

ARTIST BIO

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Christian Achenbach is a German sculptor and painter. Achenbach studied at the University of Art in Berlin with Burkhard Held, Daniel Richter and Anselm Reyle and graduated from Anselm Reyle's master class in 2007.

With his artistic roots in 20th century art history, Achenbach composes his own aesthetic symphony of the knownisms framed in a fresh postmodern perspective. Achenbach's creative process lends itself to the world of musical composition where the multiplicity of violent clashing of colors and shapes emphasizes the shift of tonality, thereby conjuring a materiality of sound.

Modernism, Dadaism and Cubism are undeniably present in each painting where no central motif is to be found, but geometric shapes and symbols instead rhizomatically spirals in and out of each other. Much like the music in which Achenbach finds his inspiration, the definite outlines are blurry, the array of colors explosive.

Christian Achenbach lives and works in Berlin. In 2008 he was an artist in residence at Statens Værksteder for Kunst og Håndværk in Copenhagen. He has exhibited widely in Germany and Denmark as well as internationally.



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SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Terra Incognita*, Galerie Mazzoli, Berlin, Germany
 2022 *Objects & Scapes*, Galerie Isa, Mumbai, India
 India Art Fair, Galerie Isa, New Delhi, India
 2020 *Isotopes*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
 2019 *New Works*, Galleria Mazzoli, Düsseldorf, Germany
 2018 *Kaleidokope*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
 2017 *Unique*, Galleria Poggiali, Pietrasanta, Italy
Le Solan, Galerie Marc de Puechredon, Basel, Switzerland
 2016 *Le Salon*, WhiteSpaceBlackBox, Neochatel, Switzerland
 2015 *Deus ex machina*, KunstraumDüsseldorf, Düsseldorf, Germany
 2014 *Acupalco*, Sexauer Gallery, Berlin, Germany
 2013 Vendsyssel Kunstmuseum, Vendsyssel, Denmark
 Kastrupgaard Samlingen, Copenhagen, Denmark
 2012 *Bahomas*, Städtisches Museum, Engen, Denmark
Christian Achenbach, LARMgalleri, Copenhagen, Denmark
Rien du Chien, Laden für Nichts, Leipzig, Germany
 2011 *OPERA – Paintings from Berlin*, Galleria Mazzoli, Modena, Italy
 2010 *Le Peintre et son modèle*, Wendt + Friedmann Galerie, Berlin, Germany
 2009 *Lost and Found*, LARMgalleri, Copenhagen, Denmark
 2008 *Zorlac*, Wendt + Friedmann Galerie, Berlin, Germany
Ghostwriter, LARMgalleri, Copenhagen, Denmark
 2007 *...wenn das Licht angeht*, Wendt + Friedmann Galerie, Berlin, Germany
 2005 *Drei wird Vier*, with Jim Avignon, Agentur Dreispringer, Berlin, Germany
 2004 *Noch 70 Tage bis Olympia*, Illgalleries, Berlin, Germany
Home is where the heart is, Kulturverein Badstraße, Siegen, Germany

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 *The Great Big Winter Show #4*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
 2022 *Flower*, Choi & Choi Gallery, Seoul, South Korea
 Art Busan, Choi & Choi Gallery, Busan, South Korea
 Art Herning, Hans Alf Gallery, Herning, Denmark
 Art Abu Dhabi, Galerie Isa, Abu Dhabi, UAE
 Enter Art Fair, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Going Places, Galerie Nicole Gnesa, Munich, Germany
 2021 ENTER Art Fair, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
 2020 *Beyond Elysium*, MOMENTUM / KleinerVonWiese Pop-Up, Berlin, Germany
 2019 ENTER Art Fair, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
The New Abstract, Galerie Kremers, Berlin, Germany

- 2018 +1 (Curated by Peter Ungeheuer), Safe Galley, Berlin, Germany
 CODE Art Fair, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
 NGORONGORO II, Artist Weekend Berlin, Berlin, Germany
- 2015 NGORONGORO, Artist Weekend Berlin, Berlin, Germany
- 2014 *Imaginarium*, LARMgalleri, Copenhagen, Denmark
Wahrheiten, Bayer Kulturhaus, Leverkusen, Germany
Kolibri, Kolibri Ballhaus, Berlin, Germany
Loitering with intent, Galerie Börgmann, Mönchengladbach, Germany
PT14, Janus Bygningen, Tistrup, Denmark
- 2013 *Weltenschöpfer*, Museum der bildenden Künste, Leipzig, Germany
ALLES WASSER, Galerie Mikael Andersen, Copenhagen, Denmark
BLOMSTERS/FLOWERS, Galerie Mikael Andersen, Berlin, Germany
Growth, Charlotte Fogh Gallery, Aarhus, Denmark
Babylon, Wendt und Friedmann Galerie, Berlin, Germany
- 2012 *Alles Wasser*, Galerie Mikael Andersen, Berlin, Germany
CLAIM, Neue Berliner Räume, Berlin, Germany
- 2011 *Dinner für Spinner*, Laden für Nichts, Leipzig, Germany
Black Beauty – White Swan, Wendt + Friedmann Galerie, Berlin, Germany
KRAUT, Schau Fenster, Berlin, Germany
Baroque, LARMgalleri, Copenhagen, Denmark
Verschwende deine Jugend, Wendt + Friedmann Galerie, Berlin, Germany
- 2010 *ALPTRAUM*, Transformer, Washington, DC
Gewalten, Laden fuer Nichts, Leipzig, Germany
A Formal Figure, The Forgotten Bar / Galerie im Regierungsviertel, Berlin, Germany
Radical Adults, The Forgotten Bar / Galerie im Regierungsviertel, Berlin, Germany
Night of the Pawn, Spinnereigelände, Leipzig, Germany
Hostile Aestetik Takeover, Appartment, Berlin, Germany
- 2009 *Zaunkönig*, Wendt + Friedmann Galerie, Berlin, Germany
Das Unheimliche, Modulatorhaus, Berlin, Germany
Contemporary Home, Kassel, Projektraum in Documenta, Kassel, Germany
Prime Time, Wendt + Friedmann Galerie, Berlin, Germany
- 2006 *Farewell Berlin*, curated by Daniel Richter, Von Brun, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 2004 *Friendly Capitalism Lounge 9*, Haus Schwarzenberg, Berlin, Germany
- 2003 *Friendly Capitalism Lounge 8*, Haus Schwarzenberg, Berlin, Germany