

SUSANNE KESSLER

BIOGRAPHY

1955 born in Wuppertal

Lives and works in Berlin und Rome

Education

1975–1983 University of Art, UdK, Berlin / Royal College of Art, London, MfA

Awards/Grants/Artist in Residence

1982–1983 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), London

1979-81 Scholarships of the Franco-German Youth Office (OJFA), Paris

1992 Paul-Strecker-Prize of the city of Mainz

1995.Kaiserring-Stipend of the Mönchehaus Museum of Contemporary Art, Goslar

1995–1996 Artist in Residence in India: Lalit Kala Academi, New Dehli, Max Muller Bhawan (MMB) Hyderabad, MMB Chennai, MMB Mumbai

1996.Artist in Residence, Goethe-Institut Lahore

2003 Artist in Residence, Fadjr Festival, Tehran

2014 Artist in Residence, VYT-of the Art Students League New York

2014 Ruth Katzman Scholarship Award

2016 Artist in Residence at the Contemporary Art Museum of the West Coast, Alkersum/Föhr

2020 Europa grant of the Senate of Berlin

2022 Artist in Residence, Tryfon Art Residency Molyvos, Lesbos

2022 Kunstfonds/Neustart Kultur, grant for the solo exhibition „Undatiert“ Kunstverein Lippstadt

2022 Von der Heydt-Kultur Prize of the city of Wuppertal

Teaching

2001–2002 Professor of the ‘Art in Action’-class, California State University, Stanislaus, Turlock, CA

2007 Professor of the “Vulcano-Project“, Rock Creek Academy, Washington, DC

2010–2014 Professor for drawing and sculpture, City University/John Jay College, CUNY, New York, NY

Lectures and Presentations

1996 Presentation “Recording Disappearance”, Max Mueller Bhavan, New Delhi, IN

1996 Presentation “About the Iqbal Banner and Other Outdoor Interventions“, National College of Art, Lahore, PK

1999 Presentation “Outdoor Intervention in Pakistan and India”, University of Art, Bremen, DE

2003 Artist talk “Room of Evolution“, with the students of the Tehran College of Fine Arts, in the Artist Forum, Teheran, IR

2007 Artist talk “Synaptic Drawings”, with the students of the University of Virginia, in the Second Street Gallery, Charlottesville, VA, USA

2010 Presentation “From Drawing to Installation”, with a workshop in the Academy of Fine Arts, Riga, LT

- 2006 Lecture "Working in the Interstice", University of Wuppertal, DE
- 2014 Lecture "Working in the Interstice", University of Art, Dresden, DE
2014. Lecture "Over the Years", University of Art, Poznan, PL
2015. Artist Talk „Jerusalem“ with the students of the American University at the Arlington Art Center, Arlington, VA, USA
2017. Lecture "Material –Materia", Academy of Art, Rome, IT
2018. Lecture "Autoritratto –Odissea and the Mappa Mundi," Macro- Museum of Contemporary Art, Rome, IT
2018. Lecture "Odissea", Eugeniusz Geppert Academy of Art and Design, Wroclaw, PL
2019. Project presentation "RETURN- Berlin- Rome, Rome –Berlin", a German – Italian Exchange Project, Macro -Museum of Contemporary Art, Rome, IT

SOLO SHOWS

- 2024 Manifold, Kunstverein Rosenheim, DE
- 2023 Kartographische Linienwerke, Kunstmuseum Bayreuth, DE
- 2022 Ozeane, Kunstverein Würzburg, DE
- 2022 Zeichnungen und Bücher, RAUM 5, HBK Essen / Campus Wuppertal, DE
- 2022 Odissea, Int. Music Festival, Molyvos/Lesbos, GR
- 2022 About Roots and Borders, Gallery Agora, Conseil de l'Europe, Strasburg, FR
- 2022 Undatiert, Kunstverein Lippstadt, DE
- 2019 Kontinuum, (with Guda Koster), Kunstforum der Sparkasse Wuppertal, DE
- 2019 Wechselspiel, (with Paolo Bielli), GAM, Galleria Arte Moderna, Rome, IT
- 2019 Odissea, Galerie Neon, Geppert Academy of Art, Wroclaw, PL
- 2018 Mappa Mundi, MACRO, Museo Arte Contemporaneo, Rome, IT
- 2018 Odissea, Museum Kunst der Westküste, Alkersum/Föhr, DE
- 2016 Scudi, Sala Santa Rita, Rome, IT
- 2015 Jerusalem, Galerie Whiteconcepts, Berlin, DE
- 2015 Jerusalem, American University Museum, the Katzen Art Center, Washington, DC, USA
- 2014 Dialogue on Paper (with Marek Jakuszcwski), Galeria Rotunda of the Academy of Art, Poznan, PL
- 2014 Mäander, DominoArt 2014, Dominohaus, Reutlingen, DE
- 2014 Das Gelbe und das Blaue Buch, Kunst Museum Solingen, DE
- 2011–12 Baustelle Zeichnung, Galerie M, Berlin, DE
- 2009 In Bilico, Galerie Epikur, Wuppertal, DE
- 2008 Drawing Space – The New York Room, J.J. Gallery, City University New York, NY, USA
- 2008 Synapse, Galleria Dora Diamanti, Rome, IT
- 2007 Synaptic Drawings, Second Street Gallery, Charlottesville, VA, USA
- 2006 The Flying Temple, Kunstlandschaft 06, outdoor installation close to Büsum, DE
- 2004 Capriccio, Produzentengalerie (with Anna Löbner), Offenburg, DE
- 2004 Patterns of Life, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Washington, DC, USA
- 2004 Wire-Wall-Drawing, Goethe-Institut Washington, DC, USA
- 2003 Room of Evolution, Artist Forum, 21. Fajr International Festival, Tehran, IR

2002 Soft Grids, University Art Gallery, California State University, Stanislaus, Turlock, CA, USA
2002 Ausstellung auf Zeit, Gustav-Lübcke-Museums, Hamm, DE
2002 Bilder, Bücher und Gebilde, Stadtgalerie im Elbeforum, Brunsbüttel, DE
2001 Il Fregio di Palermo, Cantieri alla Zisa/Goethe-Institut Palermo, IT
2001 Im Lauf der Dinge ist auch Stillstand, Galerie der Stadt Remscheid, DE
2001 Installationen und Bilder, Galerie Beethovenstraße, Düsseldorf, DE
1999 Bilder, Konstruktionen, Arbeiten auf Papier, Sammlung van der Grinten, Joseph Beuys
Archiv, Stiftung MuseumSchloss Moyland, Bedburg-Hau, DE
1997 Übersee, Museum Abtei Liesborn, Liesborn-Wadersloh, DE
1996 Recording Disappearance, Lalit Kala Academi, New Delhi, IN
1996 The Broken Image, Max Mueller Bhavan, Hyderabad, IN
1996 Conserving Memories, Max Mueller Bhavan in coop with Gallery Chemould, Mumbai, IN
1996 Only to Vanish Once More, National College of Arts, Lahore, PK
1995 Bilder und Konstruktionen, Kunstverein Speyer, DE
1995 Das Zelt (with a musical composition of Babette Koblenz), Loft, Köln, DE
1995 Bilder und Objekte, IG-Metall-Galerie, Frankfurt, DE
1995 Bilder und Objekte, Mönchehaus Museum Goslar, DE
1995 The Universe Moves, Max Mueller Bhavan, Chennai, IN
1994 Man müsste wieder Tempel bauen, Von der Heydt-Museum, Wuppertal, DE
1994 Der Ursprung der Dinge, Galerie Epikur, Wuppertal, DE
1993 Bücher, Raumobjekte, Goethe-Institut Rome, IT
1993 Zeichnungen und Konstruktionen, Kunstmuseum Albstadt, DE
1993 Zeichnungen, Landesmuseum Mainz, DE
1992 The Carrousel of Shapes, October Gallery/Goethe-Institut London, GB
1991 Werkschau an drei Orten, Kunstverein Solingen, DE
1990 Pittura e Progetti, Centro del Arte Contemporanea Luigi di Sarro, Rome, IT
1989 Linienkarussell, Kunstverein Lingen, DE
1989 Malbücher, Bilder, Zeichnungen und Raumobjekte, Landesmuseum Mainz, DE
1987 Flügel, Bücher und Bilder, Städtische Galerie Peschkenhaus (with Werner Haypeter),
Moers, DE
1987 Farbkarussell, Galerie Brusten, Wuppertal, DE
1987 Malerei 1983–1987, Deutsches Klingmuseum, Solingen, DE

GROUP SHOWS

2024 Transavanguardie II, October Gallery, London, GB
2023 Christmasexhibition Stiftung Starke Berlin, DE
2023 Small Works, Strata Gallery, Santa Fe, USA
2023 BOOKS AS ART, Epsilon Gallery, Athens, GR

2023 Transvanguard: Pushing Boundaries, October Gallery, London, GB
2023 “Anthropos e Kainos II”, Ex Cartiera Latina, Rom, IT
2022 Io e Me / Autoritratti del Lockdown, Biblioteca Europea / Sala 1, Rome, IT
2022 Giallo-Blue: No War, Project Space Rome, IT
2021 Escape Plan, RAW, Rome Art Week, IT
2021 Arteporto, Porto Flavio and Claudio (sculpture outdoors), Ostia Antica/ Rome, IT
2021 NaturaViva ,Hortus Conclusus, (sculpture outdoors) La Ginestra, Acqualagna, IT
2020 Off Shore, Kunstmuseum Albstadt. DE
2020 Creative Contagion, Creative Alliance, online book show, Baltimore, USA
2020 Carte Blanche VIII, Forum for art at the station , Herzogenrath, DE
2020 Tiny Biennale, Temple University- Campus Rome, IT
2020 Fe-*Mail Art, Air Gallery, New York, NY, USA
2019 RAW, Rome Art Week, Rome, IT
2019 Entasi, Casa dell’Architettura, Rome, DE
2019 Berlin - Rome, Galerie Verein Berliner Künstler, Berlin, DE
2019 Techne, Goethe-Institut Porto Allegre, BR
2019 Rome - Berlin, Centro Luigi di Sarro, Rome, IT
2019 Anyone Can Fly, Sugar Hill Children’s Museum
of Art, Harlem, New York, NY, USA
2018 Hand in Hand, Hongdei Museum, Chengdu, CHN
2018 Biennale Arte di Viterbo, Palazzo Priori, Viterbo, IT
2018 Wild and Connected, Galerie Verein Berliner Künstler, Berlin, DE
2018 Ricognizioni. Dai BoCs Art i linguaggi del contemporaneo, Museo BoCs Art, Cosenza, IT
2017 Macht Geld, Galerie Verein Berliner Künstler, Berlin, DE
2017 Heimat, Deutscher Künstlerbund, Berlin, DE
2017 Anyone Can Fly, Affirmation Studios, New York, NY, USA
2016–17 Der lange Marsch, Neuer Kunstverein, Wuppertal, DE
2016 Collezione DIF Museo Diffuso, Palazzo Chigi, Formello, IT
2016 Arteporto, Ausstellung in den antiken Häfen Flavio und Claudio, Ostia Antica/ Rome, IT
2016 Virtual reality, The Jerusalem Fund, Washington, DC, USA
2016 Berge versetzen, Galerie Ursula Walter, Dresden, DE
2015 IL Linguaggio come scoperta, Museo MLAC –Museo Laboratorio di Arte Contemporanea, Rome, IT
2015 Floor by floor, Efastudios, New York, NY, USA
2015 Open Studio, Arlington Art Center, Arlington/VA, USA
2015 6. Herbstsalon, Kunstverein Bad Homburg, DE
2014 Any One Can Fly, ACFE 2014, Open Center, New York, NY, USA
2014 Premio Pio Alferano 2014, Fondazione Pio Alferano, Castello dell’Abate, Castellabate, IT
2014 La Luce E L’Icona, Arte Paleocristiana – Arte Contemporanea, Basilica di San Giovanni a
Cimitile, Nola, IT

2014 OSTRALE'014, Dresden, DE
2014 just fair, Galerie Whiteconcepts, Berlin, DE
2013 Extra Ordinary Day, MAAM – Museo dell'Altro e dell'Altrove, Rome, IT
2013 In SIMBIOSI, Accademia di Romania, Rome, IT
2013 Any One Can Fly, ACA Galleries, New York, NY, USA
2013 A Women Call for Peace, Andrew Shiva Gallery, New York, NY, USA
2013 Mapping. Ridisegnare luoghi, Il Frantoio, Capalbio, IT
2013 »aus ernst wird spaß – das ironische in der kunst«, Projektraum des Deutschen Künstlerbundes, Berlin, DE
2012 Art Container Steffisburg, Thun, CH
2011 9/11, Galleria Cortese e Lisante, Rome, IT
2011 L'intreccio dei Viaggi – Premio Termoli, Galleria Civica d'Arte Contemporanea, Termoli, IT
2010 Sbandati, Ex-Gil Roma, Rome, IT
2010 Flux, Galerie Whiteconcepts, Berlin, DE
2010 Atelier Aperti, Museo Faina, Orvieto, IT
2009 Back to the Wall, Tribes Gallery, New York, NY, USA
2009 Bleistiftkonzert, Galerie Inga Kondeyne, Berlin, DE
2008 Dialog, Kunstakademie Riga, LT
2008 Ambientart I/II, Palazzo dei Priori, Viterbo, IT
2007 Linien, Nassauischer Kunstverein, Wiesbaden, DE
2006 Standpunkt: jetzt, Universität der Künste, Berlin, DE
2006 Kunstlandschaften 2006 – Projekte und Modelle, Galerie im Elbforum, Brunsbüttel, DE
2002 Mensch und Raum, Villa Streccius, Landau, DE
2001 Objects, Galerie Brusten, Wuppertal, DE
1999 Skulptur im Park, Schloss Borbeck, Essen, DE
1998 Natürlicht, Flottmann-Hallen, Herne, DE
1997 Begegnungen, Städtische Galerie Albstadt, Albstadt-Ebingen, DE
1997 An Elbe und Rhein, Projektausstellung der Montag-Stiftung, Dresden-Bonn, DE
1997 Trepp auf, Galerie Brusten, Wuppertal, DE
1997 Visionen, Galerie Brusten, Wuppertal, DE
1996 In-Contri, Goethe-Institut Palermo, IT
1996 Autoritratto-Dentro-Fuori, Museo Laboratorio di Arte Contemporaneo, Milo, Catania, IT
1996 Europa–Africa, Palazzo Osterio Magno, Céfalù, IT
1995 Fredsskulptur – Peacesculpture, int. exhibition on the bunkers of the Danish westcoast DK (in coop.with the Ludwig Forum for Int. Art, Aachen, DE)
1995 The human inner ear invades the bunkers, (with Magdalena Jetelova) Museet for Religios Kunst, Lemvig, DK
1989 Grande Delubro, l'Arte, Salerniana, Erice, IT
1988 12 Jahre Galerie Brusten, Kunsthalle Wuppertal, DE

1988 Arie, Festival dei due Mondi, Spoleto, IT
1988 Arte e Architettura, Salone Internazionale dell'Architettura, Milano, IT
1987 Wandobjekte, Galerie Brusten, Wuppertal, DE
1987 Kultur–Natur, Kunst im Projekt, Wuppertal, DE
1987 Botschaft Bild, Maximilianskirche, Gesellschaft für christliche Kunst, Düsseldorf, DE
1987 Das Oktagon, Galerie Brusten, Wuppertal, DE
1987 Formenkarussell, Schloss Stolberg, Aachen, DE
1987 Orrizonti verticali, La Torre di Ciarrapico, Pescara, IT
1986 Kunstpreis, Kunstverein Lingen, DE
1983 Just Now, Goethe-Institut London, GB