

# Lenz Geerk

## Biografia

Lenz Geerk è nato nel 1988 a Basilea, in Svizzera; vive e lavora a Düsseldorf, in Germania.

Lenz Geerk crea dipinti di forte impatto psicologico, lontani da qualsiasi tempo o luogo specifico. Con uno stile ben radicato nella storia dell'arte, Geerk mostra una tecnica unica e riconoscibile. I personaggi dei suoi dipinti sembrano nascere dai sogni e sono rappresentati in un modo tale da rivelare le emozioni nascoste della psiche umana.

Geerk, nei suoi dipinti, utilizza posture e gesti per esprimere un momento fragile, non derivato da un modello specifico o da una fotografia, ma espresso attraverso l'atmosfera e il linguaggio del corpo. Le sue tavolozze quasi monocromatiche, con occasionali tonalità calde, rafforzano ulteriormente l'aura di tensione emotiva delle sue opere.

L'attenzione dell'artista per l'isolamento distingue le sue creature dal linguaggio visivo ordinario e obsoleto del nostro tempo. Al contrario, l'artista invita lo spettatore a vivere momenti di umorismo e tenerezza attraverso la sua immaginazione. Geerk non protesta e non si lascia andare, ma invita all'intimità, all'introversione e alla riflessione. Nei suoi dipinti, Geerk cattura l'essenza della nostra condizione, esplorando le profondità della psiche e le complessità delle emozioni umane.

### Esposizioni personali

#### 2025

2025 - Forthcoming, MASSIMODECARLO, London, UK

#### 2024

2024 - Forthcoming, Roberts Projects, Los Angeles, USA

#### 2022

2022 - Arrival, Roberts Projects, Los Angeles, CA

2022 - Moonpaintings, MASSIMODECARLO, Milano, IT

#### 2020

2020 - Wuthering Heights, Roberts Projects (Online exhibition), Los Angeles, USA

2020 - Sleepless, Mammoth, London, UK

#### 2019

2019 - Mixed Blessings, Roberts Projects, Los Angeles, USA

#### 2018

2018 - Pears & Pearls, Galleria Acappella, Napoli, I

2018 - Wywh, The Cabin, Los Angeles, CA

2018 - The Table Portraits, Roberts Projects, Los Angeles, USA

## **2017**

2017 - Nudo, Galeria Mascota, Mexico City, MEX  
2017 - Crying, Spitting, Sweating, Galerie Valentin, Paris, F

## **2016**

2016 - Lotion, Gerhard Hofland Gallery, Amsterdam, NL

## **2015**

2015 - The O, Mark Christopher Gallery, Toronto, CDN  
2015 - Jäger, dst Galerie, Munster, D  
2015 - Closer, Stadtische Galerie Stapflehus, Kunstverein Weil am Rhein, D

## **2014**

2014 - Omen with Jurgen Malcherek, Anna Klinkhammer Galerie, Dusseldorf, D

## **2012**

2012 - Teenage Angst, Anna Klinkhammer Galerie, Dusseldorf, D

## **2011**

2011 - Fruhlings Erwachen, Anna Klinkhammer Galerie, Dusseldorf, D

## **Esposizioni collettive**

## **2024**

2024 - Intimacy rarely makes sense of things, Shanghai Pond Society, Shanghai, PRC

## **2023**

2023 - ORIZZONTI, a cura di Cloe Perrone, Daniele Fenaroli, Casa Masaccio | Centro per l'Arte Contemporanea, San Giovanni Valdarno, I

## **2022**

2022 - In Bloom, MASSIMODECARLO Pièce Unique, Paris, F  
2022 - My Reflection of You, The Perimeter, London, UK  
2022 - The Drawing Centre Show, Le Consortium, Dijon, F  
2022 - Uncanny Interiors, Nicola Vassel Gallery, New York, USA  
2022 - Highlights of the Collection, The Kunsthaus Zürich, Zürich, CH  
2022 - Art Paris, Grand Palais Ephemere, Paris, F  
2022 - Art Basel Hong Kong, Hong Kong Convention Center, Hong Kong, PRC

## **2021**

2021 - Go Figure!?, Spruth Magers OVR,  
2021 - Portraiture One Century Apart, MASSIMODECARLO, Milano, I  
2021 - Breakfast Under the Tree, a cura di Russell Tovey, Carl Freedman Gallery, Margate, UK  
2021 - Lenz Geerk, Rute Merk, Alexis Ralaivao, Hussenot Galerie, Paris, F  
2021 - Salon de Peinture, Almine Rech, New York, USA  
2021 - Sleep, Haverkamp Galerie, Berlin, D  
2021 - Life in Flowers, Luce Gallery, Torino, I  
2021 - Equal Affections, GRIMM, Amsterdam, NL  
2021 - Portraiture One Century Apart, MASSIMODECARLO Pièce Unique, Paris, F  
2021 - New Now, Xiao Foundation, Rizhao, PRC  
2021 - Poisonous Kiss. Lovely Venom, Tick Tack, Antwerp, BE

## **2020**

2020 - The Edge of Blue, Gallery Platform Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA  
2020 - Wuthering Heights, Roberts Projects, Los Angeles, CA  
2020 - Wish You Were Here, Roberts Projects, Los Angeles, USA  
2020 - Synchronicity, Roberts Projects, Los Angeles, USA  
2020 - Good Pictures, Jeffrey Deitch Gallery, New York, USA

**2019**

2019 - Role Play, Maximillian William, London, UK  
2019 - Behind Face, Roberts Projects, Los Angeles, CA

**2018**

2018 - 01, a cura di Danny Lamb, PM/AM Gallery, London, UK  
2018 - Unfollow Me, Nir Altman Galerie, Munich, D  
2018 - PabloPabloPablo, Cabinet Printemps, Dusseldorf, D

**2017**

2017 - 75 Works on Paper, Beers, London, UK

**2016**

2016 - Es Gibt Hummer, Anna Klinkhammer Galerie, Dusseldorf, D  
2016 - Closer, Thierry Goldberg Gallery, New York, USA

**2015**

2015 - One of Us Cannot Be Wrong, Anna Klinkhammer Galerie, Dusseldorf, D  
2015 - Grenznah, Galerie Skolskà 28, Prague, CZ  
2015 - Ein Zimmer Fur Alfred Flechtheim, Osthaus Museum, Hagen, D

**2014**

2014 - German Kleinformat, Kunstverein Koelnberg, Cologne, D  
2014 - Ce Que Je Suis Maintenant, Rompone Art Space, Cologne, D  
2014 - Zum Schwarzen Hund, gfk, gfk, Baden-Baden, D  
2014 - See what the boys in the backroom will have, Anna Klinkhammer Galerie, Dusseldorf, D  
2014 - Mac International, Belfast, IRL

**2013**

2013 - Rembrandt Ruft, Villa Goecke, Krefeled, D  
2013 - Darling Darling, Philara Sammlung zeitgenossischer Kunst, Dusseldorf, D  
2013 - Grauomenta, Kunstlerhaus Dortmund, Dortmund, D  
2013 - Members of the family, Kunstverein Emmerich, Emmerich, D  
2013 - Goddamn! Here I am, Ausstellungsraum Klingental, Basel, CH

**2012**

2012 - Prestige, Anna Klinkhammer Galerie, Dusseldorf, D

**2010**

2010 - All you can eat, Anna Klinkhammer Galerie, Dusseldorf, D  
2010 - Und Immer Fehlt Mir Etwas Und Das Qualt, Kunstgruppe Kunstverein Cologne, Cologne, D

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## 2022

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Albertini, Rosanna. "Arrival: Lenz Geerk", *Albertini the Kite*, August 2022.

Dozier, Ayanna. "Lenz Geerk's Moody Paintings Make the Mundane Feel Cinematic", *Artsy*, July 2022.

## 2021

Helou Hernandez, Samanta. "Sculptures in Showers, Paintings Above Toilets: Moments From the Felix Art Fair", *Hyperallergic*, July 2021.

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## 2020

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## 2019

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Miranda, Carolina. "Art Openings, in LA This Week: Lenz Geerk at Roberts Projects", *L.A. Times*, 2019.

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## 2018

Horst, Aaron. "Lenz Geerk at Roberts Projects", *Contemporary Art Review*, September 2018.

Wood, Eve. "Lenz Geerk: A Glance in Place of a Smile", *Artillery*, November 2018.

# Public Collections

## **China**

HEM Museum, Shunde  
X Museum, Shanghai  
XIAO Museum, Shandong

## **France**

Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris

## **Israel**

Tel Aviv Museum of Art, Tel Aviv

## **Italy**

Fondazione Sandretto Re Rebaudengo, Turin

## **Japan**

Comico Art Museum, Oita

## **Norway**

Kistefos Museum, Oslo

## **Puerto Rico**

Up Next Art, Vega Baja

## **Switzerland**

The Kunsthaus Zürich, Zürich

## **United Arab Emirates**

The Arts Club Dubai, ICD Brookfield Place, DIFC, Dubai

## **United States of America**

Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami, FL  
The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA  
Hirshhorn Museum, Washington D.C.