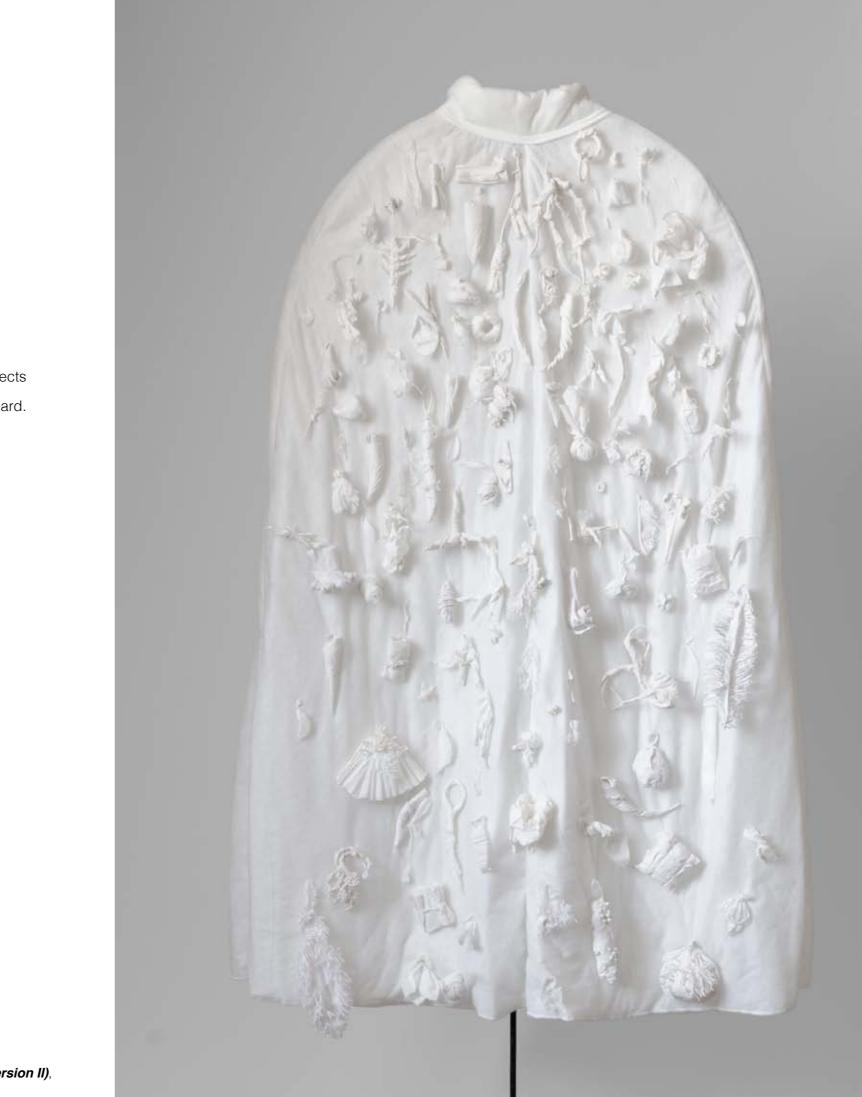


YET FAR MORE OFTEN THAN THESE TEXT BASED PIECES, ONE WOULD PLAY PURE MELODIES ON THE MOUTH ORGAN (II)



Based on descriptions of audio guides from ethnographic museums, different objects are created. The originals remain unseen; the reconstruction relies only on the information heard.











I DON'T CARE IF THIS HAS BEEN STANDING HERE FOR CENTURIES, IT'S RUINING MY ZEN GARDEN

Departing from the question, how the mental image of the word 'sculpture' may look, a selection of pieces from amateur books on learning to sculpt are copied. A dance by a group of Germans, whose hobby is to reenact traditions of Native Americans, and a grill covered in paper maché accompany the sculptures. These two elements allow to associate the shapes, not only with sculptural, but also with primitive and design language.













SOPOR

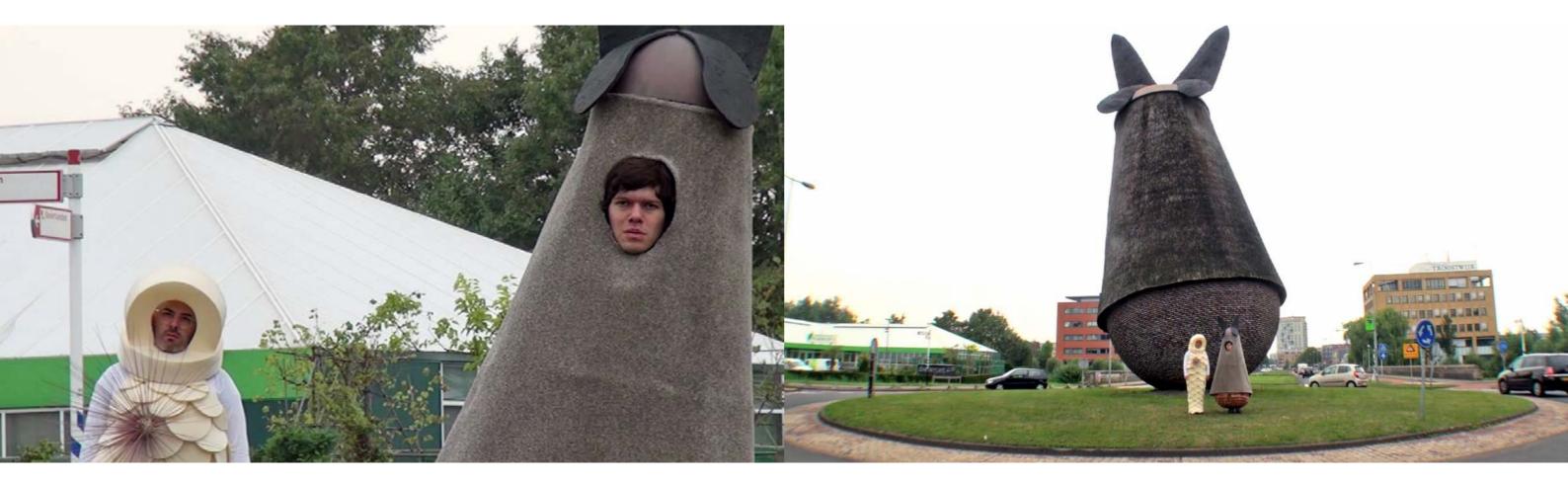
In *Sopor* two characters in costumes mimic public art pieces of Amsterdam, which come to life and wander around their monumental originals (*Fête galante* by Hans van den Ban & *Vlindermolen* by Herman Makkink) and other public sculptures. The video is accompanied by a voice narrating dreams about art pieces.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q2AoSG5Ivow



Video still from *Sopor*, 8.20 min, 2014





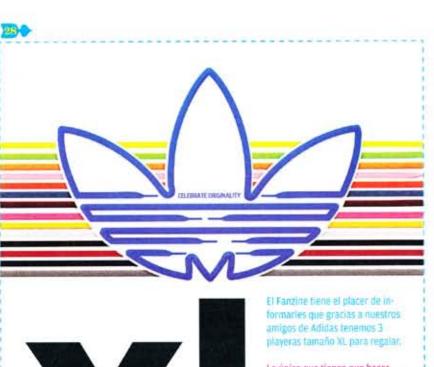




Tony Smith, *Tau*, 1962

Mini Tau is a copy of the sculpture *Tau* by Tony Smith, of which the recipient can build his own copy following instructions. A fragile paper object of small dimensions replaces the monumentality of the original industrially processed sculptur. The work is distributed as printed material, for example in free magazines. Since nobody can find out how many of the copies have actually been folded, the extent of the edition remains unknown.

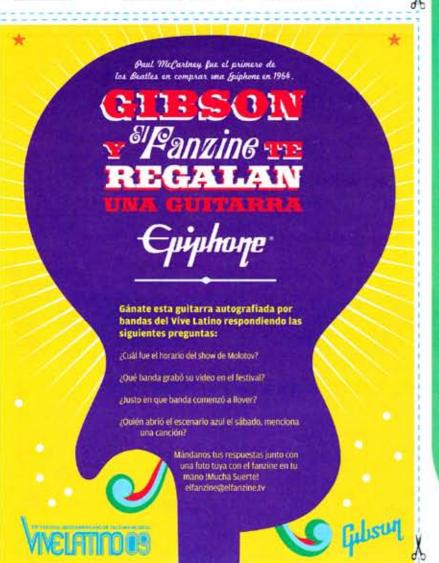




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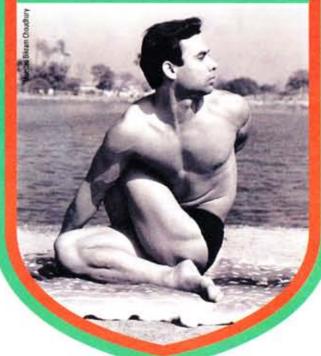
por: Carlos Dan

La flexibilidad, equilibrio y fortaleza con los que nutrimos a nuestro organismo a través del Bikram es fuente de mejora de autoestima

Como decíamos en el número pasado, una sesión de Bikram Yoga supone un trabajo directo sobre nuestro cuerpo, pues en los noventa minutos que suelen durar estas sesiones se trabaja ciclicamente, preparando al cuerpo en una asana para ya afrontar a la siguiente. Esto, además de dar forma sólida a este tipo de yoga, tiene numerosas ventajas que resaltan al Bikram por sobre otros tipos de yoga más ortodoxos. El Bikram Yoga tiene numerosos beneficios, los cuales repasamos el día de hoy. El mejoramiento de la postura es uno de ellos, ya que repercute directamente sobre la espina dorsal. Problemas como dolores de espalda y de cabeza pueden reducirse a través del Bikram Yoga además del padecimiento de síntomas de varias enfermedades crónicas.

La flexibilidad, equilibrio y fortaleza con los que nutrimos nuestro organismo a través del Bikram, es fuente de mejora de autoestima; un aumento de la vitalidad, la energía y la relajación. Este yoga también reduce el estrés y hace que la vida diaria se tome de una manera más light. Todo esto, además del creciente bienestar emocional que genera la práctica de cualquier tipo de yoga, convierten al Bikram en una excelente opción a tener en cuenta si se padece alguno de los problemas referidos anteriormente.

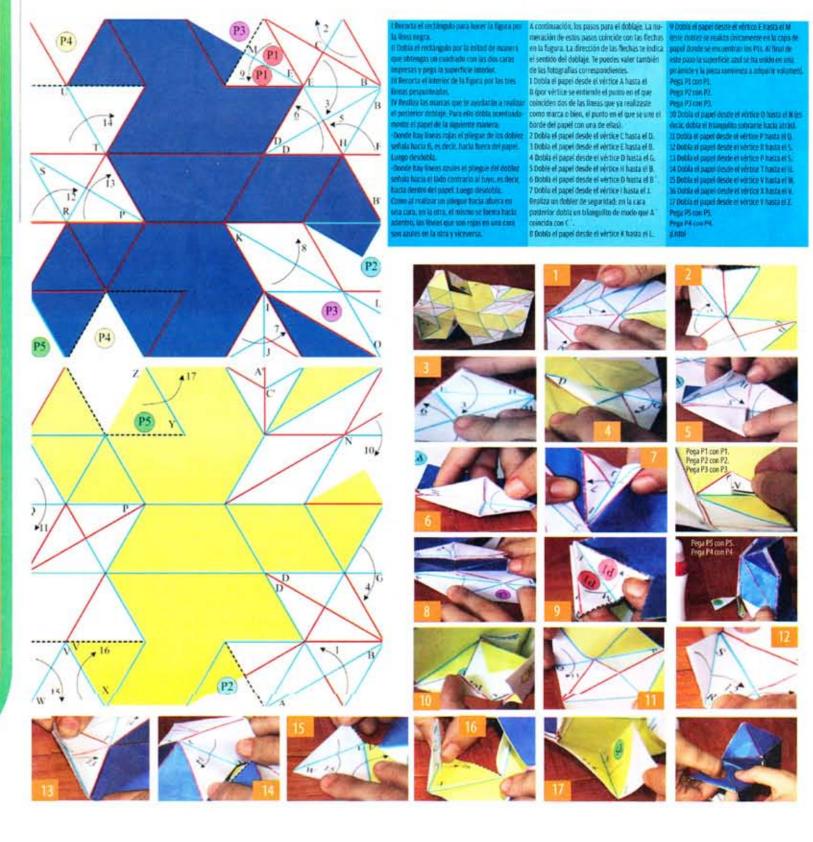
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Mini Tau

Tony Smith (23.09.1921-26.12.1980) fue uno de los más importantes artistas norteamericanos del siglo XX. Conocido por las esculturas abstractas que creó durante sus últimos 20 años de vida, trabajó formas geométricas simples realizadas en acero a gran escala, y compuestas a menudo de unidades modulares o cajas rectangulares unidas entre si. Smith es asociado a menudo con el minimalismo, del que suele considerarse un precursor. Sin embargo, el artista no concebía su trabajo como el resultado de decisiones o procesos predeterminados; combinando todo de manera azarosa, compartia cierta afinidad con el expresionismo abstracto.



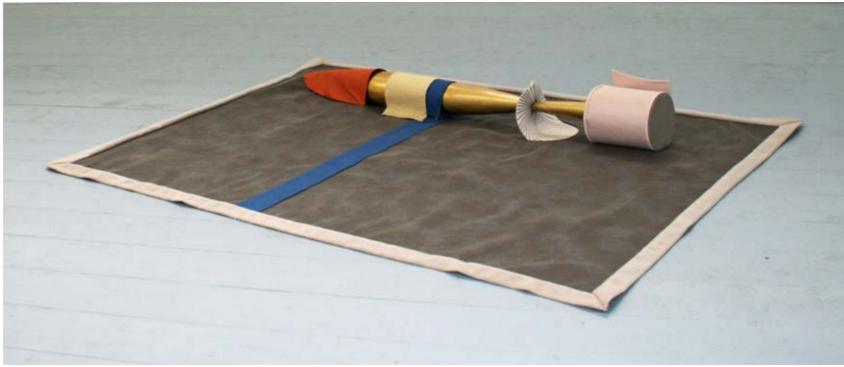


ETUI

Etui is composed by a copy of the sculpture *Bird in Space* by Constantin Brancusi acquired from an online decoration shop and a textile. The textile works as a carpet, a composition or a plinth, but it also can be used to transport the reproduction. When the sculpture lies horizontally, all the shapes that formed the composition become functional elements.









SOMETIMES, WHEN I AM ALONE, I USE COMIC SANS

Sometimes, when I am alone, I use Comic Sans is an installation with an ,all-over' character. Teenagers were invited to copy by hand descriptions of Venezuelan artefacts from an ethnographic museum's collection, which were then printed on wallpaper. Reconstructions of different objects from my former room in Venezuela, a series of drawings based on Land Art pieces and several intervened objects evoking the adolescence period are placed in the space. While walking through the installation, the viewer is accompanied by pop songs hits from 1984 until 2014. The music is part of a video projection, in which I dance to these songs wearing a costume inspired on Brancusi's Bird in Space.









Arm - band made of white and pale brown down and chest 'curassaw' feathers in an obling duster supported on a thin wooden bar, with two dampting lengths of twine having small dumps of soft feathers field on

Chamery (3) made of feathers, string.

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1985 "Careless Whisper" Wham! featuring George Michael

1991 "(Everything I Do) I Do It for You" Bryan Adams

1993 "I Will Always Love You" Whitney Houston

1995 "Gangsta's Paradise" Coolio featuring L.V.

1996 "Macarena" (Bayside Boys Mix) Los del Río

2004 "Yeah!" Usher featuring Lil Jonand Ludacris

2009 "Boom Boom Pow" The Black Eyed Peas

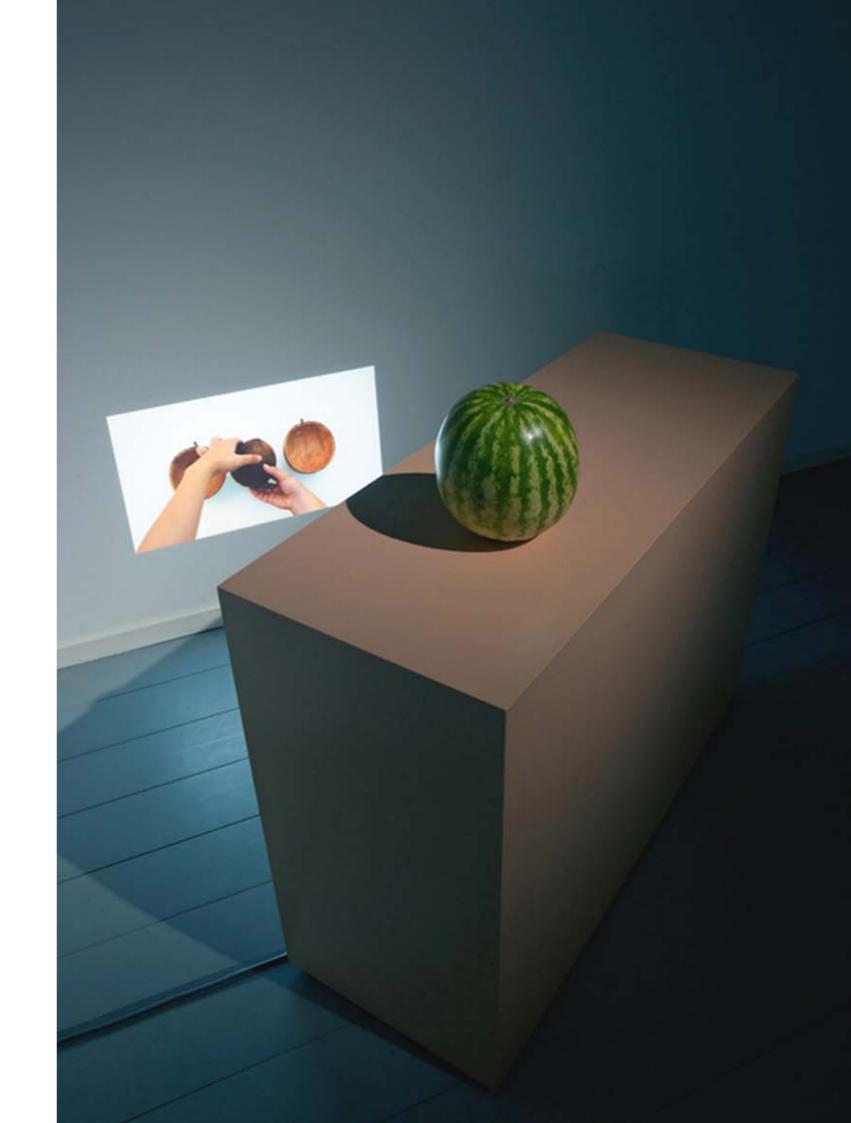
2012 "Somebody That I Used to Know" Gotye featuring Kimbra

2013 "Thrift Shop" Macklemore & Ryan Lewis featuring Wanz



Untitled consists of a watermelon and a video projection, which explores the possible content of the exhibited fruit. The video shows a process, in which different fruit shells are placed into each other until achieving the watermelon's volume.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nTzaLspx1ZU











INSERTIONS II

Insertions II is part of an exchange between German and Mexican proverbs. For the work in Germany, the translated Mexican proverbs were written on car windscreens covered by snow. The proverbs stayed on the cars until someone cleaned them up or the snow melted away.



"One shouldn't look for sleeves in the vest"





"Who is a parrot, is everywhere green"

"When God doesn't want to, the saints can't do either"





"The deaf doesn't hear, but he composes"

"Bread with bread isn't tasty"





Most people will fondly remember the scene from the movie Lost in Translation in which the lead actor is working on a Japanese Whiskey commercial. The translator boils down the lengthy Japanese instructions to a simple: "He want you to turn, looking at camera. Ok?" Dumbfounded Bob asks: "That's all he said?" Lost in translation indeed. Not only do we loose nuance, meaning, connotation when translating words, customs or jokes, there is also, if you care and know what to look for, things that we gain in translation. Ana Navas sees and uses what is gained in processes of translation, assimilation and appropriation of cultures and histories. She finds the potential for a new work in these processes.

Take for example her series of semi-large sculptures (too large to be decorative, too small for public space) that mimic shapes taken from hobby or amateur sculpture books. In these books, aspiring sculptors are taken through the basic shapes of the history of sculpture: primitive forms, ready-made meanings, it is all there. Navas imitates these shapes without copying the artisanal production methods outlined in the books. Rather, she uses papier-mâché or Styrofoam to build what she understands as prototypes of forms. What is generally known in classical sculpture as the mother-child posture, can become, in her hands and eyes and through her appropriation of the shape, culture and meaning, a Nespresso machine. And indeed, when looking at the sculpture again with this reference in mind, it looks more like the trendy coffee machine than a mother with child.

On the other end of the spectrum are her really small, fragile objects made from paper napkins. The objects are based on audio guides from ethnographic museums. Navas listened, but never saw the objects discussed. Based on these descriptions, she created objects that are, because they are the result of a subjective translation, impossible to place, to recognize, to pin down. Needless to say, there is clearly something lost in this translation process, but there is also, so much new, gained.

The work of Navas is not so much driven by a fascination for a given material or process, but rather by this topic of assimilation and translation. A video work showed in the exhibition takes assimilation as its starting point. Navas is fascinated by art in public space, works we don't always consciously see but that become part of our references, visual memory and direct or indirect experience of art. Accompanied by a voice that narrates Navas' dreams of art pieces, we see two people dressed as artworks - Fête galante, the pinecone shaped sculptures by Hans van den Ban and De Vlindermolen, the bunny-like work by Herman Makkink - going through town, meeting their originals and visiting other sculptures in and around the city.

While previous generations of artists, and Navas in earlier works as well, might have found their social engagement in political or relational art, the bridge between art and society for her lies in the already existing: the design of objects that surround us, the domestication of far away forms, our perception of harmony. This connection she studies through her diverse, often humorous and always slightly puzzling objects.

Maaike Lauwaert on Ana Navas for Offspring 2014, exhibition catalogue, De Ateliers Amsterdam

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2012 - 2014	Participant at <i>De Ateliers</i> , Amsterdam, The Netherlands
2010 - 2011	Master student (Meisterschülerin) with Professor Franz Ackermann, Academy of Fine Arts Karlsruhe, Germany
2004 - 2010	Fine Arts (Diploma), study at the Academy of Fine Arts Karlsruhe, Germany
2009	Exchange student at the Escuela Nacional de Pintura, Escultura y Grabado La Esmeralda, Mexico City, Mexico
2003 - 2004	Philosophy and Art History, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

Grants, prizes and residencies

2015 - 2016	Artist in residency, Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores, Mexico City
2015	Artist in residency, CEAAC (Centro Européen d' Actions Artistiques Contemporaines), Strasbourg
2015	Honourable Mention, Salón de Jóvenes con FIA XVIII, Caracas
2014	Stipend of the Kunststiftung Baden-Württemberg
2012 - 2014	Stipend of the Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture and Science (for De Ateliers program)
2012	Forumkunst, Regional Council's Art Grant, Karslruhe
2011	Stipend Landesgraduiertenförderung Baden-Württemberg
2010	Artist in residency, Fondo Nacional para la Cultura y las Artes, Oaxaca
2009	Baden-Württemberg Stipendium, scholarship for exchange students, Mexico City

Solo shows (selection)

2016	Oficina # 1, Caracas, VE (upcoming)
	PAKT, Platform for contemporary Art, Amsterdam, NL (upcoming)
2015	New Harmony (with Sara Wahl), Im Hinterzimmer, Karlsruhe, DE
	Sometimes, when I am alone, I use Comic Sans, Gallery Tegenboschvanvreden, Amsterdam, NL
	Ornament (?), made of feathers, string, Ride On Projects (cur. Simone Wackershauser), Karlsruhe, DE
2014	Offspring 2014, De Ateliers, Amsterdam, NL
	I don't care if this has been standing here for centuries, it's ruining my Zen Garden,
	Kunststiftung Baden-Württemberg, Stuttgart, DE
2012	LOBBY, Project Schützenstrasse, Karlsruhe, DE

Group shows (selection)

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2015	Galería Proyecto Paralelo (cur. Violeta Horcasitas, Paola Jasso), Mexico City, MX (upcoming)		
	Velada de Santa Lucía Remix, Hamburg, DE		
	Salón de Jóvenes con FIA XVIII, Centro de Arte Los Galpones, Caracas, VE		
2014	Eau de Cologne, Kunstverein Amsterdam, NL		
	The hidden picture, Cobra Museum Amstelveen, NL		
	Summer in the city, Gallery Tegenboschvanvreden, Amsterdam, NL		
	Easily Broken, Gallery Tegenboschvanvreden, Amsterdam, NL		
2013	Simultáneo_04, de ServiceGarage, Amsterdam, NL		
	La Talallera, Cuernavaca, MX		
	Agentes del Arte Contemporáneo, Tijuana, MX		
	Left eye, right eye, Platform V8 (cur. Rodrigo Hernández, Rita Ponce de León, Ana Navas), Karlsruhe, DE		
	Anthropozaenta, Helmbrechts, DE		
	Wood(s), Gallery Zwinger, Berlin, DE		
2012	Remise en Jeu, La Kunsthalle Mulhouse, FR		
	Limbodrome, De Ateliers, Amsterdam, NL		
	Forumkunst, Regierungspräsidium, Karlsruhe, DE		
	Juvenale 2012, Schwäbisch Gmünd, DE		
2011	Kunststudenten stellen aus, Bundeskunsthalle Bonn, DE		
	Publishing house Mark Pezinger as guest in Kunstverein Freiburg (with Dinero Rojo), DE		
	Lust und Frust, former Schlosshotel Waldlust, Freudenstadt, DE		
	Zweifellos - Zwischenträger, Bauhausvilla Gellertstrasse, Karlsruhe, DE		
2010	3era muestra de arte Iberoamericano, Museo Diego Rivera-Anahuacalli, Mexico City, MX		
	Centro Cultural España, Mexico City, MX		
	Galerie Onrust, Amsterdam, NL		
	TOP 10, Forum Würth, Basel, CH		
	Artistas croatas en Venezuela, Centro Letonia, Caracas, VE		
Publications (selection)			
2014	Offspring, De Ateliers Amsterdam, exhibition catalogue (Text by Maaike Lauwaert)		
2013	Left Eye, right Eye, Charles Nypels Lab, Jan Van Eyck Academie, (Text by Florencia Portocarrero)		
	Wood(s): on identification with lost causes (Text by Laurence Rickels)		

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Wood(s): on identification with lost causes (Text by Laurence Rickels)		
2012 Juvenale 2012, exhibition catalogue (Text by Christoph Poetsch)		
Forumkunst, Förderpreis des Regierungspräsidiums Karlsruhe, exhibition catalogue		
2011 Kunststudentinnen und Kunststudenten stellen aus, exhibition catalogue		
Lust und Frust, exhibition catalogue		
2010 Who is the best artist you know? (with Rodrigo Hernández), drawing interview for the publication Nerivela 4		
Top 10, Academy of Fine Arts Karlsruhe, Meisterschülerkatalog		
3era muestra de arte Iberoamericano, Fondo Nacional para la cultura y las artes México, artists in residency catalogue		