

NILS NOVA

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LIVES AND WORKS IN LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND.

EDUCATION

1997–2001

UNIVERSITY OF ART AND DESIGN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

2012

JURY PRIZE / PRIZE OF THE CENTRAL SWISS CANTONS

2009

SISTER CITIES RESIDENCY, CHICAGO, USA

2008

LANDIS & GYR RESIDENCY, BERLIN, GERMANY

2005

SWISS ART AWARD

2004

SWISS ART AWARD

WORK GRANT PRIZE, CANTON OF LUCERNE

CITÉ INTERNATIONALE DES ARTS RESIDENCY, PARIS, FRANCE

2002

MANOR ART PRIZE CENTRAL SWITZERLAND

2001

SWISS ART AWARD

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2026

SMOKE CLOUDS AND ELEVATION, KALI GALLERY, BARCELONA, SPAIN

ART ROTTERDAM, KALI GALLERY, ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

2025

FINESTRA APERTA, KALI GALLERY × SPAZIO SASSETTI, FLORENCE, ITALY

2024

SCHATTEN WANDEL, KALI GALLERY, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

ENDLESS SUMMER, HOSPITAL OF THE CANTON OF ZUG, ZUG, SWITZERLAND

2023

EXTENDED STUDIO, EMMEN, SWITZERLAND

2022

RIDEAU DE VERDURE, VILLA CAVROIS, MUSÉE NATIONAL, CROIX, FRANCE

RUE MALLET-STEVENSON, CENTRE CULTUREL SUISSE, PARIS, FRANCE

2021

FACING THE SUN, KUNSTHALLE MARCEL DUCHAMP – THE FORESTAY MUSEUM OF ART, CULLY, SWITZERLAND

KEIL IM RAUM, OPES, EMMENBRÜCKE, SWITZERLAND

2019

KALEIDOSCOPE – CROSS, FUNDACIÓ ANTONI TÀPIES, BARCELONA, SPAIN

2018

SUNSET ECO, HANS & FRITZ CONTEMPORARY, LONDON, UK

2017

DEVIATIONS, RAYKO ALEXIEV GALLERY, UNION OF BULGARIAN ARTISTS, SOFIA, BULGARIA

NOVA ZEMBLA IN BIKINI (WITH ERICH WEISS), HANS & FRITZ CONTEMPORARY, BARCELONA, SPAIN

FENSTER FENSTER, KUNSTPLATTFORM AKKU, EMMENBRÜCKE, SWITZERLAND

2016

ECO EL ECO, MUSEO EXPERIMENTAL EL ECO, MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

2015

INTERFERENZ, BENZEHOLZ – RAUM FÜR ZEITGENÖSSISCHE KUNST, MEGGEN, SWITZERLAND

HILFIKER KUNSTPROJEKTE, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

2014

AUSSICHT, GALERIE MARK MÜLLER, ZÜRICH, SWITZERLAND

WOHNUNG, WINTERTHURERSTRASSE 70, ZÜRICH, SWITZERLAND

2012

SPANISCHE WAND, KUNSTVEREIN HEILBRONN, GERMANY

PERSPECTIVES, ABSOLUT ATELIER, STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

2011

INVERSION, PHOTOFORUM PASQUART, BIEL/BIENNE, SWITZERLAND

2010

WALD, GÄSTEZIMMER IM TROPENHAUS, WOLHUSEN, SWITZERLAND

2009

MUNDUS NOVUS – ARTE CONTEMPORÁNEO DE AMÉRICA LATINA, 53RD VENICE BIENNALE,
VENICE, ITALY (K)

SCHATTEN VORAN, KUNSTHALLE LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

2008

THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER, KENWORTHY-BALL, VOLTA NY, NEW YORK, USA (K)

SIMILAR ENCOUNTER, LA RADA – SPAZIO PER L'ARTE CONTEMPORANEA, LOCARNO,
SWITZERLAND

2007

TIDES, AUSSTELLUNGSRAUM 25, ZÜRICH, SWITZERLAND

ZWIELICHT, MUSEUM IM BELLPARK, KRIENS, SWITZERLAND

MEMORY CONFRONTED, EDIZIONI PERIFERIA, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

2006

GEGÜBERSTELLUNG DER ERINNERUNG, COALMINE FOTOGALERIE, WINTERTHUR,
SWITZERLAND

2005

TRANSLATION OF REFLECTION, GALERIE GABRIELLE MAUBRIE, PARIS, FRANCE

SUPER NATURAL, GALERIE URS MEILE, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

2004

DEEP GREEN, LINCART GALLERY, SAN FRANCISCO, USA

SUNSET MOTORS, MESSAGESALON, ZÜRICH, SWITZERLAND

2002

NOVA – MANOR-KUNSTPREIS, KUNSTMUSEUM LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND (K)

2001

OUT OF FRAME, GALERIE URS MEILE, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

GROUP EXHIBITIONS (SELECTION)

2025

STAMINA, KALI GALLERY, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

EINTAUCHEN!, KUNSTHAUS ZUG, ZUG, SWITZERLAND

2024

TEMPO D'ORO, KALI GALLERY, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

2023

ZENTRAL, KUNSTMUSEUM LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

2021

TEMPO D'ORO, KALI GALLERY, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

LODD ART EDITION, ARTORAMA, MARSEILLE, FRANCE

2020

ALLES ECHT! WERKE AUS DER SAMMLUNG, KUNSTMUSEUM LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

LODD ART EDITION, BAR, KUNSTHALLE BERN, BERN, SWITZERLAND

BEAUTY IS EVERYWHERE AFTER BOB ROSS, MUSEUM IM BELLPARK, KRIENS, SWITZERLAND (K)

PAPERWORK, ZITRONE MANEGG, ALLMENDSTRASSE, ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

2019

SOMEONE WALKING AROUND, CYCLE OF PERFORMANCES, D.E.A.D., FUNDACIÓ ANTONI TÀPIES, BARCELONA, SPAIN

CAMERA LUCIDA, DAS WEISSE HAUS, VIENNA, AUSTRIA

2018

JAHRESAUSSTELLUNG ZENTRALSCHWEIZER KUNSTSCHAFFEN, KUNSTMUSEUM LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

SUPERSTITION, MARRES, MAASTRICHT, NETHERLANDS

TARNEN, TÄUSCHEN, IMITIEREN, ALTEFABRIK AND KUNST(ZEUG)HAUS, RAPPERSWIL-JONA, SWITZERLAND

2017

NO MAN'S LAND, HANS & FRITZ CONTEMPORARY – CODE ART, COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

THE LITTLE MATCH GIRL, HANS & FRITZ CONTEMPORARY, BARCELONA, SPAIN

2016

THE SNORING PRINCESS, SALON SCHMITZ, COLOGNE, GERMANY

SHOW ROOM (WITH BARBARA DAVI), HIRSCHENGGRABEN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

SAMMLUNG BELLPARK, MUSEUM IM BELLPARK, KRIENS, SWITZERLAND

2015

DIES ALLES GIBT ES ALSO, SPAM CONTEMPORARY, DÜSSELDORF, GERMANY

EDITION VFO, VEREIN FÜR ORIGINALGRAFIK, ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

EIN GIPFELTREFFEN DER DRUCKGRAFIK, JOHN SCHMID GALERIE, BASEL, SWITZERLAND

2014

MARKSHMALLOW, GALERIE MARK MÜLLER, ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

14TH INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE EXHIBITION – FUNDAMENTALS, LA BIENNALE DI VENEZIA, VENICE, ITALY (K)

SURFACES – NEUE FOTOGRAFIE AUS DER SCHWEIZ, FOTOMUSEUM WINTERTHUR, SWITZERLAND (K)

2013

BEKLEIDUNG, THE NEW INSTITUTE, ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (K)

THE OCEAN BEFORE ME, BÂTIMENT D'ART CONTEMPORAIN (BAC), GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

CONCRETE – PHOTOGRAPHY AND ARCHITECTURE, FOTOMUSEUM WINTERTHUR,
SWITZERLAND (K)

VIDEO LOUNGE: A SELECTION OF CONTEMPORARY SWISS AND INDIAN VIDEOS, INDIA ART
FAIR, NEW DELHI, INDIA

2012

PRIMER ACTO, MUSEO TAMAYO, MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

JAHRESAUSSTELLUNG ZENTRALSCHWEIZER KUNSTSCHAFFEN 2012, KUNSTMUSEUM
LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

2011

ZENTRAL!, KUNSTHALLE LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

2010

KOPIEN UND ZITATE, SIC! RAUM FÜR KUNST, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

100 YEARS KUNSTHAUS ZÜRICH, VIDEO SCREENING, KURZFILMTAGE WINTERTHUR,
WINTERTHUR, SWITZERLAND

AM ANFANG IST FARBE, AKKU KUNSTPLATTFORM, EMMENBRÜCKE, SWITZERLAND (K)

SCREENING – VIDEOSZENE ZENTRALSCHWEIZ, O. T. RAUM FÜR AKTUELLE KUNST,
LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

JUANNIO 2010, MUSEO DE ARTE MODERNO CARLOS MÉRIDA, GUATEMALA CITY,
GUATEMALA

FREE THE DRAWINGS: SAMMLUNG BELLPARK, MUSEUM IM BELLPARK, KRIENS,
SWITZERLAND

2009

DEFINITIONS, PHOTOFORUM PASQUART, BIEL/BIENNE, SWITZERLAND (K)

EXCUSE ME, ARE YOU FAMOUS?, INVALIDEN 1, BERLIN, GERMANY

VALSE WAND, VOORKAMER, LIER, BELGIUM

PRINTED MATTER, FOTOMUSEUM WINTERTHUR, SWITZERLAND (K)

ALL MAN-MADE, VIDEO SCREENING, TEMPORÄRE KUNSTHALLE BERLIN, GERMANY

2008

MÃO DUPLA, SESC PINHEIROS, SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

MIND THE GAP, KUNSTHAUS GLARUS, GLARUS, SWITZERLAND

2007

SHIFT FESTIVAL, VIDEO SCREENING, DREISPITZAREAL, BASEL, SWITZERLAND

ELASTISCHE ZEIT / ELASTIC TIME, HAUS FÜR KUNST URI, ALTDORF, SWITZERLAND (K)

TOP OF CENTRAL SWITZERLAND, KUNSTMUSEUM LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND (K)

VIDEORAMA, FRAC NORD-PAS DE CALAIS, DUNKIRK, FRANCE

2006

IL GIGANTE BUONO, CACT CENTRO D'ARTE CONTEMPORANEA TICINO, BELLINZONA,
SWITZERLAND

DRIVING FAST THROUGH A SLOW MOTION LANDSCAPE, CRAC ALSACE, ALTKIRCH, FRANCE,
AND ESPAI UBÚ, BARCELONA, SPAIN (K)

STOP OVER, FRI-ART KUNSTHALLE, FRIBOURG, SWITZERLAND

ZEIT, KUNSTMUSEUM LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

2005

SWISS ART AWARDS, MESSE BASEL, BASEL, SWITZERLAND (K)

2004

SENSATIONS SUISSES, PLACE VENDÔME, CENTRE CULTUREL SUISSE, PARIS, FRANCE

SWISS ART AWARDS, MESSE BASEL, BASEL, SWITZERLAND (K)

2003

MINIFESTO, LINCART GALLERY, SAN FRANCISCO, USA

SWISS ART AWARDS, MESSE BASEL, BASEL, SWITZERLAND

2002

SEE YOU AT THE PREMIERE FAIR, KONGRESSZENTRUM RAUCHSTRASSE, BERLIN,
GERMANY

BIENVENUE À ALTKIRCH, CRAC ALSACE, ALTKIRCH, FRANCE

PRINTED MATTER, FOTOMUSEUM WINTERTHUR, SWITZERLAND (K)

SWISS ART AWARDS, MESSE BASEL, BASEL, SWITZERLAND

2001

PROJEKT ZENTRALSCHWEIZ, KUNSTMUSEUM LUZERN, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

LA BELLA CONFUSIONE, KUNSTPANORAMA, LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND

SWISS ART AWARDS, MESSE BASEL, BASEL, SWITZERLAND (K)

(K) EXHIBITION CATALOGUE