre de la Photographie, BF15, Lyon, France
MoleculART, Gallery Raiko Alexiev, Sofia, Bulgaria (curator Boris Kostadinov)

2007

Promenade au Zoo, Biennale de Lyon 2007, France (curators Valerie Chatrain & Saadane Afif) (C)
Du machinique et du vivant, La Reserve, Pacy-sur-Eure, France (curator Regis Durant) (C)
Roomers, Galerie Traversee, Munchen, Germany
52 Biennale di Venezia, Bulgarian Pavilion, Italy (C)
Selest Art, 17e biennale d'art contemporain, Selestat, France (curator Philippe Piguet)
Sublimes objets / sublime objects / objecte sublime, Collections sans frontieres VI, Muzeul National de Arta Contemporanea, Bucarest, Romania (curator Mihnea Mircan) (C)

2006

Important announcement, Sofia Art Gallery, Bulgaria (curators Maria Vassileva, Daniela Radeva)
Verstehst du das? Neue-Medien-Kunst aus Sudosteuropa, Ausstellungshalle Zeitgenössische Kunst Munster, Germany

Vidéotheque mobile, special programmation of Le Plateau, espace Landowski, Boulogne, France
Transat video, Eglise du Vieux Saint-Sauveur, Caen, France
Same Same but Different, Tina b., festival of contemporary art, Prague, Czech Republic (curator Pascal Beausse)
Sol System, la Passerelle, Brest Institut Français de Barcelone, Barcelona, Spain (curators Patrice Joly, Jean Max Colard)

2005

Joy, Casino Luxembourg, Luxembourg (curators Iara Boubnova & Enrico Lunghi) (C)
Coalesce: the remix, Redux, London, UK (curator Paul O'Neill)
Parker s International Art Market , Brooklyn, New York, USA
Donumenta, Regensburg, Germany
Statement, opening exhibition, Galerie Traversee, Munchen, Germany
Ca ne se representera plus, Ecole des Beaux-arts de Rennes, France (C)
FIAC 05, Galerie Michel Rein, Paris

2004

Prosismic, Espace Paul Ricard, Paris, France (curator Evelyne Jouanno)
Self-Portrait Part 2, Galerie Michel Rein, Paris, France
Playlist, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France (curator Nicolas Bourriaud) (C)
Tonight, Studio Voltaire, London, UK (curator Paul O'Neill)
Shifting time / space, Kunstraum Walcheturm, Zurich, Switzerland

2003

Transit, Chur, Switzerland
Smoking / no smoking, Kunsthall, Rotterdam, The Netherlands (curator Benno Tempel)

2002

Double Bind, Irida gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria (C)
4th Cetinje Biennial, Cetinje, Montenegro (curator Iara Boubnova)
20/20 The show, Deptford X, London, UK
Jacques Damase collector, Passage de Retz, Paris, France
Gwangju Biennale 2002, Gwangju, South Korea
Domino party, Attitudes, Geneva, Switzerland
Arte Bologna, Bologna, Italy / VTO Gallery London, UK

2001

Double Vie, Galerie Clark, Montreal, Canada
A timely place, or, getting back to somewhere, London Print Gallery, London, UK (curator Paul O'Neill)

2000

Kunst 2000 Zurich, Switzerland, Kunstraum Walcheturm Zurich, Switzerland
Oktoberfest, VTO Gallery, London, UK
La nuit americaine, Rappersvil, Switzerland
High Fidelity, White Box, Downtown Arts Festival, New York, USA (curator Julien Fronsacq)
A Shot in The Head, Lisson Gallery, London, UK
Psycho Park, Erban, Nantes, France

1999

Nous nous sommes tant aimes, Ensba, Paris, France (C)
Vidéotheque auf zeit, Neues Museum Wesserburg, Bremen, Germany
ZAC 99, ARC Musee d Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, France (C)
Cote Ouest - Global Motion, University Art Museum, Contemporary Arts Forum, Santa Barbara, USA
Heartbreak Hotel, Thune, Switzerland
Clin d oeil, Gallery Fotohof, Salzburg, Austria
Glassbau, Soirees Nomades, Fondation Cartier pour l Art Contemporain, Paris, France

1998

Multiples, Temple Bar Gallery, Dublin, Ireland (C)
Les folies du quotidien, Neuer Berliner Kunstverein, Berlin, Germany
Vidéotheque auf zeit, kunstmuseum Bonn, Germany

Videothèque auf zeit, Medienhaus fur Kunst & Kultur, Hanover, Germany
In vitro e altro, Cabinet des Estampes, Musee d Art et d Histoire, Geneva, Switzerland
Andere sichten, In Vitro, Kunsthaus Zurich, Concept Field, Switzerland
Ascension, Glassbox, Paris, France
Messagers du XXIème siècle, exposition itinerante, Chronopost, France

1997

Ne me quitte pas, Glassbox, Paris, France

1996

Video flash, Gallery Hohenthal und Bergen, Cologne, Germany
Caravan 96, Taegu Art & Culture Hall, Taegu, South Korea (C)
The Richard Demarco European Art Foundation, Edinburgh, Scotland

1994

Pause, Duck Won Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea (C)

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Art Fairs**2018**

FIAC, group show, Michel Rein Gallery

2016

Art Cologne, group show, SARIEV Gallery

2015

Artinternational Istanbul, group show, SARIEV Gallery

2014

Viennafair, group show, SARIEV Gallery
Artinternational Istanbul, group show, SARIEV Gallery

2013

Viennafair, group show, SARIEV Gallery

2005

Art Cologne 2005, group show, Galerie Michel Rein

2004

FIAC04, group show, Galerie Michel Rein

2002

FIAC02, group show, Galerie Michel Rein
Liste 2002, group show, VTO Gallery

2001

Liste 2001, group show, VTO Gallery
Arco 2001, group show, VTO Gallery

1999

Liste 99, group show, Glassbox & Feeld

Award**2002**

UNESCO Prize for the Art, 4th Cetinje Biennial, Cetinie, Montenegro

Festivals & Special Screenings

The Screensaver / The hard-disk / The disk, Transat video, Lux Cinema, Caen, France