Raphael Brunk

CV

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born 1987 in Kirchheimbolanden, lives and works in Frankfurt am Main

EDUCATION

Master Student, Andreas Gursky, Kunstakademie Düsseldorf 2018

2007 - 2013

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Political Science / Philosophy / Psychology, University Koblenz-Landau
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SOLO SHOWS (Selection)

2020 #918E80 / Galerie Droste / Wuppertal

2018

Neo Captures / Galerie Rundgaenger / Frankfurt

2017

Captures / Galerie am Meer / Düsseldorf Ana Dia Roland Schappert X Raphael Brunk / Galerie Honda / Cologne

2015

300,90,34 selekt / Galerie am Meer / Düsseldorf

GROUP SHOWS (Selection)

2020

Identität / Jüdische Gemeinde Frankfurt / Frankfurt Art is where the heart is Volume 7 / Galerie Droste / Paris darktaxa-project: the Frankfurt-Constellation / Galerie Schierke Seinecke / Frankfurt

2019

Amparo Sard x RPR Residency / Galeria Sa Pleta Freda / Son Severa

2018

Inside Ecologies - Umwelt als Interaktion / Weltkunstzimmer / Düsseldorf Kunstakademie Düsseldorf at McKinsey #6 / Sky Office / Düsseldorf Klassenverhältnisse / Private Apartment / Düsseldorf Neu ist alles was ich habe / Galerie am Meer / Düsseldorf

2017

The Wrong Club / Galerie Falko Alexander / Cologne 72 Stunden - initiated by Junge Kunstfreunde / Bunkerk101 / Cologne PLAY/III / Ex-Capitol Theater Worringer Platz / Düsseldorf alles in ordnung / cubus kunsthalle / Duisburg Orte und Menschen. 30 Bilder aus 30 Jahren / fiftyfifty Galerie / Düsseldorf 123 Klasse Gursky / Goethe-Institut-Paris / Paris Hello from the other side / Galerie am Meer / Düsseldorf

2016

Heiko Zahlmann, Raphael Brunk, Boris Tellegen / Galerie Droste / Wuppertal Hello from the other side / Galerie Bart / Nijmegen splitter & amalgam / Weltkunstzimmer / Düsseldorf Europa Paradigma Est / Associazione Culturale il Sestante / Trieste DIE GROSSE / Museum Kunstpalast / Düsseldorf Lynx Contemporary Art Prize / Fortezza Nuova / Livorno Focus photo I.a. / Los Angeles

2015

The High Rollers / Neue Nachbarschaft / Berlin Venezia Contemporary Open Art / Venice Lynx Contemporary Art Prize / Lokarjeva Gallery / Ajdovscina Lynx Contemporary Art Price / Lux Gallery / Trieste See that horsey it ain't shiny / W57 / Düsseldorf

CAPTURE

"Raphael Brunk belongs to the generation of photographic artists who go beyond conventional photography. Instead of photos, he creates images. These do not leave it at illustrating a reality, but provide insights into a virtual reality that usually takes place behind the scenes. In the series "Captures" Raphael Brunk deals with virtual landscapes and architecture. This is a new form of photography. Not only because his objects come from the digital world, but also because his camera is digital through and through. Brunk has had software developers "write" a virtual camera for him. This allows him to enter the inside of computer games and take pictures of places that were not visible before. The surreal impression of the images has nothing to do with a collage. Certain things are missing in the meta-levels of the virtual image worlds, such as the ground of free-floating palm trees or even whole parts of buildings. Brunk also intervenes in the creation of the pictures when he sets colour gradients or times of day, thereby giving the compositional arrangement of the virtual world a new atmosphere."



Daniel Schierke



Offshore 2017 C-Print Diasec 160cm X 120cm



Disturb_07 2017 C-Print Diasec 180cm X 135cm

IMG_

"In his large-format work IMG_098 Raphael Brunk embarks on a digital-archaeological journey. Books, 50 years and older, are scanned and subjected to a kind of digital light painting. The data structures of the scanned book pages, which are otherwise hidden from the human eye, become visible on the canvas in this way. The original layout and motifs of the book page disappear almost completely behind the pixels, algorithms and digital data of the scan. Only a single element of an airplane is not fragmented and remains recognizable as a reference in its representational form. The barcode aesthetics of the rest of the image space illustrates the visualization of a digital data structure that was already created in the background data of the scan. The actually visible book page disappears completely in this way. Through light, movement and algorithms, its digital depth layers can be experienced in the large format of the canvas."

Janine Blöß

IMG_098 2018 Inkjet on canvas 180cm X 135cm





IMG_088 2018 Inkjet on canvas 180cm X 135cm



IMG_086 2018 Inkjet on canvas 180cm X 135cm



IMG_195 2018 Inkjet on canvas 180cm X 135cm



IMG_196 2018 Inkjet on canvas 180cm X 135cm

#HEX

"In his latest group of works #HEX, Brunk consistently continues what he previously established in his Capture and IMG_ series. The viewer is invited to examine his works in direct close-up view in order to grasp the subtleties and nuanced depths of the works. Brunk irritates the viewer with technical and conceptual means: Are his works paintings, prints or even collages? Are they purely abstract or fundamentally figurative? Even if it doesn't seem so at first glance, digital image files serve as initial source material here. In their appearance, partly following the characteristic style of classical oil painting, the boundaries between digital and analogue painting become blurred on closer examination. The titles of the works are derived from the average hex color value of their individual pixels and ultimately locate them clearly again in their digital origin."

Sandra Gunzelmann

#c2d1c1 2020 UV-Print on Alucore 180cm X 140cm





#827048 2020 UV-Print on Alucore 250cm X 150cm



#774e4b 2020 UV-Print on Alucore 180cm X 140cm each



#b79da3 2020 UV-Print on Alucore 180cm X 140cm



#d4dfdf 2020 UV-Print on Alucore 120cm X 87cm



#62697c 2020 UV-Print on Alucore 180cm X 140cm each

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