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NIKA FONTAINE

Born in 1985 in Montréal. Lives and works in Berlin since 2008.

EDUCATION

- 2013 Meisterschüler avec Werner Liebmann, Kunsthochschule Berlin
 Weissensee, Berlin
- 2008-2012 Diplom Malerei, Kunsthochschule Berlin Weissensee, Berlin
- 2006-2008 Peinture et dessin, Concordia University, Montreal

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 (upcoming) wildpalms, Düsseldorf
- 2018 *Micro-particule* Assurart, Montreal
- 2017 *Supermenschenaufladestation 3000 to go* Sox Berlin, Berlin
- 2017 *Akasha* Purple art contemporary, Berlin
- 2017 *Incognito* wildpalms, Düsseldorf
- 2016 *Heimat* Joyce Yahouda Gallery, Montreal
- 2016 *Transcendental state of grace* wildpalms, Düsseldorf
- 2015 *Nika Fontaine* Kohi Kultur Raum, Karlsruhe
- 2014 *Götter Glamor* Somos Art house, Berlin
- 2014 *Fragile After:six* gallery, Moscow
- 2014 *Fragile Preview* T-10, Berlin
- 2014 *Pimp my ride to heaven* Deutsche Bank Kunsthalle, Berlin
- 2014 *Comme un Flash* Le Livart, Montreal
- 2012 *Mein Gott es glitzert* Expo, Berlin
- 2011 *Le groupe des 12* succession de Jean-Paul Jérôme, Montreal
- 2010 *Kosmikorganismus* Galerie 0, Berlin
- 2010 *Nika Fontaine* Tempelhofer Ufer 10 10963 Berlin

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 *Aurigin* Garten 114, Berlin
- 2018 *Untitled* Miamiart fair Wildpalms, Miami
- 2018 *31 women painters* McClure Gallery, Montreal

2018 *Grâce au dessin* Art mûr, Montreal
 2018 *Grâce au dessin* Woodbury University gallery, Los Angeles
 2017 *Untitled* art fair, wildpalms, Miami
 2017 *La Hot collection du prof Tremblay* curated by Serge Murphy, Musée d'art contemporain de Baie Saint-Paul, Canada
 2017 *Canadian Art Gala*, Toronto
 2017 *Corridor III: Valdemar Daa* curated by insitu Berlin, Viborg Kunsthal, Viborg
 2017 *Spring Brunch* wildpalms, Düsseldorf
 2017 *Museum of colours* Flutgraben, Berlin
 2017 *Business as usual* kreusberg pavillon, Berlin
 2017 *Cmagazine anual auction* Toronto
 2017 *Spring break art show* Katharine Mulherin, New-York
 2017 *Là où les sentiers naissent* L'artelier, Tarbes
 2017 (duo) *Vanitas Fair* Lachenmann gallery, Konstanz
 2017 *Wildpalms brunch* wildpalms, Düsseldorf
 2016 *Untitled* art fair, wildpalms Booth, Miami
 2016 *Art Toronto* Joyce Yahouda and RBC Booth, Toronto
 2016 *RBC painting competition* Power Plant, Toronto
 2016 *TransTime* confluences, Paris
 2016 *Trans Pashion* Valencia sex Festival, Valencia
 2016 *Gallery weekend Berlin* Marmaly Project, Berlin
 2015 (duo) *Ahoy* wildpalms, Berlin
 2015 *Presenting wildpalms* wildpalms, Düsseldorf
 2015 *Berlin Bozen Connection* Studio Chrome 35, Bozen
 2015 *Private fair* SomoS Art house, Praha
 2014 *FATAL* Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin
 2014 *Nicht da/da* Moë, Vienna
 2013 *Sezzession* SEZ, Berlin
 2013 *Familienaufstellung* Uferhallen, Berlin
 2013 *Über der geistige in der Kunst* Posseidon Projekt, Berlin
 2013 *Comes in 6 Colors* Secondhome Projects, Berlin
 2013 *MachtKunst Teil 2* AlteMünze, Berlin
 2013 *Urbanfuse* getrud-Kolmar-Strasse 14, Berlin
 2013 (duo) *Aquanet* Rotes Rathaus, Berlin
 2012 *Ballungsraum* Kosmetiksalon Babette, Berlin
 2013 *Freitag der 13* Oranienplatz 17, Berlin
 2013 *Show of the week* Freie Museum, Berlin
 2013 *La collection branchée de Mr. Tremblay* Maison de la culture Frontenac, Montreal
 2011 *Tarot* Blissland, Berlin (catalogue)
 2010 *Everybody learns from disaster* Villa Elisabeth, Berlin
 2010 (duo) *Xi Xie Nung Phönix Kälte* 56 Judith Auerstrasse, Berlin
 2010 *Enchanté* Econo museum, Montreal
 2010 *Accrochage* Kunstraum Richard Sorge, Berlin
 2009 *Residenz Berlin* Galerie Bongoût, Berlin

- 2009 *Let's go est* Galerie E-105, Bonn
 2009 *Sublime Démesure* Musée d'art contemporain des Laurentides, Saint Jérôme
 2008 *Sublime Démesure* Centre national d'exposition, Jonquière
 2007 (duo) Galerie Municipal de Brossard, Brossard

PERFORMANCES

- 2018 (Acting) *Kokoon* feature movie by Leonie Krippendorff
 2018 (Acting) *Women series* art movie by Annett Stenzel
 2018 (Acting) *Prototypes II* art movie by Doireann O'malley
 2018 *Year of the women* Schwules Museum, Berlin
 2016 *Trans Pashion Catwalk* Valencia sex festival, Valencia
 2015 *Die Leere des Himmels* Ballhaus Ost, Berlin
 2014 *Concept par Ron Tran* Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin
 2012 *I walked in the forest last night* Expo, Berlin
 2012 *Knock Knock* Helmuth Kohl, Berlin
 2010 *Funeral super party* Villa Elisabeth, Berlin
 2010 *Idol* par Carlos Arroyo Galaxia, RA13, Antwerp
 2006 *Le manifeste de l'illusion cérébrale* Fashion Plaza, Montreal
 2006 *Im memoriam* Très-Saint-Nom-de-Jésus Cathedral, Montreal
 2005 *Transgression visuelle* Fashion Plaza, Montreal
 2004 *Just go with the pros* Metropolitan Museum of Art, New-York

MUSICAL PROJECTS

- 2013 *Power House Super Drive* T-10, Berlin
 2011 *D'hiver suit* music for dance piece by Lysandre Coutu-Sauvé, Ada Studio, Berlin
 2010 Music for fashion show by Martin Niklas Wieser, HBC, Berlin Fashion Week, Berlin
 2009 Conference given on my musical experiments, Collège musical, Hamburg

OTHER PROJECTS

- 2017 Limited edition shoe design for The Nou Project, Dubai
 2016 *Die Tage in L. Legende* set scene for theater piece by director Florian Hein
 2016 Text for monography for Ivo Dimchev: Stage Works 2002-2016

PRIZES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2018-2019 Sundaymorning@ekwc grant and residency, European Ceramic Work Centre (EKCW), Oisysterwijk,NL
- 2016 Honorable Mention, RBC Painting competition
- 2014 Elsa Neumann Stipendium
- 2013 Prix du jury, Macht Kunst, Deutsche Bank Kunsthalle
- 2008 DAAD, undergraduate bursary
- 2007 Millenium bursary for outstanding academic records, Canadian government
Member of Golden Key International Honor society

COLLECTIONS

Royal Bank of Canada
Deutsche Bank
Assurart

PRESS REVIEWS

Print

- 2018 *Youth Vision Magazine* #172, 01 & 02. Artist portrait by Li Zhenshua.
<http://www.youthvision.cn/about.htm>
- 2017 WeltKunst Berlin, Sammlung Köstlin
<https://www.weltkunst.de/newsroom/2017/04/christoph-niemanns-kunstgeschichte>
- 2017 “10 Artists Who Disrupt the Status Quo” by Sam Cotter. *Canadian Art Magazine* March 13, 2017.
<https://canadianart.ca/features/10-artists-disrupt-status-quo/>.
- 2017 “Nika Fontaine” by Benjamin Klein. *Bordercrossings* Vol. 36 No. 1, March 2017. <https://bordercrossingsmag.com/magazine/issue/issue-141>.
- 2017 “Auf dem Jahrmarkt der Vergänglichkeit” by Joachim Schwitzler, *Südkurier* #104. <http://www.suedkurier.de/>.
- 2016 “Trans Time.” *Les inrockuptibles* No. 1089, October 12, 2016.
- 2016 “Winnipeg Artist Brian Hunter Wins RBC Painting Competition” by James Adams. *Globe and Mail* September 21, 2016.
<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/arts/art-and-architecture/winnipeg-artist-brian-hunter-wins-rbc-painting-competition/article31982572/>
- 2016 “Nika Fontaine bei wildpalms.” *Rheinische Post* June 23, 2016.
<http://www.rp-online.de/>
- 2014 *ArtGuide Moscow/St.Petersburg* September 15 – November 15, 2014.
- 2014 *DB-ArtCard mag* 2014. p.23. Mentions Macht Kunst Prize winners.
<http://art.db.com/artcard/de/index.html>
- 2014 “The Power of Art.” *DB Art Mag*. Photo montage of winners of the Macht Kunst Prize. <http://db-artmag.de/>.
- 2009 “Alain Tremblay Collectionneur” by Jean-François Caron. *Vie des Arts*

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<https://www.erudit.org/en/journals/va/2008-v52-n213-va1095920/58753ac/>.

Books

- 2015 *MOE Schaukasten I-XI*. Wien: Edition Farce Vivendi, 2015.
- 2014** Krumnilk, Kevin. *Ten words and one shot, volume 4*. 2014. Book is one of a series published by the author, representing compilations of an online project that paired photos of artist studios with ten words.
<https://tenwordsandoneshot.com/nicolas-fontaine/>.

Online

- 2017 “Nika Fontaine” by Lukas von Monkiewitsch, *Stusu* 2017. Video studio visit interview. <http://www.stusu.com/studio-visits/nika-fontaine>.
- 2017 “What About Taste? The Deconstruction of Prejudice in Nika Fontaine's Art” by Thorsten Schneider. *Widewalls* April 24, 2017.
<http://www.widewalls.ch/nika-fontaine-art/>
- 2017 “Nika Fontaine ‘Incognito’” by Jorge Sanguino and Alex Meffert. *The Dorf* March 13, 2017.
<http://www.thedorf.de/kultur/kunst/nika-fontaine-incognito/>
- 2017 “Heimat: Nika Fontaine” by Kara Williams. *The Belgo Report* January 26, 2017. <http://www.thebelgoreport.com/2017/01/heimat-nika-fontaine/>.
- 2017 “Lot 29: Nika Fontaine *Schnell Schnell #8, Accelerators Vol. 1 series, 2015*” by Dory Smith. *Cmagazine* April 18, 2017. Thirteenth Annual Contemporary Art Auction: Preview Picks.
<https://cargocollective.com/cmazine/Preview-Picks>.
- 2017 “The Heroine’s Journey of Nika Fontaine.” *The Heroines Journey* February 13, 2017. <https://theheroinejourney2016.wordpress.com/2017/02/13/the-heroines-journey-of-nika-fontaine/>.
- 2016 “15 Up-and-coming Canadian Artist You Need to Keep Your Eye On.” *Notable Life* September 19, 2016.
<https://notablelife.com/15-up-and-coming-canadian-artists-you-need-to-keep-your-eye-on/>.
- 2016 “Winnipeg Artist Wins \$25K RBC Canadian Painting Competition.” *Canadian Art* September 20, 2016.
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- 2015 “The Glitter Room.” *Souls in a Box* March 11, 2015.
<http://soulsinabox.tumblr.com/page/6>.
- 2015 “Interview with Nika Fontaine” by Monica Kowalska. *The Heroines of My Life* April 29, 2015.
<http://theheroines.blogspot.de/2015/04/interview-with-nika-fontaine.html>
- 2014** “‘Colors Were Never Strong Enough for Me’: A Visit with Nicolas Fontaine” by Oliver Koerner von Gustorf. *ArtMag* by Deutsche Bank 80,

April 25 – May 11, 2014. MACHT KUNST – The Prizewinners.
<https://db-artmag.de/en/80/feature/macht-kunst-the-prizewinners-colors-were-never-strong-enough-for/>.

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by Oliver Koerner von Gustorf. *ArtMag* by Deutsche Bank 80, April 25 –
May 11, 2014. MACHT KUNST - Die Preisträger. <https://db-artmag.de/de/80/feature/macht-kunst-die-preistraeger-die-farben-waren-mir-nie-stark-genu/>.

2014 “Nicolas Fontaine - Comme un Flash – Livart. ” *Le vadrouilleur Urbain*
February 19, 2014.

<https://levadrouilleururbain.wordpress.com/2014/02/19/nicolas-fontaine-comme-un-flash-liv-art/>

2012 “Nicolas Fontaine” by Ana. *Gusmen* March 19, 2012.

<https://gusmen.com/2012/03/19/nicolas-fontaine>.