

## Radek Brousil

Radek Brousil is a Czech artist. He works predominantly with textiles, alongside ceramics, film, photography and video. His themes address social testimony, presenting an activist expression on an uncertain future. Brousil defines social, cultural and environmental problems using unexpected interpretations and terminology, and chooses rather to look at these issues on a symbolic, personal and emotional level. His interest focuses on post-colonial tendencies in contemporary artistic discourse, for example, his investigation into the issue of the origin and distribution of flowers or textiles. Through his work with textiles, Brousil emphasises their Czech origin and African destiny, enabling him to highlight the problems of market economy and its power structures.

Radek Brousil graduated from the Studio of Photography at the Academy of Arts, Architecture and Design in Prague, where he is currently continuing his doctoral studies. In 2015 he received the Oscar Čepan Award for Young Visual Artists. His work is included in local and international private and institutional collections.

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### Education:

2006-2022 – Academy of Art, Architecture and Design in Prague - PhD unfinished 2002 - 2009 – Academy of Art, Architecture and Design in Prague - Studio of Photography - Masters  
2008-2009 – London College of Communication  
2006-2007 – Concordia University Montreal - Studio of Photography - Raymonde April studio  
2002-2003 – Academy of Fine Arts in Prague - New Media studio, Prof. Bielicky studio

### Teaching:

2017-2018 – Scholastika Prague – Studio of Photography – Head of the studio

### Selected solo exhibitions:

2023

*Can You Still Feel the Butterflies?*, Prague City Gallery, Praga

2022

*There Was a Choir, There*, Komplot, Bruksela

2020

*There Was a Choir, There*, Glassyard Gallery, Budapeszt

2019

*Standing, Holding a Waterlily* (curator: Michal Novotny), NoD, Praga

2018

*Too Proud to Hope, Too Weak to Climb* (curator: Lumír Nykl), Berlinskej Model, Praga  
*Cool Water* (curator: Adam Budak), National Gallery, Praga

2017

*Greenfashion* (curator: Michal Novotny), Nova Cvernovka, Bratislava  
*Red Naomi* (curator: Michal Novotny), 16 Nicholson Street, Glasgow

2016

*Kodak over Fuji Unless You Want Fuji*, Youkobo Art Space, Tokio, Japonia  
*Black & White in Photography* (curator: Sandra Baborovska), Prague City Gallery, Praga  
*Black & White Photography*, Jeleni Gallery, Praga

2015

*Hands Clasped*, FAIT Gallery, Brno

2014

*Studio Works*, Fotograf Gallery, Praga

2012

*"Untitled 19 - Untitled 21"*, Atelier Josef Sudek, Praga

2011

*"Untitled 9 - Untitled 15"*, Fotograf Gallery, Praga

2009

*Image vs Reflection*, 35m<sup>2</sup> Gallery, Praga  
*Study of a Young Man*, Karlin Studios, Praga

2008

*St. Francis Comes to Montreal*, Parisian Laundry, Montreal

## Selected group and duo exhibitions:

2023

*Amicable Separation* (curated by Charlotta Kotik), Czech Centre New York

2023

*Mmmelting* (collab with Łukasz Stokłosa, curator: Natalia Barczyńska), Krupa Gallery, Wrocław

2022

*Deep Rivers Float in Silence*, Czech Centre Berlin

2021

*Club as a Shelter*, Prague City Gallery

2020

*Cruel Summer Camp*, EXILE, Vienna

2019

*When the Time Swirls, When It Turns into a Black Hole*, Futura Gallery, Prague

2018

*Liquid Bodies*, aqb project space, Budapest

*Zones of Visibility*, Glassyard Gallery, Budapest

*Whrrr Whrrr* (collab with Karen Kraven), Gallery 1718, Ottawa

*Stupid* (collab with Peter Puklus, curator: Jan Zálesák), FAIT Gallery, Brno

2017

*New Acquisitions from the Collections*, Prague City Gallery

*Medium: Figure*, Prague City Gallery

2016

*Photography Is Magic* (curated by Charlotte Cotton), Aperture Foundation, New York

*In-Depth Research*, SPZ Gallery, Prague

*Shaped Canvas*, NTK Gallery, Prague

2015

*ArtWorks Open*, Barbican Arts Group Trust, London

*Oskar Čepan Award Finalists Exhibition* (curated by Barnabas Bencsik), Košice, Slovakia

*WYSINWYS* (curated by Michal Stolarik), Soda Gallery, Bratislava

2014

*Hands* (curated by Jiří Ptáček), TIC Gallery, Brno

*SPOT*, NTK Gallery, Prague

2013

*The Intimate Circle*, Municipal Library, Prague

*Construction Works* (collab with Jan Pfeiffer), TIC Gallery, Brno

2012

*Coal and Steel*, Candid Arts Trust Gallery, London

2011

*Twist*, Tuica/Tusovka, golden PARACHUTES, Berlin

2010

*EGO Portrait x Photography*, Langhans Gallery, Prague

2009

*Residencias Exhibition*, Clube Portugues de Artes e Ideias, Lisbon

*Month of Photography*, Krakow, Poland

2008

*The Essence*, Manes Gallery, Prague

2007

*SOAP/SAVON* - Group Exhibition, Art Mur Gallery, Montreal, Canada

*GET A LIFE* - Group Exhibition, Fonderie Darling, Montreal, Canada

*PTV PRESENTS*, Galerie Espace, Montreal, Canada

2004

*PRIVATE EVOLUTION* - Group Exhibition, AAAD, Prague

### Awards:

2015 Oskar Čepan Award Winner, Young Visual Artists Award

2015 nominated for Foam Paul Huf Award

### Residencies:

2023 – Residency Unlimited, New York

2022 – ISCP, New York

2020 – Komplot, Brussels, Belgium

2019 – Delfina Foundation, London UK

2018 – Darling Foundry, Montreal Canada

2016 – Youkobo Art Space, Tokyo Japan

2012 – Banská Štábnica Contemporary, Slovakia

2011 – Czech Centre Brussels, Belgium

2010 – Internship at PMgalerie, Berlin

2009 – Residencias artisticas at Clube Portugese de Artes e Ideias, Lisbon

### Films:

2021 – *Can You Still Feel the Butterflies?*, 13 min

2017 – *Red Naomi*, 6min

### Books:

2013 – *Asides*, Artist book, published by Štokovec, Space for Culture

### Selected Art Fairs:

2024 – NADA Villa Warsaw (Krupa Gallery)

2023 – Vienna Contemporary (Krupa Gallery)

2019 – Artissima (Glassyard Gallery)

2019 – Art Verona (litost gallery)

### Works in public collections:

The National Gallery Prague

Prague City Gallery

The Museum of Decorative Arts in Prague(UMPRUM Museum)