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Education:

2017. - ... University of Washington, DXArt's, PhD
2015. - 2017. Academy of Media Arts Cologne, Media art, postgraduate program / MA
2013. - 2015. Liepaja University, Humanities and Arts Faculty, New Media Arts, MA
2014. - 2014. Bauhaus University, Media department, Mediakunst & Design, MA (Erasmus exchange program)
2010. - 2013. Liepaja University, Humanities and Arts Faculty, New Media Arts, BA
2005. - 2009. Riga Design and Art high school, decorative sculpture department

Publications:

"Nakotnes valsts" art catalogue, 2018 Latvia (<http://www.inmm.lv/lv/ars/medijiem/jaunumi/1638-iznacis-izstades-nakotnes-valsts-katalogs>)
"Dezeen" 16. November 2017 (<https://www.dezeen.com/2017/11/16/robotanica-exhibition-robots-good-design-bad-world-dutch-design-week-arjen-bangma-curator/>)
"Make8elive" issue 10 Woodpecker 15. April 2017, online (<https://issuu.com/make8elive/docs/m8-10>)
"Neural" review about my work Woodpecker 7 February 2017, Italy (<http://neural.it/2017/02/woodpecker-experimental-salvific-orchestra/>)
"We Make Money Not Art" August 2016, WWW (<http://we-make-money-not-art.com/the-woodpecker-could-fake-birds-save-our-forests/>)
"Transformative Ecologies, North Creative Network – for Open Innovation and Cultural Exchange"
RIXC exhibition catalog Latvia, 2016
"ARTiculaAction" interview about my work, May 2016 (<https://goo.gl/k3ID8W>)
"Revisiting Footnotes" September 2015, Latvian Center for Contemporary Art, LV
"We Make Money Not Art" August 2015, WWW (<http://we-make-money-not-art.com/archives/2015/08/aka.php>)
"UNWRITTEN" Venice Architecture Biennial Latvian catalog May 2014, LV
"Output awards 15" December 2012, NL
"Transience" Photography catalog July 2012, FR
"Output awards 14" December 2011, NL
"Dizaina Studija" design magazine May, June 2009, LV

Exhibitions:

2020. 21. Mai "AMRO" festival, online, <https://gateway.radical-openness.org/>
2020. 22. February – 1. March "Abstract Mind" CICA Museum, KR
2019. 6. July - 22. September "UN/GREEN", Latvian National Art Museum, LV
2019. 28. May - 2021 28. May MAK Austrian Museum of Applied Arts, Design Lab, AT
2018. 17. - 29. October, "Skana", Salzamt Linz, AT
2018. 11. August -10. September "KLANG", Tallinas street block, Riga, LV
2018. 6. July – 9. September "100 In Latvian Art", Mark Rothko Art Center, Daugavpils, LV
2018. 7. June – 14. September, "Jak lesy myslí / V houštině vztahů", OGV gallery, Jihlava, CZ
2018. 1. - 15. June, "Robotonica", Amsterdam Tolhuistuin, NL
2018. 20. May – 8. June "Machine Wilderness", Amsterdam Amstelpark Glazen Huis, NL
2018. 23. February – 20 May "The Future State", The Exhibition Place Arsenal, LV
2018.6. - 10. February Biennial "Experimenta", Grenoble, FR
2017.21. - 29. October "Dutch Design Week", Eindhoven, NL

2017.17. September – 2018.18. May “Robotanica”, Gallery Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL
 2017.09. September – 21. October “Data.logs”, RIXC gallery, Riga LV
 2017. 21. - 23. August, “Balance Unbalance”, Plymouth, UK
 2017. 8. - 11. June “ArtVilnius”, Vilnius, LT
 2017. 13.-17. January, “Art's Birthday Bunker Party”, Kulturbunker, Cologne, DE
 2016. 17. October – December, “Higenisti”, Liepaja Museum, Liepaja, LV
 2016. 30. September – “Science night”, Liepajas University, Liepaja, LV
 2016. 18. August – 04. September, “RAM”, RIXC gallery, Riga, LV
 2016. 01. July – 25. September, “Weather or Not”, MU gallery, Eindhoven, NL
 2016. 09. - 11. May “Balance Unbalance”, Manizales, COL
 2015. 07. Oct. – 07. November, “North. Transformative Ecologies”, RIXC gallery, Riga, LV
 2015. 19. - 30. August, “Transformative Ecologies”, Maison du Design, Monsa, BE
 2015. 12. – 28. June, “Virtuosi”, Veca ostmala 54, Liepaja, LV
 2015. 20. – 24. May, “Virtuosi”, KIBLA media center, Maribor, SL
 2015. 17. April – 17. May, “Virtuosi”, RIXC gallery, Riga, LV
 2014. 18. - 31. August, “Cafe Europe”, Spikeri Cafe Europe, Riga, LV
 2014. 09. - 21. August, “Marodatieris”, Contemporary Jurkalne, Jurkalne, LV
 2014. May – October “Venice Architecture Biennial”, Venice, IT
 2014. 09. July “Rundgang”, Bauhaus Uni, Wiemar, DE
 2013. 17. October - 24. November, “Synthetic nature”, Madona museum, Madona, LV
 2013. 23. August - 22. September, “Synthetic nature”, RIXC gallery, Riga, LV
 2013. 28. June – 5. July, “BIOS”, Ideju Bode T. Breiksa street 45, Liepaja, LV
 2013. June, “Sklandrausis”, Alejas street 18, Liepaja, LV
 2012. “Kurzemes pieturas”, LV
 - 27.08. - 30.09. Cesu Exhibition house
 - 23.07. - 26.08. Aluksnes History and Art museum
 - 09.06. - 22.07. Madonas museum exhibition hall
 - 15.04. - 27.05. Talsu regional museum
 2011. Transience at Galleria Huit Photography Open Salon, Arles, FR

Commissioned work

2016. September, interactive system designer for Latvian Cinema Museum exhibition “Film / Human / Century”, LV
 2015. August – October 3D animation for Liepaja Museum exhibition Liepaja → Halifax → New York, LV
 2015. May – October, 3 interactive games for permanent exhibition for the Lativa Nature Museum, Riga, LV
 2015. March, interactive light game co author and technical producer for “Liepaja Light Festival”, Liepaja, LV
 2014. December, 3D animation for Liepaja Museum exhibition Kurzemes people, LV
 2014. Venice Architecture Biennial, Latvian pavilion multimedia part and technical producer of installation, Venice, IT
 2013. December, 3D mountain modeling and printing for Latvian Museum of Natural History, LV
 2012. July, Park bench full production for Liepaja City Council, LV
 2012. January - May, "Island CQ" visual identity, LV
 2011. A computer game development for Latvia State Police, LV

Scholarships / Fellowships

2020 - 2021. Antoinette Wills Endowed Scholarship, USA

2020. In the Innovation Promotion Fellowship Target Program, State Culture Capital Foundation, LV
2019 – 2020. Frank L. and Catherine D. Doleshy Endowed Fellowship, USA
2017 – 2019. The State Culture Capital Foundation (VKKF) stipend for studies in Univeristy of Washington, LV
2016 – 2017. The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) founding for studies in KHM, DE

Prize

2020. UNCG International Sustainability Short Film Competition 2020, US
2020. design prize “Zealous Stories” UK

Residency:

2016. 15. - 24. September, LabVerde Art immersion Program in the Amazon Rain Forest, BR
2016. May – June, Hangar.org, Barcelona , ES
2014. August, 3D mistake printing residency, Cafe Europe, Riga, LV

Public talks:

2020. 14. June, New Media Artworks + Their Future Lives, Seattle Art Fair, Seattle US
2018. 8. February Low Tech, Biennial Experimenta, Grenoble FR
2017. 24. May, Woodpecker – Future of the Forests, META – Digital Creativity, NRW – Forum, Dusseldorf, DE
2016. 30. September, Woodpecker – Future of the Forests, RIXC Open Fields conference, Riga, LV
2016. 11. March, ReEnergy future of the electricity, Art and Science seminar in I/O Lab, Satavnger, NO
2015. 21. August, Water future and Cloud Farming in Cafe Europe 3D Biolab, Monsa, BE
2015. 22. May, Personal experience in Art at KIBLA media center, Maribor, SL
2014. 25th January, Image trans coding whit Santa Mazika and Reinis Naļivaiko in Riga Art Space, Riga, LV
2013. November, Synthetic nature and experimental audio visual union Trihars in iWeek seminar, Liepaja, LV
2013. September, Creative Organizations in RIXc Renewable Futures conference, Riga, LV
2013. July, media art experience, audio visual union Trihars in RIXc media space JMM Showcase conference, Riga, LV
2013. June, Making Generative art in Liepaja art high school, Liepaja, LV
2013. May, audio visual union Trihars and new media art experience in Iceland Academy of the Arts, festival Raflost, Reykjavik, IS

Video performances:

2020. 5. June, live performance with Trihars, "Cosmic Electronica", Great Amber, Liepaja, LV
2019. March, performance with Cameron P. Fraser, DXARTS event “Iteration”, Seattle, WA, USA
2017. July, performance with Axel Pulgar, Play festival, Dusseldorf, DE
2017. 29. April, performance with Axel Pulgar, Far OFF festival, Cologne, DE
2016. 10. November live performance with Trihars in Great Amber, Liepaja, LV
2016. August live performance in Aristrids with Toms Aunins, Riga, LV
2015. 19. August, Transformative Ecologies at Maison du Design, BE
2015. 7. August, Water pieces at Noass, Riga, LV
2014. 25. January, Graphic-s at Riga Art Space, LV
2013. 24. and 25. of May, festival Raflost, IS
2012. 6. October, Art + Communication closing event at Chomsky, Riga, LV
2012. 19. May, video performance in French Embassy, Riga, LV

2012. 20. April, band Nasty Smile album presentation concert visualization at Rock cafe, Riga, LV
2012. February, Latvian Academy of Art 74. Carnival at RedBull stage, Riga, LV