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Johannes Gierlinger (*1985)

In seiner Arbeit beschäftigt er sich mit Formen des Gedächtnisses und der Erinnerung sowie mit Perspektiven des Widerstands und der Zukunft. Dabei untersucht er visuelle Darstellungsformen, Konstellationen und Verbindungen zwischen verschiedenen Epochen und politischen Systemen und fragt, inwieweit deren Strukturen und Wirkungen in den heutigen Gesellschaften und Systemen verwoben, sichtbar und spürbar sind. Seine Arbeiten wurden mit zahlreichen Preisen und Stipendien ausgezeichnet, u.a. mit dem Birgit Jürgenssen Preis, dem Bmkoes Outstanding Artist Award für Film, dem ZINEBI Bilbao - Unicef Award, dem Jahresstipendium für Film - Land Salzburg, dem Diagonale Dokumentarfilm Kurzfilmpreis. Er zeigte seine Arbeiten bei nationalen sowie internationalen Filmfestivals & Institution, unter anderem Visions Du Réel Nyon (CH), EMAF Osnabrück (DE), CPH:DOX (DK), IMPAKT Festival (NL), ZINEBI Bilbao (ESP), Belvedere21 (AT), Werkleitz Zentrum für Medienkunst (DE), Filmmakers Milano (IT), Museum der Moderne Salzburg (AT), Bienal de Artes Mediales de Santiago (CL), Edinburgh IFF (GB), Bergamo Film Meeting (IT), Dokufest (KOS), Antimatter [Media Art] (CA), Kassel Dokfest (DE), rotor Graz (AT), Salzburger Kunstverein (AT), Diagonale Graz (AT). Lebt und arbeitet in Wien.

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Johannes Gierlinger (*1985). In his work, he deals with forms of memory and remembrance as well as perspectives of resistance and future. In this context, he examines visual forms of representation, constellations and connections between different epochs and political systems and asks to what extent their structures and effects are interwoven, visible and perceptible in today’s societies and systems. His work has been awarded numerous prizes and grants, including the Birgit Jürgenssen Award, ZINEBI Bilbao - Unicef Award, Bmkoes Outstanding Artist Award for Film, Annual Scholarship for Film - Federal state Salzburg, the Diagonale Documentary Short Film Award. He showed his work at national and international film festivals & institution, among others Visions Du Réel Nyon (CH), EMAF Osnabrück (DE), CPH:DOX (DK), IMPAKT Festival (NL), ZINEBI Bilbao (ESP), Belvedere21 (AT), Werkleitz Zentrum für Medienkunst (DE), Filmmakers Milano (IT), Museum der Moderne Salzburg (AT), Bienal de Artes Mediales de Santiago (CL), Edinburgh IFF (GB), Bergamo Film Meeting (IT), Dokufest (KOS), Antimatter [Media Art] (CA), Kassel Dokfest (DE), rotor Graz (AT), Salzburger Kunstverein (AT), Diagonale Graz (AT). Lives and works in Vienna.

AUSBILDUNG/EDUCATION

- 2011 - 2017 Akademie der bildenden Künste Wien / Academy of Fine Arts Vienna - Kunst & Digitale Medien
- 2009 - 2010 Erasmus - Film and Visuell Communication - Bilgi University Istanbul
- 2007 - 2010 - Digital Media - University of applied sciences Salzburg / BA

STIPENDIEN/PREISE / SCHOLARSHIPS / AWARDS

- ZINEBI Bilbao - Unicef Award, Spain, 2025
- This Human World Film Festival - Honorable Mention, Austria 2025
- Working Grant for Film - Federal State Government Salzburg, Austria, 2025
- Concurso Int. de Artes Mediales Juan Downey- Honorable Mention, Chile, 2024
- Outstanding Artist Award für Film, Austria, 2022
- Förderungspreis der Stadt Wien für bildende Kunst, Austria, 2021
- Artist in Residency in Tirana - Stipendium Kulturabteilung Land Salzburg, Austria 2021
- KEP Stipendium- Kulturabteilung Land Salzburg, Austria, 2020
- Arbeitsstipendium - Bundesministerium für Kunst & Kultur, Abteilung Film, Austria 2019/20
- Startstipendium, Bundesministerium für Kunst und Kultur, Austria, 2019
- Best Short Documentary - Diagonale Film Festival, Austria 2019
- Theodor Körner Förderpreis, Austria, 2018
- Simon S. Preis, Austria, 2018
- ArtStart Stipendium, Austria, 2018
- Birgit Jürgenssen Preis, Austria 2017
- Arbeitsstipendium- Stadt Salzburg, Austria 2017
- CPH:LAB Grant - CPH:DOX Copenhagen, Denmark, 2015
- Ö1-Talentstipendium für bildende Kunst, Austria, 2015
- Fohn Scholarship - Emanuel und Sofie Fohn-Stipendienstiftung, Austria, 2015
- Docutiff Tirana International Filmfestival - Bester Dokumentarfilm, Albania 2015
- Auslandsatelier Stipendium Land Salzburg - Residency in Varanasi, Austria, 2014/15

SCREENINGS (AUSWAHL/SELECTION 2012 - 2025)

ZINEBI - Int. Festival of Documentary & Short Film Bilbao, 2025, Spain
Kassel Dokfest- Documentary Film and Video Festival , 2025, Germany
This Human World Film Festival, 2025, Austria
Bucharest International Experimental Film Festival, 2025, Romania
DokumentART – European Film Festival, Neubrandenburg, 2025
ARKIPEL Jakarta Int. Documentary & Experimental Film Festival, 2025, Indoensia
IFFI Innsbruck Int. Film Festival, 2025, Austria
Kino Otok – Isola Cinema Int. Film Festival, Slovenia
Strangloscope Mostra Int. Filme Experimental Festival, 2025, Brasil
Supergau - Festival for contemporary arts, 2025, Austria
43rd BMF Bergamo Film Meeting, 2025, Italy
BEFF - Bangkok Experimental Film Festival, 2025, Thailand
Busan International Video Art Festival, 2024, Republic of Korea
Les Instants Vidéo Marseille - Friche la Belle de Mai, 2024, France
Concurso Int. de Artes Mediales y Audiovisuales Juan Downey, 2024, Chile
Alternative Film/Video, 2024, Serbia
Blicke Filmfestival des Ruhrgebiets, 2024, Germany
Laterale Film Festival, 2024, Italy
European Media Art Festival (EMAF), 2024, Germany
Laterale Film Festival, 2024, Italy
Paxos Biennale - Manifesto of Memory , 2024, Greece
Accademia di Belle Arti G. Carrara Bergamo, 2024, Italy
ICDOCS Iowa City Int. Documentary Film Festival 2024, USA
Unscharfe Grenzen, Fotogalerie Wien, 2024, Austria
Antimatter [Media Art], 2023, Canada
Aesthetica Short Film Festival, 2023, UK
The Pugniant Film Series, 2023, Greece
This Human World FF, 2023, Austria
Festival Inter. de Cine Independiente de La Plata, 2023, Argentina
Dobra Festival Int’l de Cinema Experimental, 2023, Brazil
Diagonale Graz, 2023, Austria
Videaktion #4 - Raum für drastische Maßnahmen Berlin, 2023, Germany
Bergamo Film Meeting, 2023, Italy
IMPAKT Festival Utrecht, 2022, Netherlands
Festival Les Instants Vidéo Marseille 2022, France
IHRFF Albania, 2022, Albania
Bienal de Artes Mediales Santiago, 2022, Chile
Stuttgarter Filmwinter - 'Umbrales' Program curated by Florian Wüst, 2022, Germany
Youki, International Youth Media Festival, 2022, Austria
Das Kino Salzburg in cooperation w/ Salzburger Kunstverein, 2022, Austria
This Human World Filmfestival, 2021, Austria
Diagonale Graz, 2021, Austria
Vienna Shorts Festival, 2021, Austria
Augenblick Festival du cinéma Strasbourg, 2021, France
Short Waves Festival Poznan, 2021, Poland
Kino Armata Pristina, 2021, Kosovo
Simultan Festival Timișoara, 2021, Romania
Filmmaker Festival Internazionale di Cinema Milano 2020, Italy
Vienna Shorts, 2020, Austria
The Moving Image Research Centre - University of East London 2020, UK
Filmhuis Cavia - Cinéma La Clef Rerun #1 en #2 2020, Netherlands
Diagonale Graz, 2019, Austria
Rotor - Association For Contemporary Art Graz, 2019, Austria
Vienna Shorts, 2019, Austria

Odense International Film Festival 2019, Denmark
Iceland Documentary Filmfestival, 2019, Iceland
Visions du Réel Nyon, 2018, Switzerland
Dokufest Prisen, 2018, Republic of Kosovo
FIC Valdivia, 2018, Chile
DokumentART 2018, Germany
Microscope Gallery NY, 2018, USA
Festival Film Dokumenter Yogyakarta 2018, Indonesia
Documentarist Istanbul, 2018, Turkey
Temporal Disorder - Galerie für Zeitgenössische Kunst Leipzig, 2017, Germany
Diagonale Graz, 2017, Austria
21er Haus Museum of Contemporary Art - Blickle Kino, 2017, Austria
Macao Nuovo Centro Per Le Arti Di Milano 2017, Italy
Cairo Video Festival, 2017, Egypt
Experimental Film Festival Process Riga - Essayfilm Section 2017, Latvia
Festival Internacional de Cine Independiente de Mar del Plata 2017, Argentina
L'Alternativa, Festival de Cinema Independent de Barcelona, 2016, Spain
Edinburgh International Film Festival, 2016, UK
Pravo Ljudski Film Festival Sarajevo, 2016, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Doku.Arts - Essaydox Berlin, 2016, Germany
Viennacontemporary Cinema Program, 2016, Austria
Kino Palacio Nacional de las Artes - Buenos Aires, 2016, Argentina
Marfici - Festival Inter. de Cine Independiente de Mar del Plata 2016, Argentina
Diagonale Graz 2016, Austria
Edinburgh International Film Festival, 2016, UK
City Screen Festival Barcelona 2016, Spain
Darb 1718 - Contemporary Art and Culture Center Cairo, 2016, Egypt
Ibaff Festival Internacional de Cine Murcia 2016, Spain
Festival Internacional de Cine Independiente de La Plata 2015, Argentina
Docutiff Tirana - Award for Best Feature 2015, Albania
Brasília International Film Festival 2015, Brazil
Festival Film Dokumenter 2015, Indonesia
FOL - For Cinema Society Istanbul, 2015
Documentarist Istanbul, 2015
CPH:DOX Copenhagen - Dox Award Competition 2014
Cine de Experimental - Museum of Modern Art Buenos Aires, 2014
Vienna Independent Shorts filmfestival - 2014, Austria
Melbourne International Animation Festival 2013, Australia
Cine B Film Festival Santiago de Chile 2013, Chile
Festival Alternative Film/Video 2013, Serbia
Melbourne International Animation Festival 2013, Australia
LIAF London International Animation Festival 2013, UK
Images Contre Nature - International festival of experimental video 2013, France
Hubert Sielecki Award Screening at Künstlerhaus Vienna 2013, Austria
MUMOK Screening - Proben aufs Exempel, Vienna, 2013, Austria
Flex - The Florida Experimental Film and Video Festival 2013, USA
MIA Screening - The Armory Center for the Arts - 2013, USA
Experiments in Cinema v8.53 Festival 2013, USA
Kassel Documentary and Videofestival, Germany, 2013
Cork Film Festival 2012 (Free Radical Section), Irland
Silhouette Courts métrages Festival 2012, France
Videomedeja International Video Festival Novi Sad 2012, Serbia
Festival International Du Court Métrage Lille, 2012, France
Dresden Schmalfilmtage 2012, Germany
Backup Filmfestival Weimar 2012 (Award for best Experimentalfilm) , Germany

AUSSTELLUNGEN / EXHIBITIONS (AUSWAHL/SELECTION 2012-2025)

Galerie Fünfigzwanzig, Every Epoch Not Only Dreams the Next, 2026, Austria (Solo) / UPCOMING

Industra Brno - Every Epoch Dreams the Next, 2025, Czech Republic (Solo)

Bienal de Artes Mediales de Santiago 2025, Chile

Museum der Moderne Salzburg - Der Raum in unseren Köpfen / Body Space 2024/2025, Austria

Space Heem Busan - Busan International Video Art Festival 2024, Republic of Korea

Traklhaus Salzburg - Supergau - Zwischenstopp bei Trakl, 2024, Austria

Limburg Biënnale, Marres House of Contemporary Culture Maastricht, 2024

Leopold Museum - Unknown Familiars 2024, Austria

Dobra Festival Int'l de Cinema Experimental - Cinemateca do MAM Rio de Janeiro, 2023, Brazil

Deluge Contemporary Art - Let's Get Lost, 2023, Canada

MATCA Cluj-Napoca - Opposing the Neverchanging, 2023, Romania

Kunst im Traklhaus - Collection Land Salzburg 2020-2022, 2022/23, Austria

Callirrhoe - Commemorating Amnesia, Athens, 2022, Greece

Kunstverein Schattendorf - nonstop, 2022, Austria

Kunst-Litfaßsäulen - Digital City lights- Public Art Project Salzburg, 2022, Austria

Salzburger Kunstverein - Is it Me? Am I the Drama?, 2022, Austria

ZETA Center for Contemporary Art Tirana - 'a history of ideas, 2021, Albania (Solo)

das weisse haus - Travel Apparatus, 2020, Austria

Members Zone #20 - Salzburger Kunstverein,, 2020 (Online), Austria

Stadtgalerie Waidhofen/Ybbs - Alphabet des anarchistischen Amateurs, 2020, Austria

Salzburger Kunstverein, Petition, 2019/20, Austria

Kunstraum St. Virgil - Kardinal König Art Prize, 2019/20, Austria

Rotor - Association For Contemporary Art Graz, 2019/20, Austria

Werkleitz Festival - Modell & Ruine, 2019, Germany

Kunstraum Innsbruck, 2019, Austria

Belvedere 21 Museum of Contemporary Art Vienna, Über das Neue, 2019, Austria

Salzburger Kunstverein, A Passanger, 2018, Austria

Belvedere 21 Museum of Contemporary Art Vienna, Der Wert der Freiheit, 2018, Austria

Flatland Gallery Houston, The Dangerous Professor, 2018, USA

das weisse haus vienna, Current signs, 2018, Austria

Lebanese Biennale of Contemporary Art, 2017, Lebanon

Academy of Fine Arts Vienna Aula, Birgit Jürgenssen Prize Exhibition, 2017, Lebanon (Solo)

Museo de Arte Moderno Chiloé, 2017, Chile

Dok Artist Space - Edinburgh, 2016, UK

Espai 10 - Laboratorio de las Artes Contemporáneas Barcelona, 2016, Spain

Kunstforum Vienna - Tresor, Ö1 Scholarships Show, 2015, Austria

Galerie Traklhaus Salzburg, 100, 2015, Austria

Indonesia Media Arts Festival - Galerie National Indonesia Jakarta, 2015, Indonesia

Raum für Kunst - KunstQuartier Salzburg, Über das Scheitern, 2013, Austria

Kunsthalle Vienna, Vienna, Early bird, 2013, Austria

Friday Exit Vienna, So glad we stopped talking, 2013, Austria

Salzburger Kunstverein - Annual exhibition Salzburg, Every wall is a door, 2012, Austria

Atelier XY - Eyes On, Monat der Fotografie, Badlands 2012, Austria

INTERVIEWS / REVIEWS / PRINT (AUSWAHL / SELECTION)

Dokrevue - Johannes Gierlinger. Utopické sny o nejmladším městě světa by Tomáš Hudák, 2025

Museum der Moderne Salzburg - Der Raum in unseren Köpfen / Body Space 2024/2025, Austria

Unknown Familiars - Die Sammlungen des Wiener Städtischen Versicherungsvereins, VFMK, 2024, Austria

Birgit-Jürgenssen Award Publication, Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, 2023, Austria

Österreich real. Dokumentarfilm 1981-2021, Filmarchiv Austria, Alejandro Bachmann, Michelle Koch, 2022, Austria

Interview for dwhx space project / In conversation with Niyati Dave, 2022, Austria

Petition edited by Philippe Batka published by Verlag für moderne Kunst, 2021, Austria,

Interview at Salzburger Nachrichten - Spezial Filmzeitung, 2021, Austria

Review of 'Die vergangenen Zukünfte' at GAT Architektur Steiermark - Dossier, 2021, Austria

The Anarchistic Amateur's Art & Alphabet - Published by Margarethe Makovec & Anton Lederer, Rotor, 2021, Austria

Tagebuch Zeitschrift - 'Bilder der Auseinandersetzung' selected by Camera Austria, 2021, Austria

Camera Austria International - #150/151 - László Moholy-Nagy book review, 2020, Austria

Interview - Mana Contemporary, USA, 2020, (online)

Camera Austria International - #149 - Forum Section, Austria, 2020

Augustin Die erste österreichische Boulevardzeitung Nr 496 - 1/2020, Austria, 2020

K wie Kunst - Kardinal-König-Kunstpreis Salzburg 2019 - Mury Salzmann Verlag, Austria, 2019

Über das Neue. Junge Szenen in Wien, Editor: Stella Rollig, Severin Dünser, published by Belvedere21, Austria, 2019

Review 'Über das Neue' at Belvedere 21- Die Kunst der Millennials - by Nicole Scheyerer, 2019

Die unsichtbaren Träume - Conversation: Jugend ohne Film, 2019

The Large Glass Magazine - MoCA - Museum of Contemporary Art Skopje, Mazedonia, 2019

Der Wert der Freiheit - Editor: Stella Rollig, Severin Dünser, published by Belvedere21, Austria, 2018

Feature 'Bilder existieren immer zweimal' DER STANDARD, 2017

Review Unendliche Weiten - Jugend ohne Film, 2017

Review Die Ordnung der Träume - L' emergere del possibile, 2017

Feature - The fortune you seek is in another cookie - Salzburger Nachrichten, 2016

Online Review - L' emergere del possibile - A subsequent fulfilment of a pre-historic wish, 2016

Ö1 Talenstipendium Catalog, Austria, 2015

Ö1 Radio Feature Libero, 2015

Interview «Vielleicht ist das Glück auch etwas Chaotisches.» Austrian Film Commission, 2015

Online Review - L' emergere del possibile - The fortune you seek is in another cookie, 2015

Stimulus Respond Book - Published by Pavement Books, USA, 2014

Kritika - Outsider - Contemporary Photography Magazine published by Kritika Publication, Germany, 2013

Magazin [17] - Annual Magazin Salzburger Kunstverein, Austria, 2013

Badlands - Exhibition Catalogue published by Atelier XY, Vienna, 2012

Der Greif - Issue #6 - Contemporary Photography & Literature, Germany, 2012

LECTURES / TALKS / KURATORISCHES

Artist Talk and Screening at the Accademia di Belle Arti G. Carrara Bergamo, 2024, Italy

Artist Talk & Lecture at Sphere Festival - World Cinema Carneval, 2023, India

Lost & Found Memories Workshop at Youth Media Festival Wels, 2021, Austria

Talk at Österreichische Gesellschaft für Soziologie x This Human World, 2021, Austria

Artist Talk - Sich einer Erinnerung bemächtigen - Zeta Gallery Tirana (Online) 2020, Albania

Artist Talk at University Vienna - Politics of the documentary 2020, Austria

Artist Talk at Academy of Fine Arts Vienna - Class of Constanze Ruhm 2020, Austria

Shifting frames - at A4 Bratislava curated by Johannes Gierlinger 2019, Slovakia

Artist Talk at Belvedere21, Der Wert der Freiheit, Vienna, 2018

Lecture at Schule Friedl Kubelka für unabhängigen Film, Vienna, 2018

Talk at Temporal Disorder - Galerie für Zeitgenössische Kunst Leipzig, 2017

Tutor at Capturing Humanity Filmlab Sarajevo 2017, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Talk at International Summeracademy of Fine Arts - Filmclass, 2017, Austria

Tutor at Documentary Film School - Pravo Ljudski Sarajevo, 2017, Bosnia & Herzegovina

Cinema Futures. Analog & digital in the present: Lecture at Diagonale Graz, Austria

INTERVENTIONS/PERFORMATIVE WORKS / ART IN PUBLIC SPACE

‘Demokratie leben’ initiative in public space by Gewista & the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, Austria, 2026

collaborative theatrical intervention ‘Rindsrevue’ at TKI Tirol , Austria, 2024

collaborative theatrical intervention ‘Rindsrevue’ at Viertelfestival Zwettl, Austria, 2023

SAMMLUNGEN / COLLECTION

Collection Wien Museum

Collection Museum of Contemporary Art of Bogotá

Collection Land Salzburg

Collection City of Salzburg

Collection Filmmuseum Austria

Sammlung Wiener Städtische