# **BARCELONA GALLERY WEEKEND 2021**

# BOMBON PROJECTS DORIAN SARI Biography

**Dorian Sari** (b. 1989 in Izmir, Turkey; he currently lives and works in Basel, Switzerland) is a keen observer of politics, collective emotions, and social movements, the study of human nature and cultures is at the centre of Sari's work. Through video, sculpture, and performance he transforms personal and shared mythology into completely fictional, theatrical and cinematographic scenes based on the psychoanalytic interpretation of humans and their symbols.

For Sari, the transfer of observations into materials offers a process of sublimation, and he often includes ceremonial rituals in the stages of production. This could be the meditative act of quietly sewing together, or a tacit confession. With the language of poetic symbols, Sari's work forms a narrative and draws parallels of communication between the conscious and the collective subconscious. Combining rational scientific research with metaphysical methods, Sari's uses tools of dialogue, referencing and discourse to forcefully address the issues and contradictions of our time.

He graduated from the Institut Kunst in Basel in 2018, having previously studied Greek Literature, Political Sciences and Languages at the Sorbonne, Paris (2011), and Visual Arts and Sculpture at HEAD, Geneva (2016).

In 2020, Sari received the Manor Kunstpreis and the Swiss Performance Art Award. He also received the Swiss Art Awards and the Kunstkredit Prize in 2019 and the Kiefer Hablitzel Art Prize of the Swiss Art Awards in 2018. In 2021, he has had a solo exhibition at the Kunstmuseum Basel Gegenwart (Basel, Switzerland), Wilde (Basel, Switzerland), Centre Culturel Suisse Paris (France) and Kunst(zeug)haus Rapperswil (Switzerland). Other exhibitions include group shows at Kunsthalle Basel (Switzerland), Wilde (Geneva and Basel, Switzerland), DAMA Foundation (Turin, Italy), Swiss Art Awards (Basel, Switzerland), Kunsthaus Baselland (Switzerland), SESC Belenzinho (Sao Paulo, Brasil), Maison des Arts de Malakoff (Paris, France) and International Red Cross Museum (Geneva, Switzerland).

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# BOMBON PROJECTS DORIAN SARI Curriculum Vitae

### **EDUCATION**

2016-2018 Institut Kunst Basel - MA Visual Arts, Basel, Switzerland

2013-2016 HEAD Geneva - BA Visual Arts-Sculpture Department, Geneva, Switzerland

2013 Dvir Gallery, internship, Tel Aviv, Israel

2011-2012 Mediterranea Arte Gallery, internship, Naples, Italy

2011-2012 International exchange program, Political science and languages at University of Naples Ferico II, Naples, Italy

2007-2011 Paris Sorbonne University (Paris IV) Political Science and Languages (italian & swedish) BA, Paris, France

2007-2011 Paris Sorbonne University (Paris IV) Greek Literature BA, Paris, France

#### **SOLO SHOWS**

#### 2021

Post-truth, Kunstmuseum Basel Gegenwart Basel, Switzerland Ding-dong, the itch is back!, Gallery Öktem&Aykut Istanbul, Turkey

#### 2020

« La Parade de l'aveuglement » Centre Culturel Suisse Paris Paris, France

#### 2019

« A permanent fugue », Gallery Wilde, Basel, Switzerland

2018

« Der Narr », Kunst(zeug)haus Rapperswil, Rapperswil, Switzerland

#### 2017

« Voices » Gallery Art Bärtschi & Cie, Geneva, Switzerland

« Meeting With The Tank Family » Der Tank - Institut Kunst, Basel, Switzerland

# **GROUP SHOWS**

#### 2021

Zirkulieren, Helmhaus Zurich Zürich, Switzerland Concerned, Red Cross Museum Geneva, Switzerland A Finger for an Eye, Protocinema & Poşe Istanbul, Turkey

### 2020

Swiss Performance Art Awards 2020, Theather Grütli - Canceled Geneva, Switzerland A-PART, Kunsthalle Basel Basel, Switzerland Subject Sitting in Darkened Room, Gallery Barbara Seiler Zürich, Switzerland Rewriting Our Imaginations, Liste Art Fair Basel, Switzerland Supper Club, Gallery Wilde Basel, Switzerland

2019

«Obsessive & Passive», DAMA Foundation Torino, Italy «Zeit/Ge/Schichten», Kunsthaus Baselland Basel, Switzerland Swiss Art Awards, Basel, Switzerland «Body Splits», Salts , Basel, Switzerland Miart Milano, Art Fair with Gallery Wilde Milano, Italy «Toiles et Toiles», Le Manoir Martigny, Switzerland Art Genève, Art Fair with Gallery Wilde Geneva, Switzerland

2018

« A Tooth for an Eye », Kunsthalle Basel, Basel, Switzerland

Regionale 19, Kunsthaus Basel Land, Basel, Switzerland

Kiefer Hablitzel Kunstpreis, Kunstraum Glarus Glarus, Switzerland

Kurs, Klingental Raum 103, Basel, Switzerland

« Atlas of Heavens », Kunsthaus Baselland, Basel, Switzerland

Kiefer Hablitzel Prize Basel, Switzerland

Orrizonti Creativi, San Michele degli Scalzi Exhibition Center, Pisa, Italy

« Alpine Dream » curating by Samuel Gross, Art Geneva, Salon d'Art (Art Fair) Geneva, Switzerland

Gallery Show by Gallery Art Bärtschi & Cie, Art Geneva

2017

« Aqua » by Art For The World, curated by Adelina von Fürstenberg, SESC Belenzinho, São Paulo, Brasil

« The X Project » Atelier Mondial, Basel, Switzerland

« It is a lover who speaks and says » BAR project + Homesession, Barcelona, Spain

« In My Garden » curated by Hélène Mariethoz, FABRIKculture, Hegenheim, France

## 2016

« Fermez les portes en sortant » LIVE IN YOUR HEAD, G eneva, Switzerland

« Photo » Fondation Act On Your Future, Geneva, Switzerland

Art For The World, Conference with Adelina von Fürstenberg, Cinemateca Nazionale, Rome, Italy

« Malakoff Mon Amour », Maison des arts de Malakoff, Paris, France

« Nouvelles Vagues », curated by Hélène Mariethoz, Villa Bernasconi, Geneva, Switzerland

2015 « Muesum », International Red Cross Museum, Geneva, Switzerland « La Ballade du Crime», St Martin Lausanne, Switzerland « Army of me », Festival Act at Villa Bernasconi, Geneva, Switzerland

#### RESIDENCES

2020 Akademie der Künste Berlin, Germany

2017 The BAR Project, Barcelona, Spain La Fondazione Lac O Lemon, Lecce, Italy

## **AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

2020 Manor Kunstpreis Basel, Switzerland wiss Performance Art Awards (Cancelled due to Pandemic)

2019 Kunstkredit Basel Basel, Switzerland Swiss Art awards Switzerland

2018 Basel Kunstverein Prize Basel, Switzerland Kiefer Hablitzel Price, Switzerland

2016

Finalist of International Red Cross Museum Art Price, Geneva, Switzerland Finalist of Fondation Act On Your Future Art Price, Geneva, Switzerland

2013-2016 Merite scholarship by Fondation Hans Wilsdorf - Rolex, Geneva, Switzerland