

Here I show a selection of works.

Works that collage **postmodernism**, discuss **architecture**, imitate mechanisms of representation in the public and the media space. Works that love **the publicity and economy of the urban space**. And **music**.

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2005 – 2010 Performative Arts and Sculpture, Academy of Fine Arts, Vienna / AT (Diploma in Fine Arts)

1997 – 2004 School of Architecture, Technical University, Graz / AT (Diploma in Architecture)

2015 – 2016 International Studio and Curatorial Program (ISCP), New York / US

2009 – 2010 MAK Schindler Grant, MAK Center for Art and Architecture, Los Angeles / US

2023 – 2024 Guest Professor, Sculpture Department, AVU – Academy of Fine Arts, Prague / CZ

2012 – 2017 Assistant Professor, Department for Performative Arts and Sculpture, Prof. Monica Bonvicini, Academy of Fine Arts, Vienna / AT

Solo / Dual Exhibitions

2025 Maruša Sagadin, Longtermhandstand, Budapest / HU – cur. by Zsolt Petranyi, Péter Bencze

2025 Maruša Sagadin, Kunsthalle zu Kiel / Pop-Up / DE – cur. by Muriel Meyer

2025 Maruša Sagadin, Speak More Truth, Eat More Fruit, Kunsthaus Graz / AT – cur. by Katrin Bucher Trantow

2025 Maruša Sagadin, Dicke Haut, trotzdem ist mir kalt, Kunstraum Lakeside, Klagenfurt / AT – in coll. with Marie Oucherif

2024 Maruša Sagadin, Blaue Lippen (Kiss-mas), Heidi Horten Collection, Vienna / AT – cur. by Veronique Abpurg

2024 Schiefe Schiefer – Bianca Pedrina / Maruša Sagadin, Kunstverein Siegen / DE – cur. by Jennifer Cierlitz

2024 Maruša Sagadin, Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT

2024 Maruša Sagadin, Luv Birds in toten Winkeln, European Capital of Culture, Alte Post, Bad Ischl / AT – inv. by E. Schwegler, S. Barlian, T. Kranawetter

2023 Maruša Sagadin, Luv Birds in toten Winkeln, Schirn Kunsthalle, Frankfurt / DE – cur. by Marie Oucherif

2023 Maruša Sagadin, Fissures, Others' Houses, hunt kastner gallery, Prague / CZ – cur. by Vít Havránek

2023 Maruša Sagadin, Colorado Projects / Jochen Hempel gallery, Leipzig / DE – cur. by Vicky Wang

2022 Maruša Sagadin, Blinds, Blind Bees, Plan B, JesuitenFoyer/Jesuitenkirche, Vienna / AT

2022 Jacqueline Kiyomi Gork / Maruša Sagadin, MAK Center, Mackey Garage Top Gallery, Los Angeles / US

2022 Maruša Sagadin, Wet Feet, Cukrarna Gallery, Ljubljana / SI – cur. by Alenka Gregorič

2022 The A.B.C.D.E.F.G. of Love: Marge Monko / Maruša Sagadin, Hobusepea Gallery, Tallinn / EST

2021 Maruša Sagadin, Gallery P74, Ljubljana / SI – cur. by Tadej Pogačar

2021 Maruša Sagadin, Bildraum Bodensee, Bregenz / AT

2021 Michael Reindel / Maruša Sagadin, WAF Gallery, Vienna / AT – cur. by Lisa Jäger, Philipp Pess

2020 Thomas Reinhold / Maruša Sagadin, Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT

2020 Maruša Sagadin / Merete Slynghborg, Vestjylland Art Pavilion, Jutland / DK – cur. by Anna Margrethe Pedersen

2020 Thilo Jenssen / Maruša Sagadin, KOENIG2 by_robbygreif, Parallel, Vienna / AT

2019 Material Art Fair – Lina Lapelyte, Maruša Sagadin, with Syndicate, Mexico City / MX

2019 Maruša Sagadin, Stairs – Stage – Platform. The Reclining Imprint, Art in Public Space (KÖR), Lower Austria / AT

2018 She in Caps, KOENIG2 by_robbygreif / Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT – cur. by Robby Greif

2018 Tymek Borowski / Maruša Sagadin, Halle für Kunst und Medien, Graz / AT – cur. by Sandro Droschl

2018 Maruša Sagadin, with Syndicate, NADA New York City / US – cur. by JL Murtaugh

2018/2019 Maruša Sagadin, B-Girls, Go!, Art in Public Space (KÖR Wien), Vienna / AT

2017 Tymek Borowski / Maruša Sagadin, ACF Warsaw, Warsaw / PL – cur. by Sandro Droschl

2016 Doris Ionic Iconic, Space, London / UK – cur. by Persilia Caton

2016 Terra Cotta, Panna Cotta, Syndicate, Cologne / DE – cur. by JL Murtaugh

2015 Tivoli, Cultural Center Tobačna 001, Museum and Galleries of Ljubljana – MGML / SI – cur. by Alenka Trebušak

2015 Tschumi Alumni – Room of Requirement hosted by Horse&Pony Fine Arts Berlin / DE – cur. by Hannes Ribarits

2015 Maruša Sagadin – One Work Gallery, Vienna / AT – cur. by Salvatore Viviano

2014 Extra Extra Elle, Neue Galerie, Innsbruck / AT

2010 Maruša Sagadin / Anna Witt, Grazer Kunstverein, Graz / AT – cur. by Soeren Grammel

2010 Sehr gern modern, Galerie 5020, Salzburg / AT – cur. by Hildegard Fraueneder

Group Exhibitions

2026 Feminist Futures Forever, Belvedere 21, Vienna / AT – cur. by Christiane Erharter, Stefanie Reisinger

2025 Future of Melancholia, Museum of Contemporary Art – Legacy of Milica Zorić & Rodoljub Čolaković, Belgrade / SRB – cur. by Sandro Droschl

2025 In the First Place Sculpture, Kunsthaus Mürz / AT – cur. by Julie Hayward

2025 WiFi & Watercolors, Zeller van Almsick, Vienna / AT – cur. by Xenia Lesniewski

2025 European Capital of Culture 2025, Chemnitz, Germany / DE

2024 In the Spirit of Friendship, Dom Museum, Vienna / AT – cur. by Johanna Schwanberg

2024 10th Triennial of Contemporary Slovene Arts, Moderna galerija, Ljubljana / SI – cur. by Tevž Logar

2024 All the Feels, Kunstraum Niederösterreich, Vienna / AT – cur. by Nora Mayr

2023 ...and they lived..., Kunsthalle Bratislava / SK – cur. by Jen Kratochvil, Tjaša Pogačar, Jelisaveta Rapačić

2023 Promotion Prize 2023 – Award Exhibition, Neue Galerie – Joanneum, Graz / AT – cur. by Magda Radu
 2023 2000s, Bye Bye Confidence – MUSA, Vienna / AT – cur. Brigitte Borchhardt-Birbaumer, Berthold Ecker
 2023 At Your Pleasure: Feminist Positions in Visual Art in Slovenia, Moderna galerija, Ljubljana / SI – cur. by Martina Vovk
 2023 Gnomes With Saxophones, Šlechtovka - Sumo 2023, Prague / CZ - cur. by Jen Kratochvil, Tjaša Pogačar
 2023 Public Matters - Contemporary Art in the Belvedere Garden, Belvedere, Vienna / AT
 2022 When Species Meet, Lore Deutz, Cologne / DE - cur. by Erika Hock
 2022 Summer of Love 55, Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT
 2022 Schindler House Los Angeles / Space as a Medium of Art, MAK - Museum of Applied Arts, Vienna - cur. by Bärbel Vischer
 2022 Returning the Gaze, Cukrarna Gallery, Ljubljana / SI - cur. by Alenka Gregorič, Mara Anjoli Vujić, Mateja Podlesnik, Alenka Trebušak
 2022 Plečnik 150 Years, City Museum Ljubljana, Museum and Galleries of Ljubljana – MGML / SI - cur. by Maja Vardjan
 2021 Art by Post, Soutbank Centre, London; Mills Arts Centre and Banbury Museum & Gallery, Banbury; Arts Centre Washington, Sunderland; The Beaney House of Art & Knowledge, Canterbury; HOME, Manchester; De Montfort University, Leicester / UK - cur. by Persilia Caton
 2021 The Melancholy Paradise In The Deafening Ocean, Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT
 2021 Metamodernism, DUM Project Space, Ljubljana / SI - cur. by Vladimir Vidmar
 2021 When Gesture Becomes Event, City Gallery, Ljubljana / SI - cur. by Alenka Gregorič, Felicitas Thun-Hohenstein
 2021 B-Girls, Go!, Sculpture Garden, Belvedere21, Vienna / AT - cur. by Christiane Erharter
 2021 Summer Camp – Aurachmühle Sägewerk Rumpfmayr, Neukirchen/AT
 2020 When Gesture Becomes Event, Künstlerhaus Wien / AT - cur. by Alenka Gregorič, Felicitas Thun-Hohenstein
 2020 True and False, Sculpture Triennale Bingen / DE - cur. by Lutz Driever
 2020 3rd Industrial Art Biennial, Rijeka / HR - cur. by Branka Benčić, Gerald Matt, Ksenija Orelj, Christian Oxenius
 2020 Me, Myself and I (online exhibition), Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT
 2020 Symbol, ACF Budapest / HU - cur. by Zsolt Petranyi
 2020 Kunstraum Ortloff, Leipzig / DE - cur. by Franz Jyrch
 2019 Political Affairs - Language is not innocent, Kunstverein in Hamburg / DE - cur. by M. Bonvicini, B. Steinbrügge
 2019 BOOKS + PAPERS II – Christine König Gallery, Vienna / AT
 2019 9th Triennial of Contemporary Slovene Arts, Moderna galerija, Ljubljana / SI - cur. by Vít Havránek
 2019 ZONE 1 Hamam , Vienna Contemporary/ AT - cur. by Robby Greif, Fiona Liewehr
 2019 Sculpture Park by Gallery Lisa Kandlhofer, Vienna Contemporary / AT
 2019 REUNION - Herbert de Colle, Hannes Ribarits, Maruša Sagadin, Memphis, Linz / AT - cur. by Kai Maier-Rothe
 2019 True Colors - in collaboration with Christine König Galerie, Traklhaus, Salzburg / AT
 2018 Sculptural Setting within the public program Joint Ventures (with Căcilia Brown, Noële Ody), Belvedere 21, Vienna / AT - cur. by Luisa Ziaja
 2018 The Patio, Arcade invites Syndicate, Arcade Gallery, London / UK - cur. by JL Murtaugh
 2018 The Provisional City, Spazio Murat, Bari / IT - cur. by Melissa Destino
 2018 Herz-Bar, Artists Bar, Secession, Vienna / AT - cur. by Annette Südbek
 2018 Gregor Graf, Gerhard Knogler, Maruša Sagadin, Galerie März, Linz / AT
 2018 Comrade Conrade, KÖR (Art in Public Space), Graz / AT - cur. by Nicole Pruckermayr
 2017 Utopia / Dystopia: Architecture, City, Territory, Museum and Galleries of Ljubljana – MGML / SI - cur. by A. Trebušak
 2017 Instructions for Happiness, 21er Haus, Belvedere, Vienna / AT - cur. by Severin Dünser, Olympia Tzortzi
 2017 all weather, column, no lemons, Mauve, Vienna / AT - cur. by Titania Seidl, Lukas Thaler
 2017 LAW MATERIAL – CODEX, Kunstraum D21, Leipzig / DE, cur. by L. Brüggemann, L. von Geyso und E. Pichler
 2017 Mad Cow, Schleifmühlgasse 3, Vienna / AT, cur. by Delphine Telesio di Toritto, Salvatore Viviano
 2017 Log Line, Mauve, Vienna / AT - cur. by Titania Seidl, Lukas Thaler
 2016 The Big Time Issue, Austrian Cultural Forum & Parabol, London / UK - cur. by section a (cat.)
 2016 Normalities, Austrian Cultural Forum, New York / US - cur. by Marko Lulić (cat.)
 2016 The World Rearranges Itself Around You, Zimmermann Kratochwill Gallery, Graz / AT - cur. by Margareth Otth
 2016 Get Involved: Focus Direct Urbanism, Austrian Cultural Pavillion, Plovdiv / BG - cur. by Ursula Maria Probst
 2016 Irene de Andrés, Ross Downes, Maruša Sagadin with Syndicate, COFA, Cologne / DE - cur. by JL Murtaugh
 2016 Award Exhibition / Viktor Fogarassy Price, Neue Galerie - Museum Joanneum, Graz / AT - cur. by Zoran Erić
 2016 Instructions for Happiness, Athens / GR - cur. by Severin Dünser, Olympia Tzortzi
 2015 Destination Wien 2015, Kunsthalle Wien / AT
 2015 The Longest Nose, Mauve, Vienna / AT
 2015 Wer war Albert Norden?, Station Urbaner Kulturen/Kunst im Untergrund - NGBK, Berlin / DE - cur. by Ina Wudtke
 2015 Kardinal König Prize - Award Exhibition, Salzburg / AT (cat.)
 2015 Crises and New Beginnings, Museum of Contemporary Art, Ljubljana / SI - cur. by B. Piškur, I. Španjol, V. Vidmar
 2014 The Very Last Judgement Triptych, Xhibit, Vienna / AT (cat.) - cur. by Dieter Lesage
 2014 HIER UND JETZT / hic et nunc, Stift Klosterneuburg / AT (cat.) - cur. by section a
 2014 Been Caught Stealing, Exnergasse, Vienna / AT - cur. by Hannes Ribarits, Li Tasser
 2014 Kongress der Artikulation, Kunstraum Kreuzberg, Berlin / DE - cur. by Claudia Dorfmueller
 2014 In, Out and Art. Zum gegenwärtigen Verhältnis von Architektur und Kunst, Forum Stadtpark, Graz / AT
 2014 On Paper, Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT - cur. by Sepp Auer
 2014 Passages, Literaturhaus Graz / AT

2013 is my territory, Christine König Gallery, Vienna / AT - cur. by Monica Bonvicini
 2013 Kurt-Kurt (within the show by Monica Bonvicini Temporarily Available), Berlin / DE
 2013 Gasthaus Lungomare, Bozen / IT - cur. by Lungomare
 2013 Dis-play-prater-stern, Vienna / AT
 2013 Kunstgeber Gemeindebau / KÖR, Vienna / AT
 2013 In der Kubatur des Kabinetts - FLUC, Vienna / AT
 2013 Hello Show, VBKÖ, Vienna / AT
 2013 Vesch (within the show by Herbert de Colle), Vienna / AT
 2013 Statement IX, curated by pffffffft.com - AfG, Vienna / AT - cur. by Bernhard Garnicnig
 2012 Paarreimen ist für weisse Mittelstandskids(...), 21er Klub, 21er Haus, Vienna / AT - cur. by Severin Dünser
 2012 Annual editions 2012, Kölnischer Kunstverein, Cologne / DE - cur. by Soeren Grammel
 2012 5th International Experimental Engraving Biennial, Bucharest / RO (cat.) - cur. by Olivia Nitis
 2012 Collection 1997-2012, Xhibit - Academy of Fine Arts, Vienna / AT (cat.)
 2012 (No) standing anytime, public space, Graz / AT (cat.) - cur. by zweintopf
 2012 Creating Realities (son:DA & <rotor>), Maribor / SLO
 2012 Mit sofortiger Wirkung, Kunsthalle Wien – project space, Vienna / AT (cat.)
 2012 Transnational Guerilla Art School, <rotor>, Graz / AT
 2011 Black Sound - White Cube, Kunstquartier Bethanien, Berlin / GE - cur. by Dieter Lesage, Ina Wudtke
 2011 Second Worlds, steirischer herbst, Graz / AT (cat.)
 2011 The Event, 29th Biennial of Graphic Arts, Ljubljana / SLO - cur. by Beti Žerovc
 2011 Ask Yo Mama, Kunstraum Niederösterreich, Vienna / AT (cat.) - cur. by Ina Wudtke
 2011 The Futuregarden, Kunstbunker – Forum für Zeitgenössische Kunst Nürnberg / GE - cur. by Christian Stock
 2011 Started 2011, Awarded artist of Startpoint, NTK Gallery, Prague / CZ
 2011 by the way, Museum of Contemporary Art Vojvodina, Serbia / SR (cat.)
 2010 Final Projects, MAK Schindlerhouse, Los Angeles / US
 2010 GASK Museum Of Art, Kutná Hora / CZ (cat.)
 2010 Demoraum, Academy of Fine Arts, Vienna / AT - cur. by Soeren Grammel
 2010 Museum Kastrupgårdsamlingen, Kastrupgårdsamlingen / DK
 2010 Lines, lothringer13/laden, München / DE
 2010 Gallery of the National Technical Library, Prague / CZ
 2009 Kunst des urbanen Handelns, Steirischer Herbst, <rotor>, Graz / AT (cat.)
 2009 Postalternativ, Kunstraum Niederösterreich, Vienna / AT (cat.) - cur. by Hubert Lobnig
 2009 Anzengruber Biennale, Vienna / AT
 2009 Because it's like that now, it won't stay that way, Galeria Arsenal, Bialystok / PL (cat.) - cur. by rotor
 2009 Vienna Rocks - Wien Sutter Røv, Funen Art Academy, Funen / DK
 2008 Mira hatte ein Handy und zwei Flügel, Galerie 5020, Salzburg / AT - cur. by rotor
 2008 Urban Festival, Zagreb / HR (cat.)
 2008 Ortung, Galerie 5020 Salzburg, Salzburg / AT (cat.)
 2008 Archive in Residence, Galeria Una, Bukarest / RO (cat.)
 2008 Unordnung, Copa Cagrana, Vienna / AT
 2008 Real Presence 2008, Magazin Kraljevica Marka, Belgrade / SRB

Commissions

2026 Das Birnenparadies: Winner of the competition Art in Public Space, Design for the Foyer of the Uniklinikum, Salzburg, Austria
 2023 Feel the Blooming, PBZ Korneuburg / AT - comm. by KÖR, Kunst im öffentlichen Raum, Lower Austria
 2018/2021 B-Girls, Go!, Belvedere 21 Vienna / AT - comm. by KÖR, Kunst im öffentlichen Raum, Vienna
 2019 Stairs – Stage – Stands. The Reclining Imprint., Göpfritz an der Wild, Austria - comm. by KÖR, Kunst im öffentlichen Raum, Lower Austria
 2018 Herz-Bar, Artists Bar, Secession, Vienna / AT - cur. by Annette Südbeck

Lectures, and events

2025 Pop-Quartett - Speaking About Music, Belvedere 21, Vienna
 2023 Lecturer, Fine Arts and Media Art, Sculpture and Space, University for Applied Arts, Vienna / AT
 2021 Book launch in dialogue, Maruša Sagadin with Marge Monko, A Happy Hippie, Herz-Bar, Secession, Vienna / AT
 2021 Panel discussion, Klangforum Wien, Konzerthaus, Vienna / AT
 2021 Public Program, Belvedere 21, Vienna/AT - International Women's Day - B-Girls, Go!
 2020 Guest Artist, Sculpture Department, Academy of Fine Arts in Prague / CZ
 2020 Artist Lecture, Sculpture and Space/Fine Art Department, University for Applied Arts, Vienna / AT
 2018 Conversation with Marlies Wirth (MAK Vienna), Halle für Kunst und Medien, Graz / AT
 2018 Artist Lecture, Transmedia Art, University for Applied Arts, Vienna / AT
 2017 Artist Lecture, Site-specific Art/Fine Art Department, University for Applied Arts, Vienna / AT
 2017 Panel discussion 'Female Images', Leopold Museum, Vienna / AT

- 2016 Conversation with Rosy Head, SPACE, London / UK
- 2016 Panel discussion ‚Normalities‘, Austrian Cultural Forum, New York / US
- 2015 ISCP Salon (with Sophie Jung, Lilian Kreutzberger), ISCP, New York / US
- 2015 Book launch, Maruša Sagadin ©MMXV, Grazer Kunstverein, Graz / AT (with Wally Salner)

Publications

- 2023 Maruša Sagadin – Luv Birds in toten Winkeln, Schirn Kunsthalle Frankfurt, Kettler Verlag, Düsseldorf / DE - design by HIT
- 2022 Maruša Sagadin – Wet Feet, Cukrarna - Museum and Galleries of Ljubljana / SI - design by Ajdin Bašić
- 2022 Maruša Sagadin – Lore Deutz/14, Edition Taube / DE
- 2021 Maruša Sagadin – A Happy Hippie, Spector Books, Leipzig / DE - design by CH Studio
- 2015 Maruša Sagadin – ©MMXV, Verlag für Moderne Kunst, Vienna / AT - design by CH Studio
- 2015 Mobby Dick / The Carpenter, Harpune Verlag, Vienna / AT
- 2010 Maruša Sagadin – Meine Chefs - Wir Chefs, rotor, Graz / AT - design by CH Studio

Awards and Grants

- 2023 Prize of the Province of Styria for Contemporary Fine Arts, Neue Galerie Graz / AT
- 2022 Msgr. Otto Mauer Award
- 2022 Award „Die Schönsten Bücher“ for Maruša Sagadin, A Happy Hippie, Spector Books / DE
- 2019 Austrian State Grant for Visual Arts / AT
- 2019 Nomination Dagmar Chobot Sculpture Price, Leopold Museum, Vienna / AT
- 2016 Viktor Fogarassy Price, Neue Galerie, Museum Joanneum Graz / AT
- 2015/2016 International Studio and Curatorial Program (ISCP), New York / US
- 2015 Nomination Kardinal König Kunstpreis / AT
- 2015 Award „Die Schönsten Bücher“ for ©MMXV Maruša Sagadin, Verlag für Moderne Kunst / AT
- 2014 Artist - in - Europe - Grant - City of Graz / Brussels / BE
- 2011 City of Graz Funding Prize / AT
- 2010/2011 Fellowship by Austrian Federal Ministry for Education, Arts and Culture / AT
- 2009/2010 MAK Schindler Grant, MAK Center for Art and Architecture, Los Angeles / US
- 2007 Ortung-Stipendium, Salzburg / AT
- 2004 Prize of the Province of Styria for Contemporary Fine Arts, Neue Galerie Graz / AT

Public Collections

- Belvedere 21, Vienna / AT
- Museum for Applied Arts, Vienna / AT
- Dom Museum, Vienna / AT
- Heidi Horten Collection, Vienna / AT
- Kunststiftung Wild, Heidelberg / DE
- City of Graz / AT
- Artothek des Bundes / AT
- Leinemann Collection, Berlin / DE
- City of Vienna / AT
- Wien Museum / AT
- Universalmuseum Joanneum, Graz / AT
- Cabinet of Drawings and Prints, Academy of Fine Arts, Vienna / AT

Speak More Truth, Eat More Fruit

Kunsthaus Graz / AT, 2025

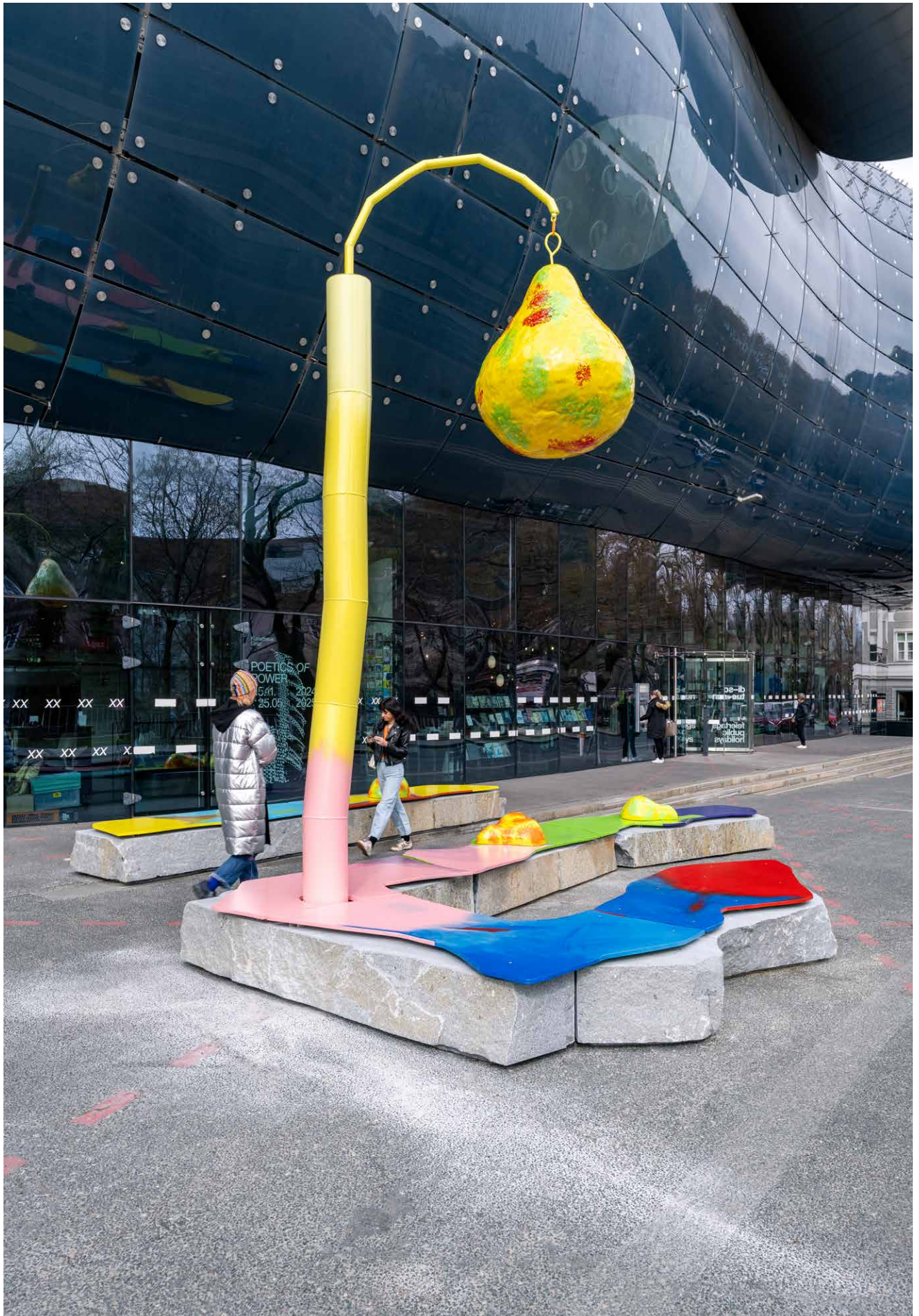
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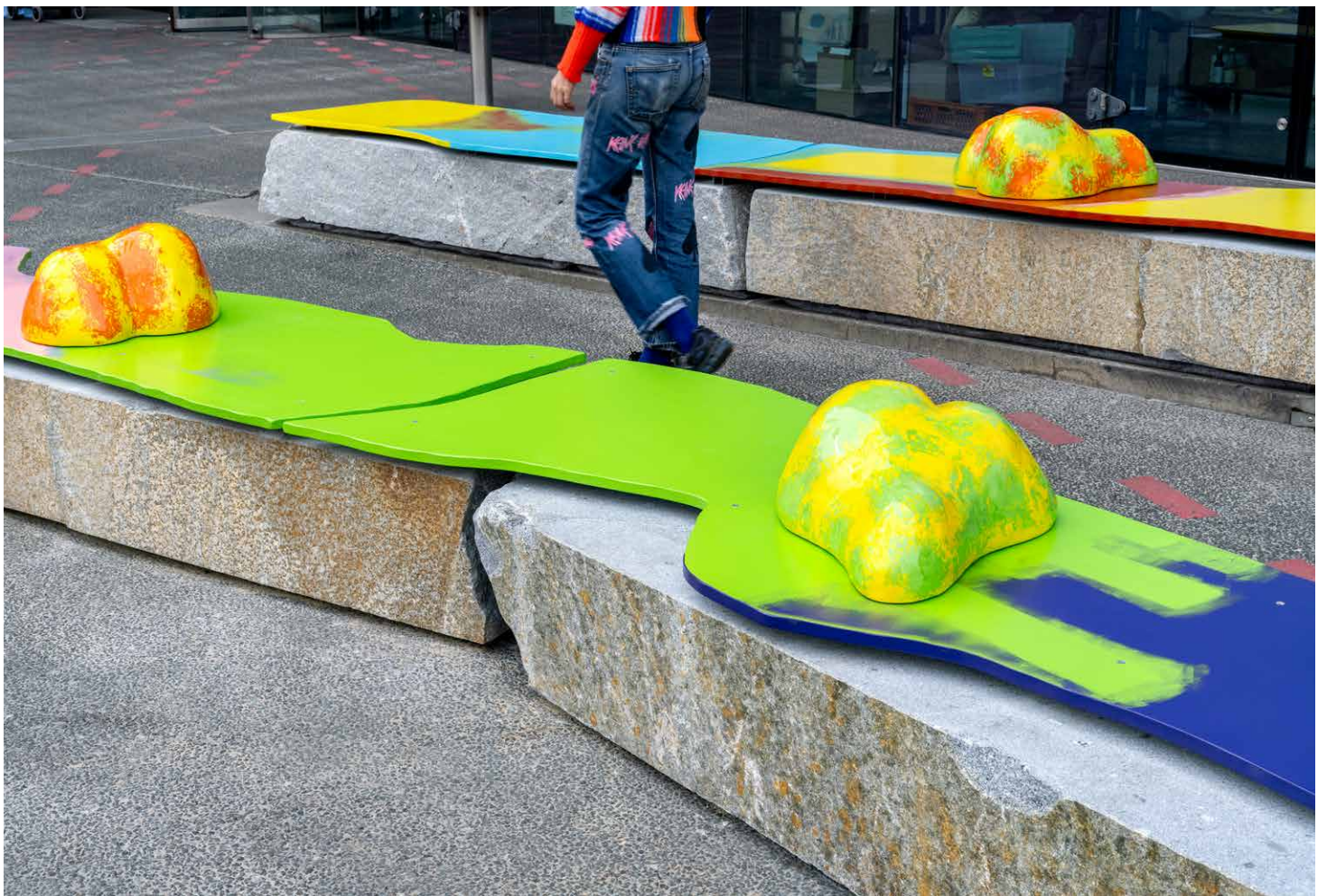
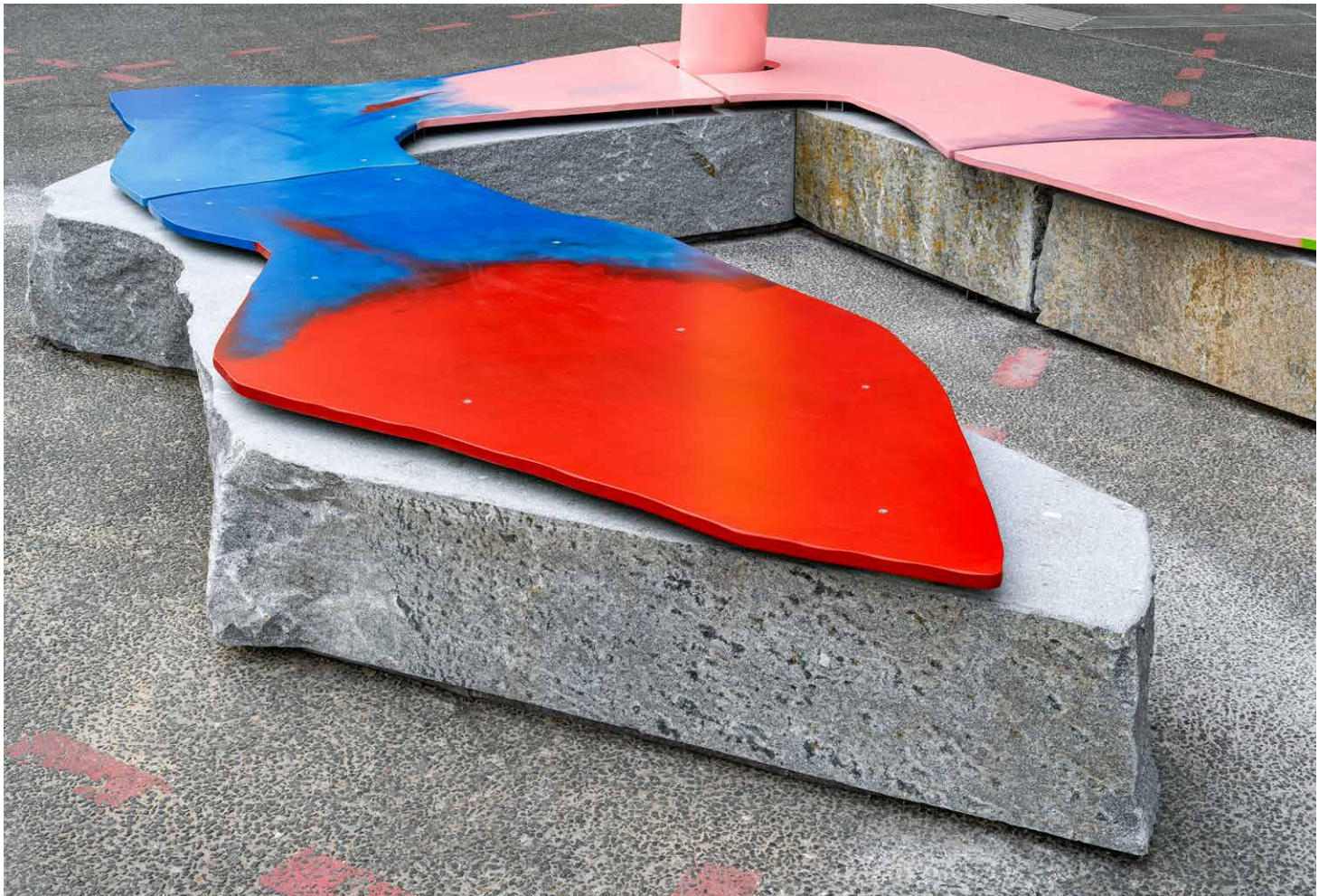
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Speak More Truth, Eat More Fruit, 2025
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Dicke Haut, trotzdem ist mir kalt (Thick Skin, Yet I ´m Cold)

Kunstraum Lakeside, Klagenfurt / AT, 2025
In collaboration with Marie Oucherif



Blinds, Blind Bees, Plan B, 2025

Photos: Johannes Puch



Blinds, Blind Bees, Plan B, 2025
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Blinds, 2025
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Blinds, Blind Bees, Plan B, 2025; Intervention on Julia Hohenwarter's sculpture O-O-O
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Blaue Lippen (V), 2025
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Dicke Haut, trotzdem ist mir kalt, 2025

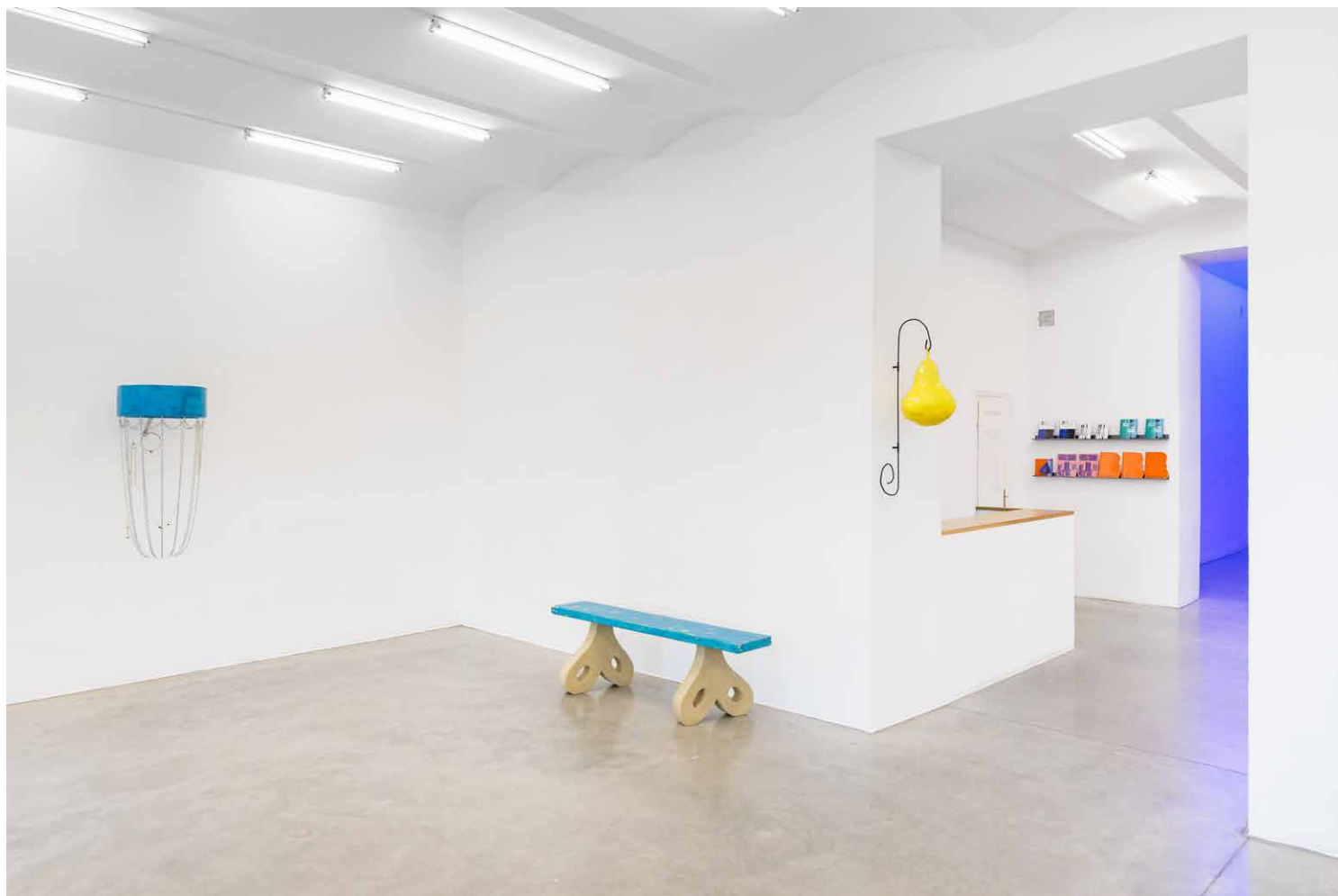
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Blaue Lippen (Kiss-mas), 2024
Heidi Horten Collection, Vienna; Photo: Simon Veres



Schlechter Witz, 2024
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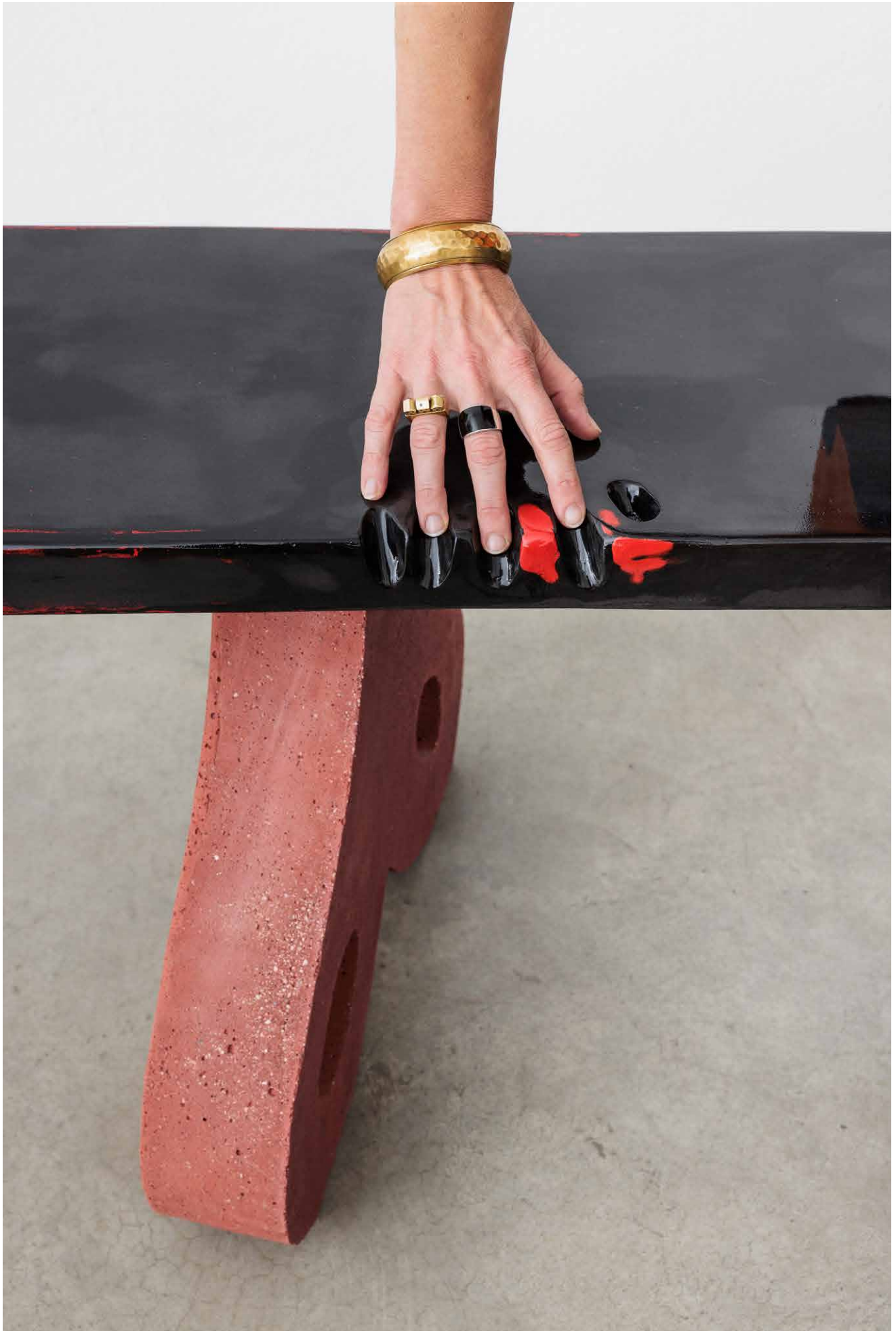
Maruša Sagadin, Christine König Galerie, Vienna, 2024; Photos: Manuel Carreon Lopez



Untitled (Apple), 2024
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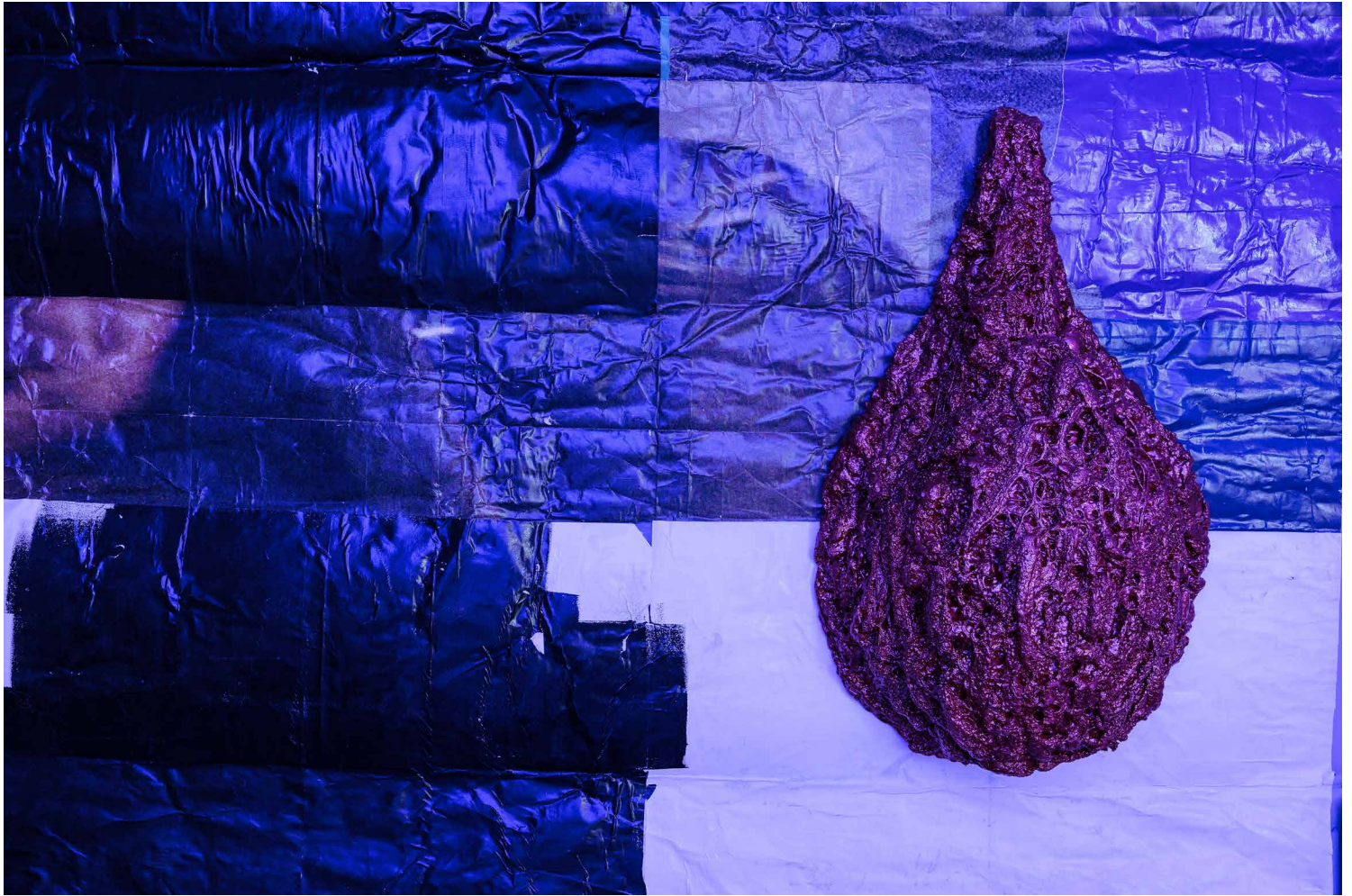


Hoop (Green - Yellow), 2024
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Die Flügelmutter (Schwarz) (detail), 2024
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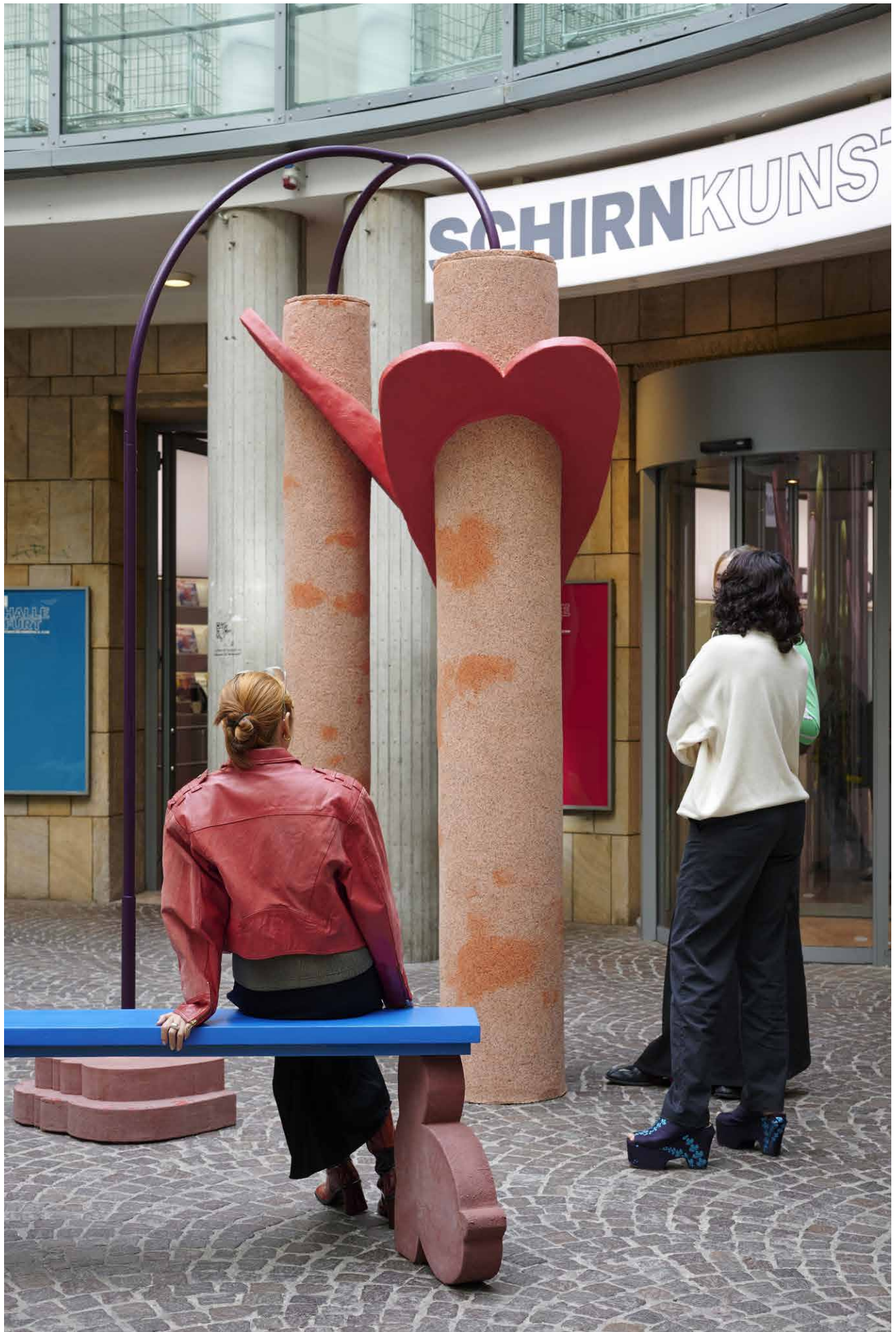


Luv Birds in toten Winkeln

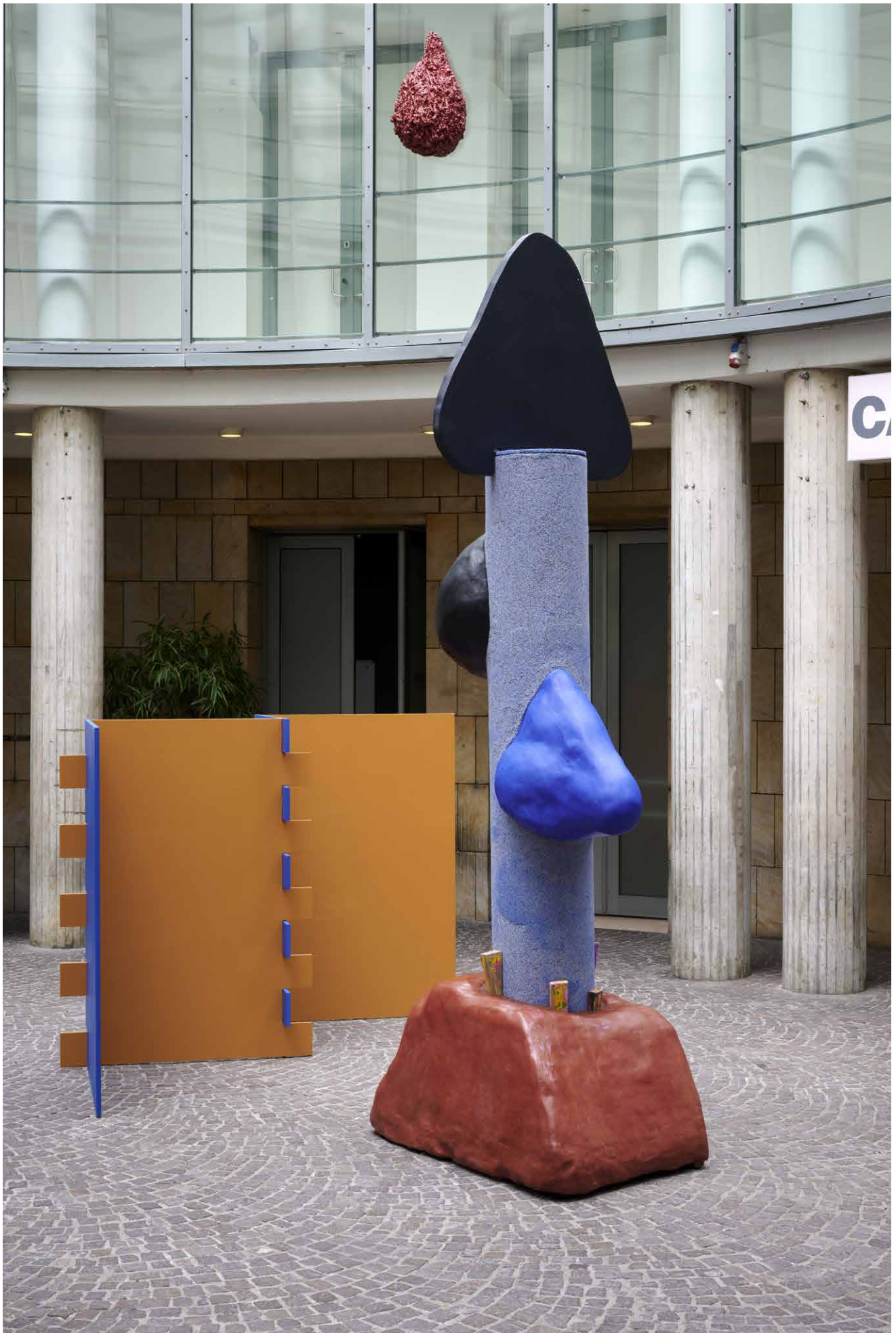
Schirn Kunsthalle Frankfurt/DE, 2023



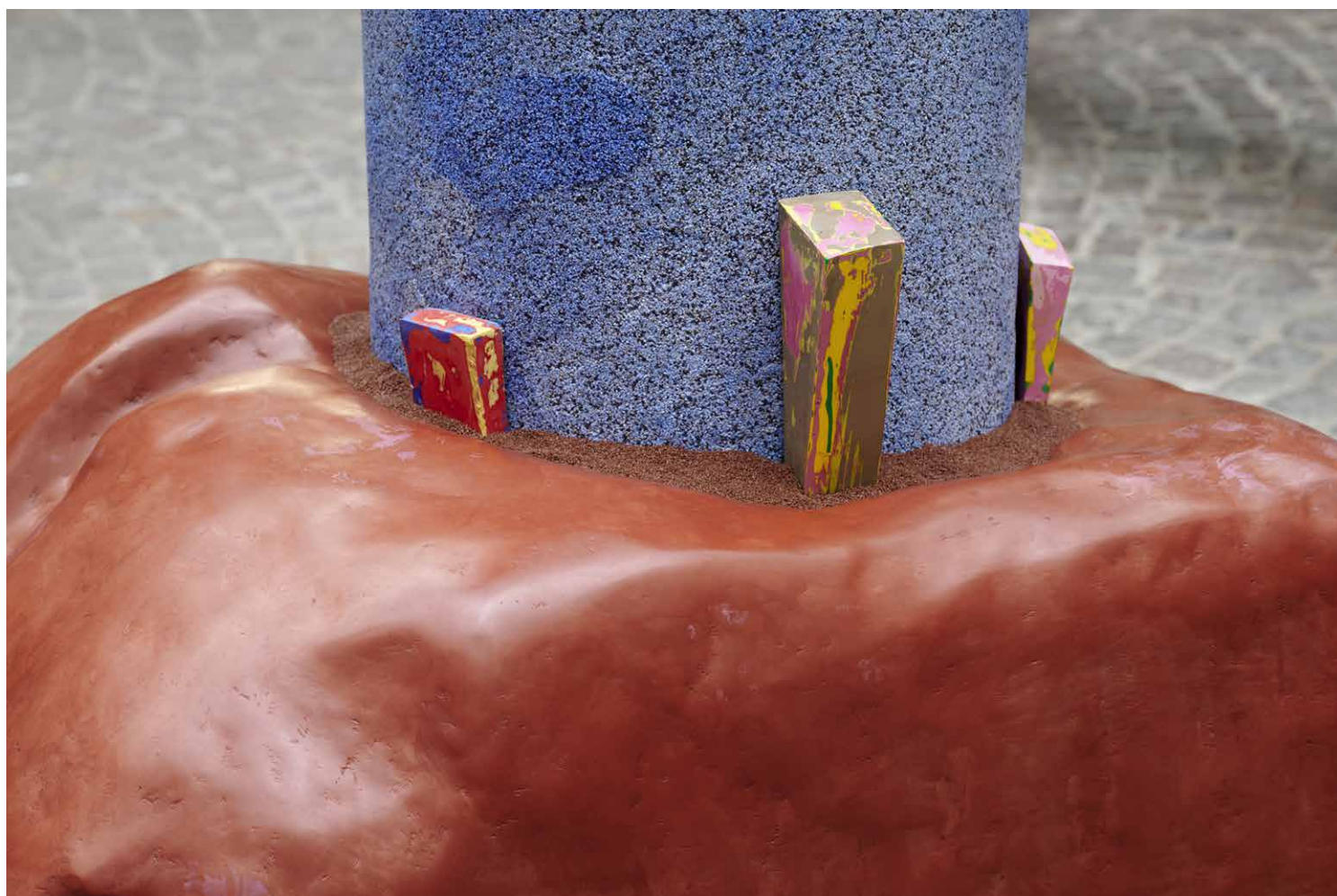
Luv Birds in toten Winkeln, 2023; Photo: Mareike Tocha



Luv Birds (Tongues), 2023; Photo: Mareike Tocha



Luv Bird (Noses), 2023; Photo: Mareike Tocha



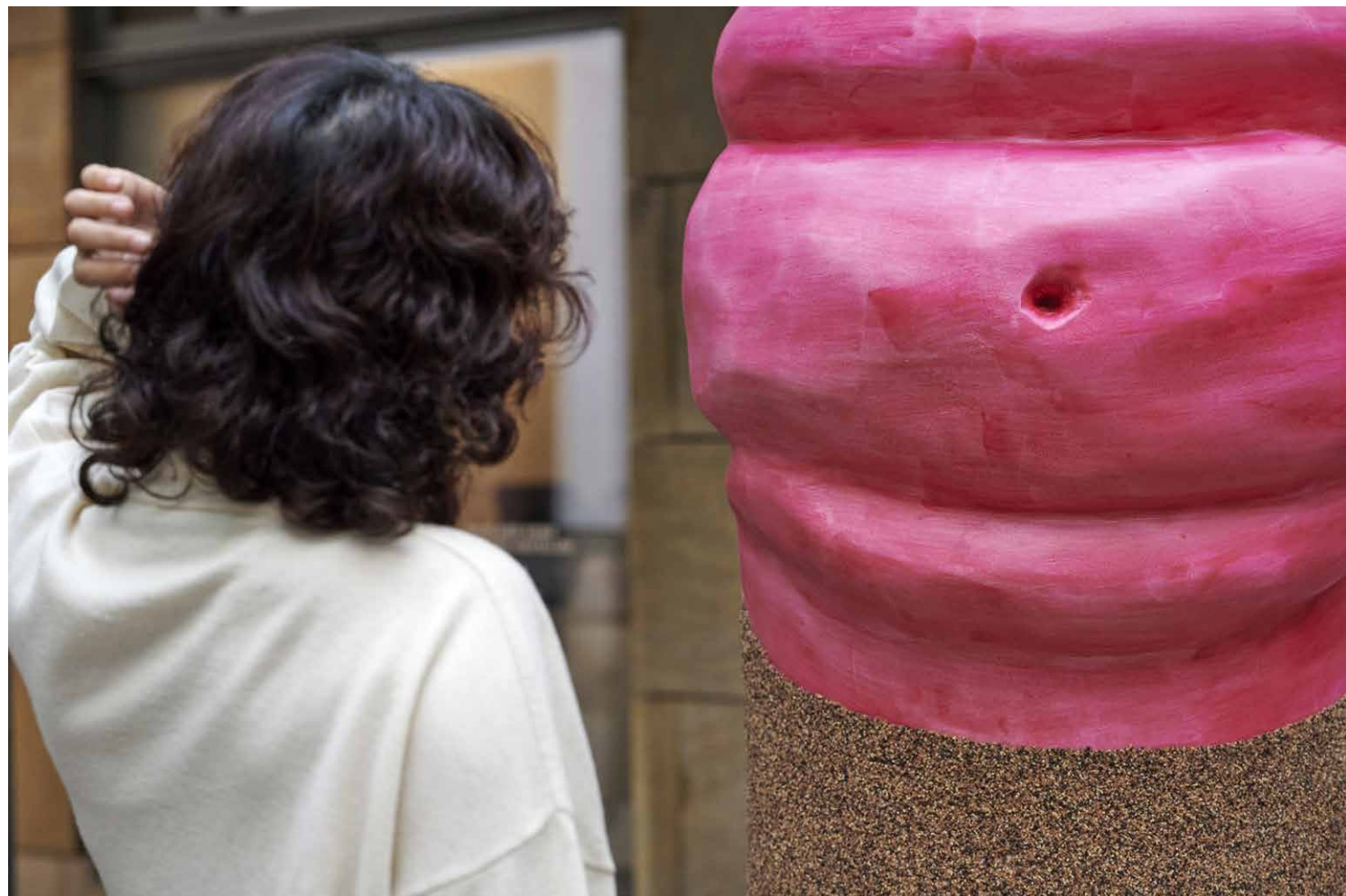
Luv Bird (Noses) (detail), 2023; Photo: Mareike Tocha



Schlechter Witz (Bad Joke), 2023; Photo: Mareike Tocha



Luv Bird (Belly), 2023; Photo: Mareike Tocha





Schlechter Witz (Bad Joke), 2023; Photo: Mareike Tocha



Drop (red), 2023; Photo: Mareike Tocha

Wet Feet

Cukrarna Gallery, Ljubljana/SI, 2022

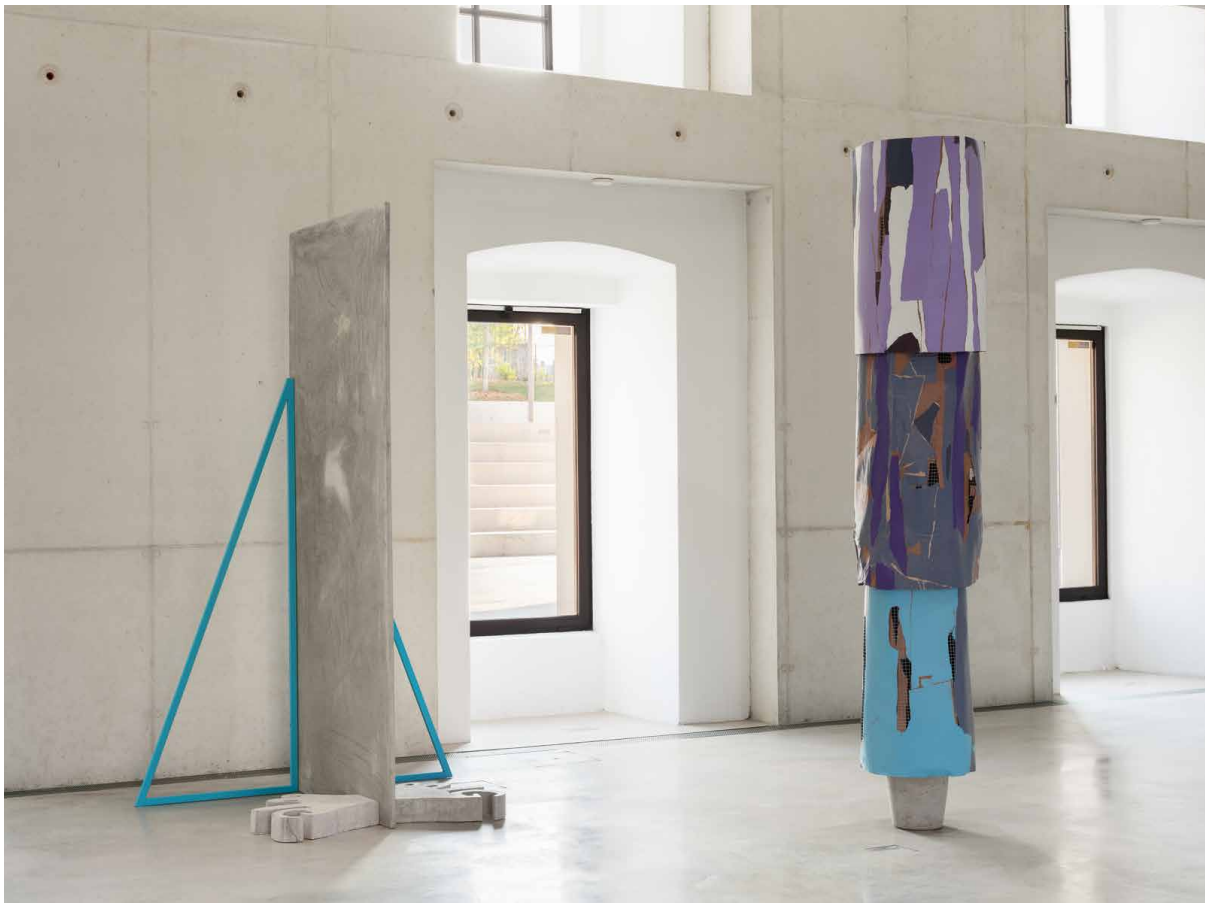
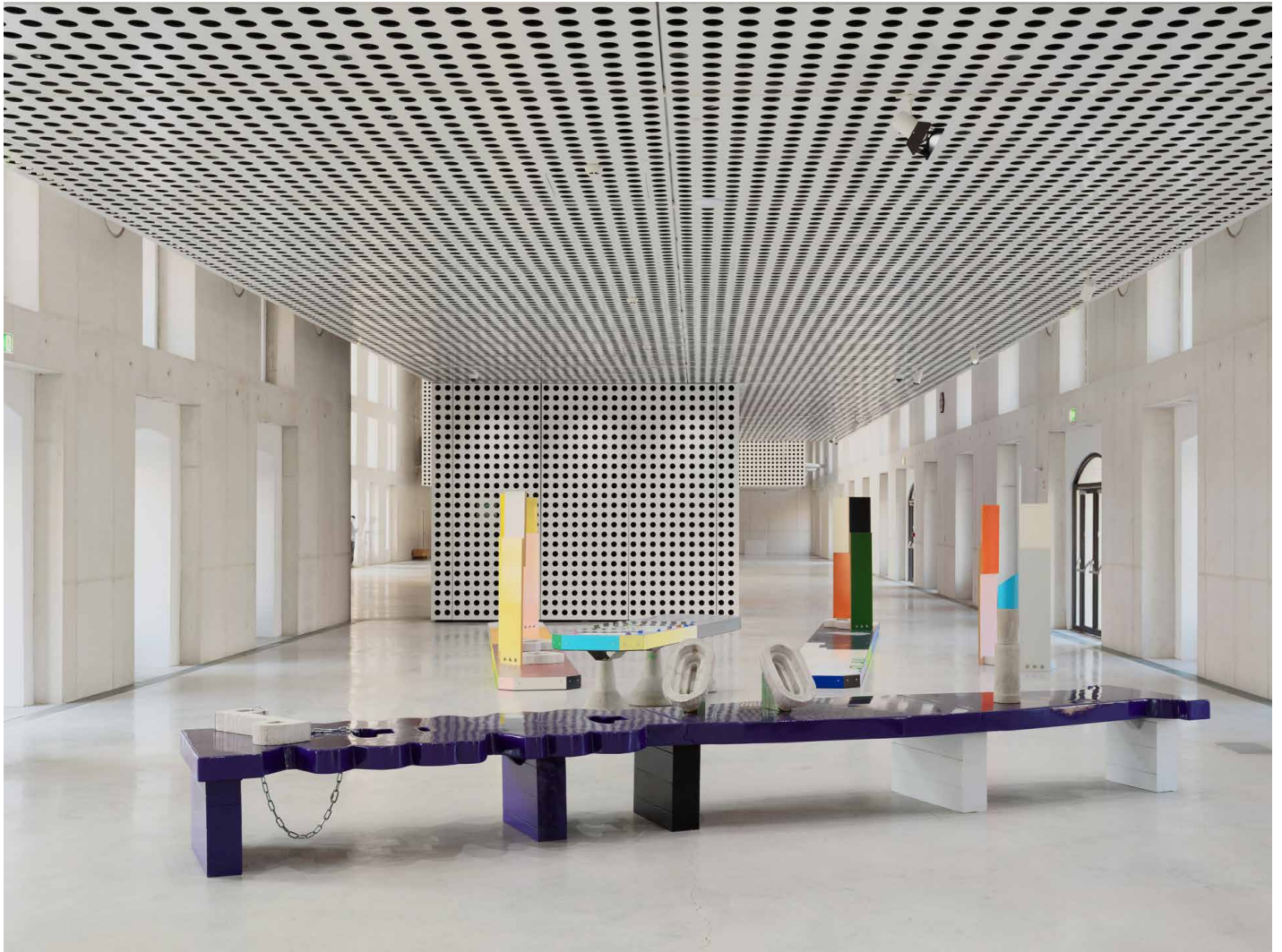


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Tschumi Alumni, 2016/2022; Concrete, wood, paint

Stress in Texas, 2011/2022; Fibre cement panels, wood, concrete, paint









Wet Feet, 2022

Concrete, wood, paint, pigments, spray paint, metal





Stress in Texas (Tooth) with drawings, 2022

Concrete, wood, paint, pigments, spray paint, metal, paper, plaster



Stress in Texas (Tooth) with drawings, 2022

Concrete, wood, paint, pigments, spray paint, metal, paper, plaster

Schlechte Laune ohne Kiosk und Küche

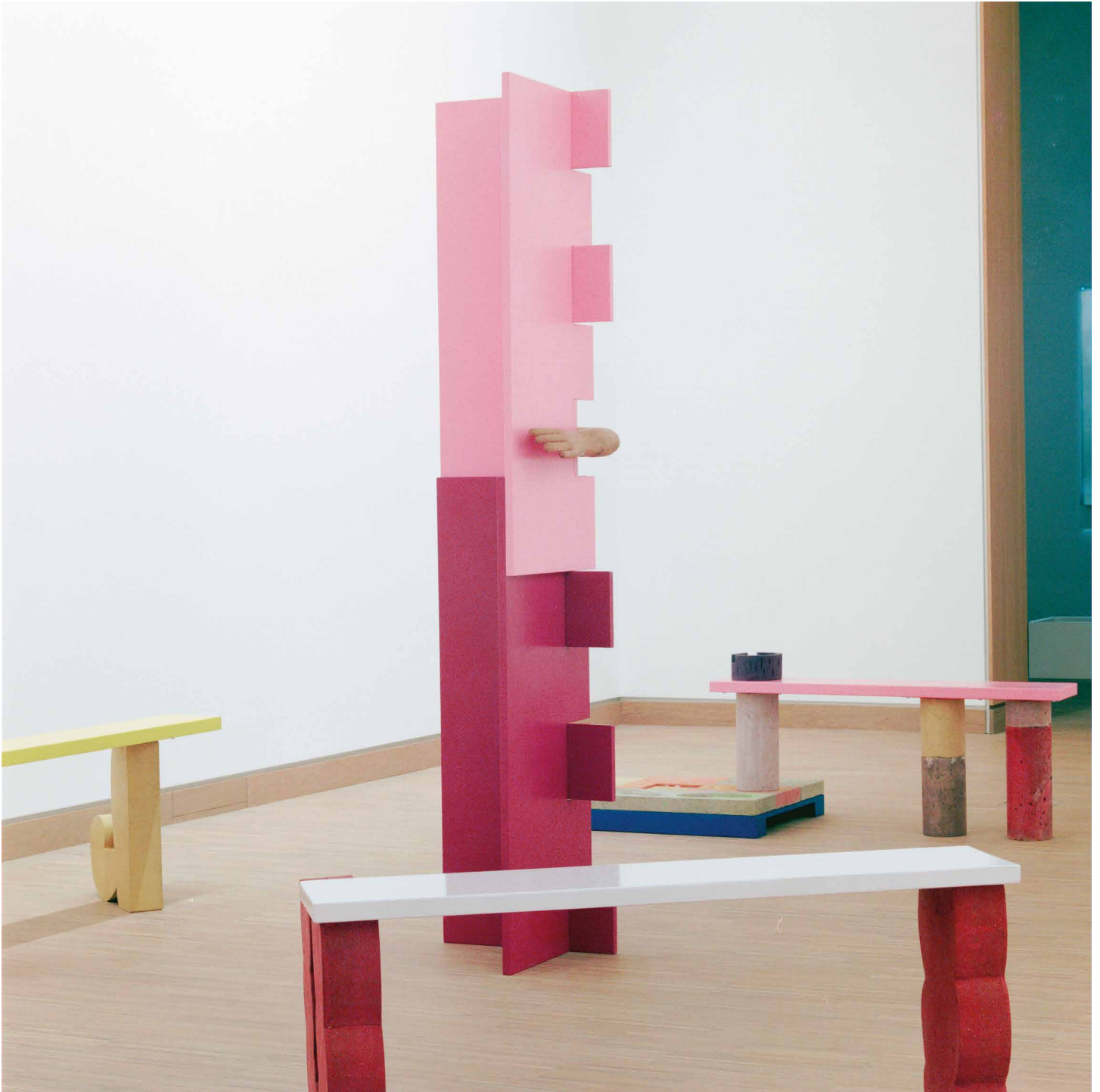
Sculptures

Künstlerhaus Vienna / AT , 2020

Mestna Galerija Ljubljana / SI, 2021

Lara, Luisa, and Juliana are benches arranged to create the atmosphere of a public square. Each sitting surface is body-length, unobstructed by armrests or other hostile, anti-sleeping embellishments. Figurative elements support all three—arms, feet, and breasts. As others approach, the sculptures exaggerate, mirror, and cement visitor body parts within their exteriors. The group encourages citizens to use space, calling their friends to sleep, to smoke, to hang out, to socialize. In that same spirit, beyond seating, they are a stage for a sound performance by the artist Juliana Lindenhofer.

Domesticity and femininity metamorphose into infrastructure, a category restrictively limited to masculine manifestations. Lara, Luisa, and Juliana confidently assert their public nature, fashioned from durable, heavy materials. Their only decorations are traces of utility. An ashtray perched on top of one sculpture is a memory, a forgotten age of communal space, an excuse to congregate. Imprinted in the pavement-pedestals are remains of footprints, discarded chewing gum, scuff marks, and dirt. Pigment-soaked concrete replicates the texture of fabric, and glossy paint adorns the surfaces like makeup. Another sculpture, Romana, features a triumphal column standing for urbanity, diversity, and anti-romanticism. (Maruša Sagadin)



Schlechte Laune ohne Kiosk und Küche (Bad mood without kiosk and kitchen), 2020

Sculptures (wood, paint, concrete, pigments)

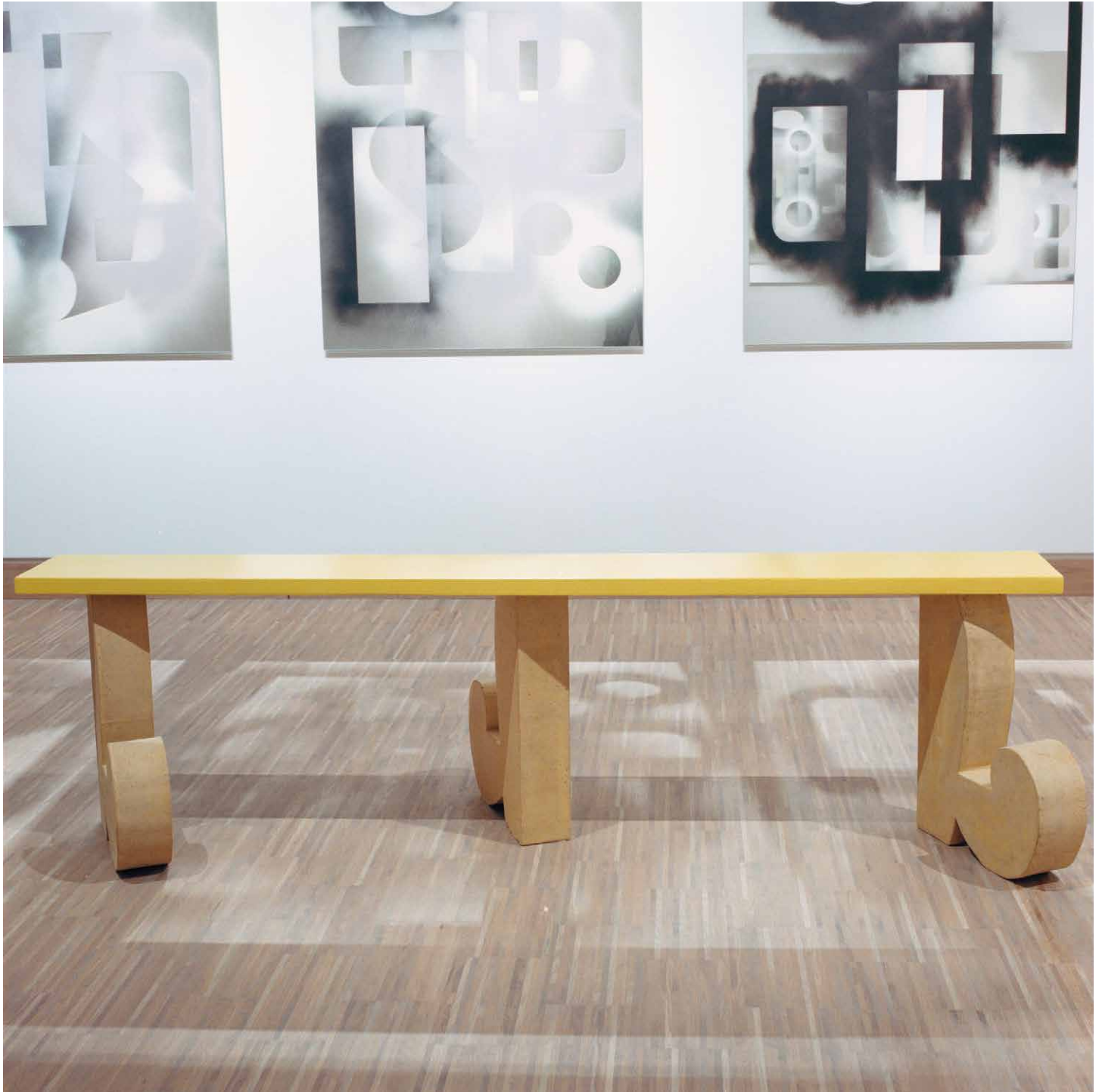
Photo: Cécilia Brown



Schlechte Laune ohne Kiosk und Küche (Bad Mood Without a Kiosk and Kitchen) (Lara), 2020
Sculpture (concrete, pigments, wood, paint), Photo: Cécilia Brown



Schlechte Laune ohne Kiosk und Küche (Bad Mood Without a Kiosk and Kitchen) (Lara), 2020
Sculpture (concrete, pigments, wood, paint), Photo: Cécilia Brown



Schlechte Laune ohne Kiosk und Küche (Bad Mood Without a Kiosk and Kitchen) (Juliana, three legged), 2020

Mirrors - wall objects by Dorit Margreiter

Sculpture (concrete, pigments, wood, paint), Photo: Cécilia Brown

Wolke in Hosen (Polonca) Schnelle Beine (Marjetka) Mit Händen und Füßen sprechen (Marick^va)

Sculptures

U3 - Triennale of Contemporary Art, Moderna Galerija, Ljubljana / SI, 2019

Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT, 2020

Maruša Sagadin/Merete Vyff Slynborg, Vestjyllands Kunstpavillon / DK, 2020

The starting point for these works is autobiographical.

Or, let's put it this way – I wanted to build three supporting structures. All to human scale, with curved forms depicting three women: Maricka, Marjetka, and Polonca - my aunt, my cousin, my mother.

The sculptures bear certain characteristics of each person, with fast legs, a pair of folded hands, and curly hair.

I used materials that combine indoor and outdoor contexts, taking the form of functional objects like shelves, benches, or folding screens associated with indoor environments. Domesticity and femininity are transformed into infrastructure, a category restrictively ascribed to men. Here, a shelving unit – hard material adorned with curly hair, a cloudy head, shining breasts – confidently asserts its public nature.

I originally imagined my sculptures in relation to Plecnik's street lamps in front of Moderna galerija. But instead, briefly before the opening, the curator proposed replacing Jože Barši's sculptural bench in the foyer with my work Fast Legs – a daring move; I would have preferred to keep both works next to each other had the space allowed: Barši feat. Sagadin with MC Cankar.

The trio remains intimate and fragile. The pigment-soaked concrete has the quality of fabric, glossy paint adorns the wood like makeup. Too big to be indoors, too small to be outdoors. (Maruša Sagadin)



Wolke in Hosen (Polonca)

Sculpture (concrete, pigments, smoothing cement, wood, paint)

Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT, 2020

Photo: Philipp Friedrich



Wolke in Hosen (Polonca), details
 Sculpture (concrete, pigments, smoothing cement, wood, paint)
 Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT, 2020
 Photo: Philipp Friedrich



Mit Händen und Füßen sprechen (Marička), Zehn Zähne (Marička)

Sculpture (concrete, pigments, wood, paint)

Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT, 2020

Photo: Philipp Friedrich



Zehn Zähne (Marička), detail
Sculpture (concrete, pigments, wood, paint)
Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT, 2020
Photo: Philipp Friedrich



Mit Händen und Füßen sprechen (Marička)

Sculpture (concrete, pigments, wood, paint)

Maruša Sagadin/Merete Vyff Slynborg, Vestjyllands Kunstpavillon, Denmark

Photo by David Stjernholm



Schnelle Beine (Fast Legs) (Marjetka)
Sculpture (concrete, pigments, wood, paint)
Photo: David Stjernholm

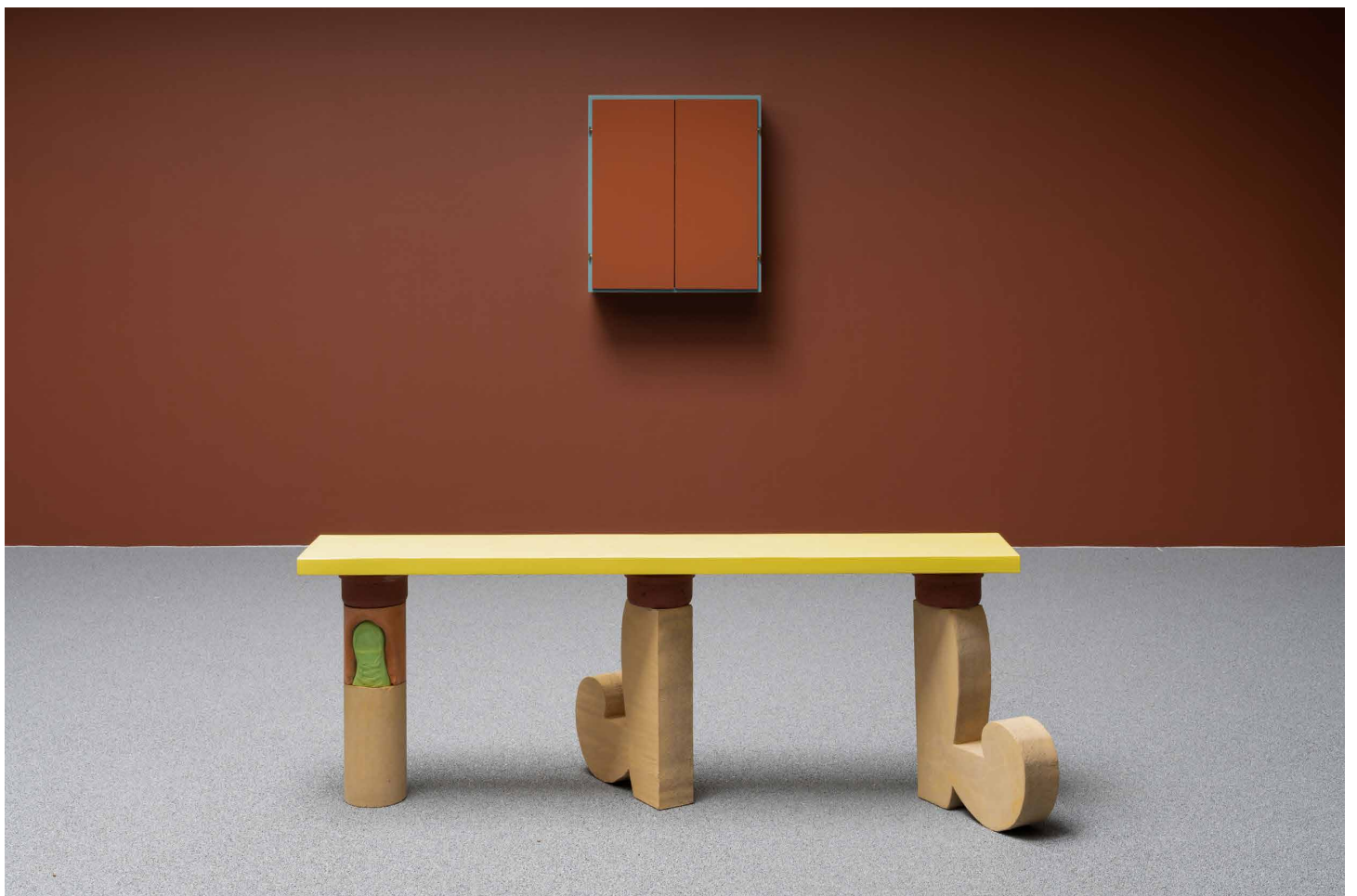


Selbe Schuhe, andere Wohnung (Marjetka), 2020

Sculpture (concrete, pigments, wood, paint)

Christine König Galerie, Vienna / AT, 2020

Photos: Căcilia Brown



Installation view, Maruša Sagadin/Merete Vyff Slyngborg, Vestjyllands Kunstpavillon, Denmark
Photo by David Stjernholm

Herz - Bar

Artist Bar, Installation
Secession, Vienna / AT, 2018
curated by Annette Südbeck





Herz-Bar

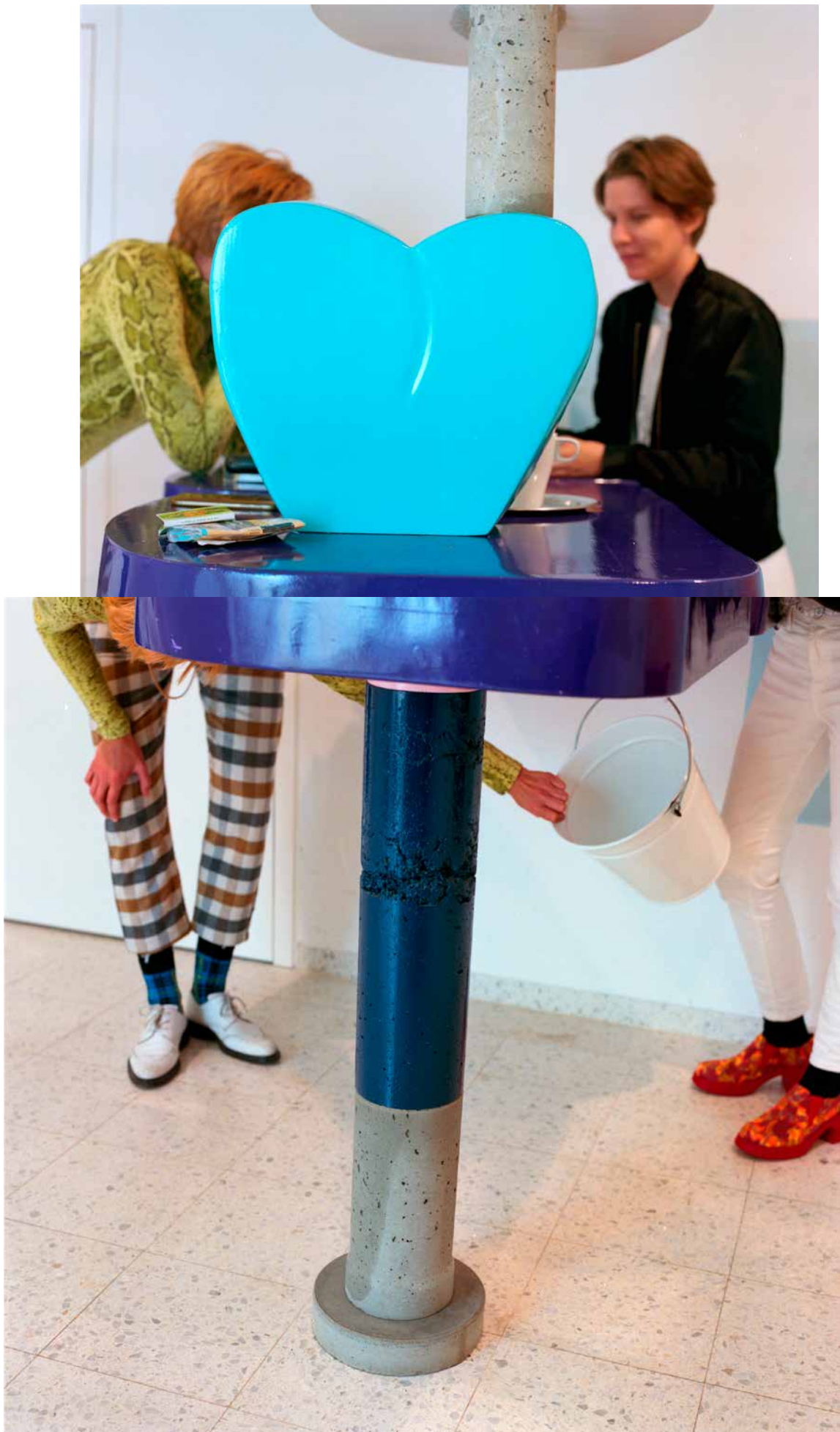
Sculptures (concrete, wood, paint); posters (paper, paint)

Lights by Hannes Fürst

Photo: Paul Knight







Herz-Bar

Photo: Căcilia Brown

B-Girls, Go!

Sculpture in public space

KÖR, Vienna / AT, 2018

Several centuries of masculine-dominated, gendered urbanism conditioned you, perhaps, to understand public art strictly as commemorative or decorative. You might regard other sculptures as either aesthetic baubles or heroic gestures—precious objects deposited from above to validate its location, a building, a neighbourhood, a city.

*Not this. Here is your lucky cap. Fold it over, curve the brim, and keep it close. It is your faithful companion.
From now on, all you experience together belongs only to you both.*

Rather than memorialise teenage subculture as an historic moment or static model to follow, Sagadin recognises its perpetuation, knowing trends never stand still. ‘B-Boys’ are male teenage hip-hop dancers and street artists whose shorthand name reinforces the deeply gendered dynamics present even in emerging culture. In contrast, Sagadin builds a brilliantly coloured, oversized metal baseball cap dedicated to all the female and genderqueer teenagers. (JL Murtaugh)



B-Girls, Go!

Sculpture (metall, wood, paint), Photos: Ulrich Dertschei









B-Girls, Go!, Belvedere 21, Vienna
Photos: Johannes Stoll, Belvedere, Wien

She in Caps

Sculptures

Koenig2 / Christine König Gallery, Vienna / AT, 2018

curated by Robby Greif

I lived on the top floor of Ernő Goldfinger's brutalist icon, Balfron Tower for a few years and a rumour pervaded the building while I lived there. The rumour was that Goldfinger had the idea to take a street from the ground and lay it like a template onto a floor of the Tower. A street became a floor. So if you took Andrew Street from the ground, where, Mrs Smith lived next to the Singhs' and in turn they lived next to the Follleys'. These people and their tethered neighbour relations were lifted from the street to a single floor in the Tower. Now Andrew Street became floor 21 say and still Mrs Smith lived next to the Singhs' and in turn they lived next to the Follleys'. The thing is, because of the design of the interior of the tower, the chains of connection no longer simply went left and right as they did on the ground. They were not laid 1:1 like in Borges'1 tale, well in appearance yes but in truth not quite. Goldfinger left the surface image of the building intact but he folded the unseen meta-structure inside. In essence he sort of, hacked the expected code within the building machine.

(quot. Paul Knight)



Das Herz in der Hose
Sculpture (concrete, wood, paint)
Photo: Paul Knight



Das Herz in der Hose (detail)
Sculpture (concrete, wood, paint)
Photo: Paul Knight



A Happy Hippie (Happy stories are all happy in the same way and unhappy each in their own way)

Sculpture (wood, metal, concrete, paint)

Photo: Paul Knight



Milli Bofilli

Sculpture (wood, metal, concrete, paint)

Photo by David Stjernholm



Milli Bofilli

Sculpture (wood, metal, concrete, paint)

Photo by David Stjernholm



MC Angel / Tschumi Alumni, Halle für Kunst und Medien, Graz
Sculpture (wood, paint)
Photo: MK

Terra Cotta, Panna Cotta

Installation

Syndicate, Cologne / DE, 2016

curated by JL Murtaugh

Terra Cotta, Panna Cotta begins by infusing canonical decorative traditions with Sagadin's characteristic semiotic humor.

Saturated with playful, rehydrated neoclassical and postmodern details, the show's aesthetic signatures have as much in common with retro-couture clothing as the implied architectures – a liberal blend of pop culture, graphic, comedic, and anatomic influences. However, the resulting objects do not comfortably reside within any of these categories, constantly changing with each exhibition. Sagadin's primary material is a malleable and personal language which feints toward function, durability, and timelessness.

The exhibition partially functions as a second-act evolution of Doris, Ionic, Iconic, her exhibition at SPACE, London this past Spring, which featured indoor and outdoor benches representing that show's title. In this setting, the sculpture now becomes a central, theatrical character. The reclining, pantomime caryatid on its union-mandated break masquerades vainly as street furniture to disguise its metamorphosis. The surface-mounted prop cosmetic (first appearing as an outdoor installation in London) might mean the character has rested in place too long, or suggest a designer's quirky presentation of a model big-budget skyscraper.

Sagadin's surrounding wall objects start with standard foam insulation material in the manufacturer's proprietary color, which is excavated to admit a rough concrete mix. The process simulates the pouring of structural foundations, but onto a permeable, branded ground which assumes an advertisement-like profile when hung upright. These are supplemented with an installation of posters and research material fly-posted at the edges, the mossy origins of the puzzling drama creeping back into view.

(JL Murtaugh)



*Terra Cotta, Panna Cotta with Lipstick Building; object (wood, paint, metall, concrete)
in the background: Untitled (Caryatid, yellow), Untitled (Wave, green), wallpaint
Objects (concrete, styrofoam, wood, paint)
Photo: Martin Plüddemann*



Speckstein (Soapstone) with Lipstick
Object (wood, paint, metall, concrete)
Photo: Martin Plüddemann



Untitled (Caryatid, yellow)

Object (concrete, styrofoam, wood, paint)

Photo: Martin Plüddemann



Why Can ´t I Love Life In Balance As Much As I Love The AT&T - Palace?

Collage (posters, vinyl tape); dimensions variable

Photo: Martin Plüddemann

Doris Ionic Iconic

Installation

SPACE, London / UK, 2016

curated by Persilia Caton

Maruša Sagadin's Doris Ionic Iconic includes a public bench-like sculpture in front of SPACE Mare Street and in the gallery, a smaller sculpture for sitting on and a series of wall works. The project refers to architectural and bodily forms in combination with post-modern colour palettes and graffiti fonts to make visible a choreographed contemporary urban language.

Highly aware of her architectural predecessors, the artist plays off distinctly historical and contemporary forms and their associated classifications. By renaming the Doric column Doris, Sagadin shifts the concept of support structure to a gendered context. Collapsing the space between the Ionic column and Zaha Hadid's iconic architectural wave form, Sagadin's resulting sculptural mash-ups move swiftly between a stadium fashioned into a pair of platform shoes or a skyscraper depicted as a tube of lipstick. Brought together with foundational architectural elements, these associations highlight strength and visibility. The project as a whole reflects numerous perspectives from the general commercialisation of urban space to personal desires, consumer urges and experiences of the individual resident.

(Persilia Caton)



Doris Ionic Iconic

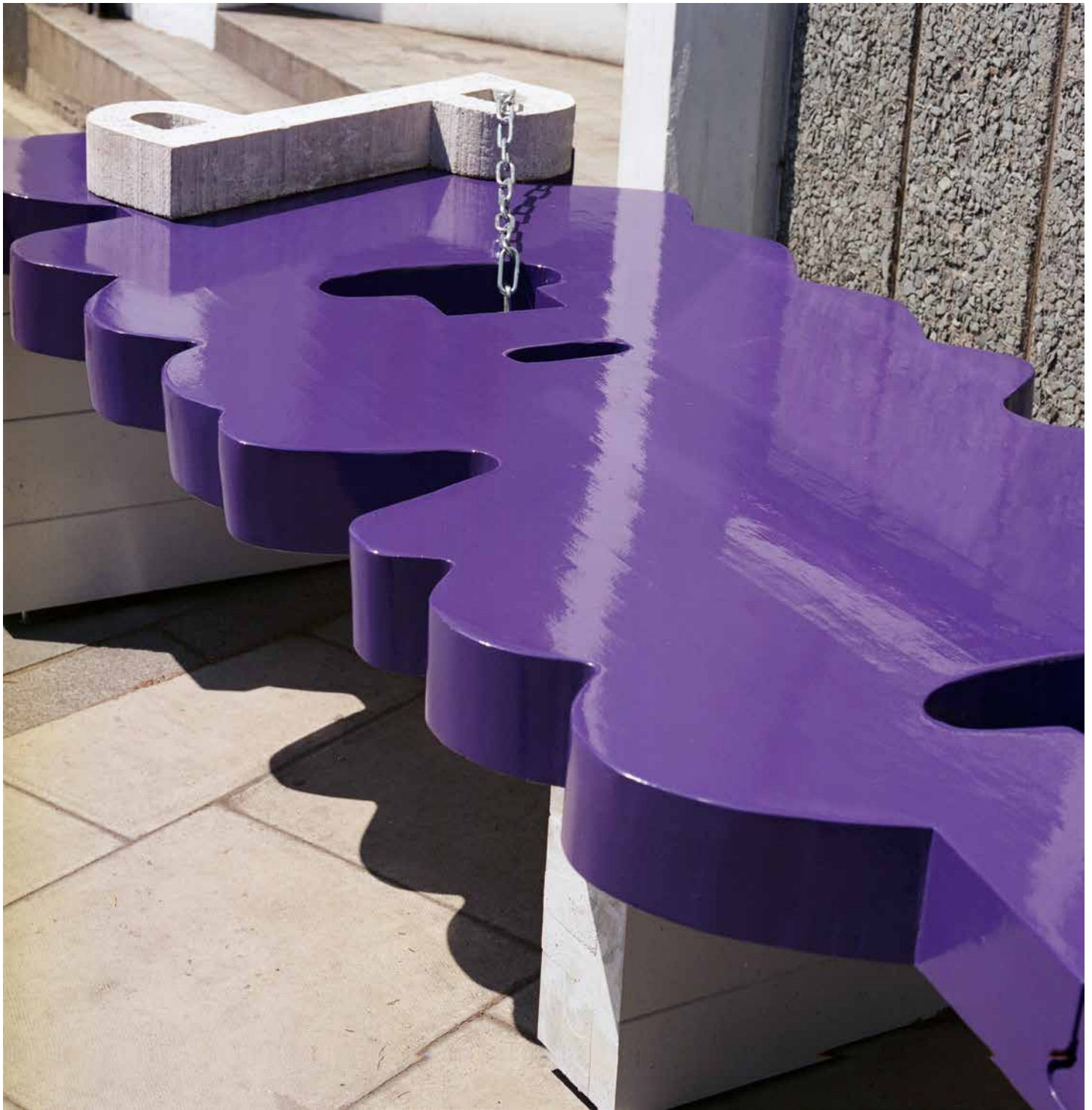
Bench (Ionic) - (wood, paint) with P-P, O2-Shoes, Lipstick Building;

Commissioned by SPACE, all photos by Tim Bowditch

600 x 100 x 60 cm



*Doris Ionic Iconic
Bench (Ionic) (detail)
Photos by Căcilia Brown*



*Doris Ionic Iconic
Bench (Ionic) (detail)*
Photo by Căcilia Brown



*Doris Ionic Iconic
Bench (Ionic) (detail)*
Photo by Căcilia Brown





Doris Ionic Iconic

Installation (sculpture, posters, wall objects)

Commissioned by SPACE, all photos by Tim Bowditch



Untitled (Iconic)

Object (concrete, styrofoam, wood), wall paint



Performance by MC Angel within the show Doris Ionic Iconic
Photo by Căcilia Brown

EXTRA EXTRA ELLE

Maruša Sagadin

07.11. — 27.12.2014

Eine übergroße Gestalt, eine Macht, eine
Seltenheit, eine zukunftssträchtige Figur,
eine Hoffnung.

Ein Blick in die Zukunft, ein Blick ins Abseits mit
neuen Absätzen, ins Abgefahrene, eine Alternative,
es ist Fun und futuristisch, es ist Science

AB - GE - SPACE - T

nicht luftstromlinienförmig aber rund,
neue schiefe Gestalten in der Stadt,
unübersehbar geschminkte Oberflächen,
die verdrängten Unklarheiten —

die Form, die neue Norm:

Die neue Norm, die Urform.

Es ist Silber, es ist spiegelnd —

Pink ist Punk und Silber ist Space.

Es ist ein XXL-LQQQÖ●●ook-Book.



Extra Extra Elle

Installation (objects, wall painting, collages); all photos by West.Fotostudio



Extra Extra Elle (Hungerburgbahn)
Object (smoothing cement, cardboard, paint, wood)



Extra Extra Elle (Bergisel)

Object, collages (wood, paint, paper, photo)



Sock
Wallpainting (paint)



O-Two-Shoe

Object (smoothing cement, cardboard, paint, wood)

Museum Of Contemporary Art, Ljubljana / SI; Photos by Dejan Habicht

Meet The Residents (Brothers and Sisters, Freundschaften gibt ´s nur auf Augenhöhe)

Installation

Exhibit, Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, / AT, 2014

Kunsthalle Exnergasse, Vienna / AT, 2014

With her installation *Meet The Residents*, Maruša Sagadin relates to specific fragments from the right interior wing of Bosch´s Last Judgement triptych, while she simultaneously looks at the city and the variety of its residents. As a peculiar cabaret, her three-dimensional mise-en-scène seems to loosely reminisce on the Vienna cabaret *Die Hölle (The Heel, 1906-1937)*, an example of an (also literal) underground counterculture to Vienna´s high and court culture. The self-empowerment project of a counterculture is conceived more abstract here, though. If power can be defined as a quantity or order and self-pity does not offer an option for resistance, a counterpower strategy might consist in staging oneself as big, too. This could have been exactly what the underground band *The Residents* did when they presented themselves as no less than alternative Beatles on the cover of their album in 1974.

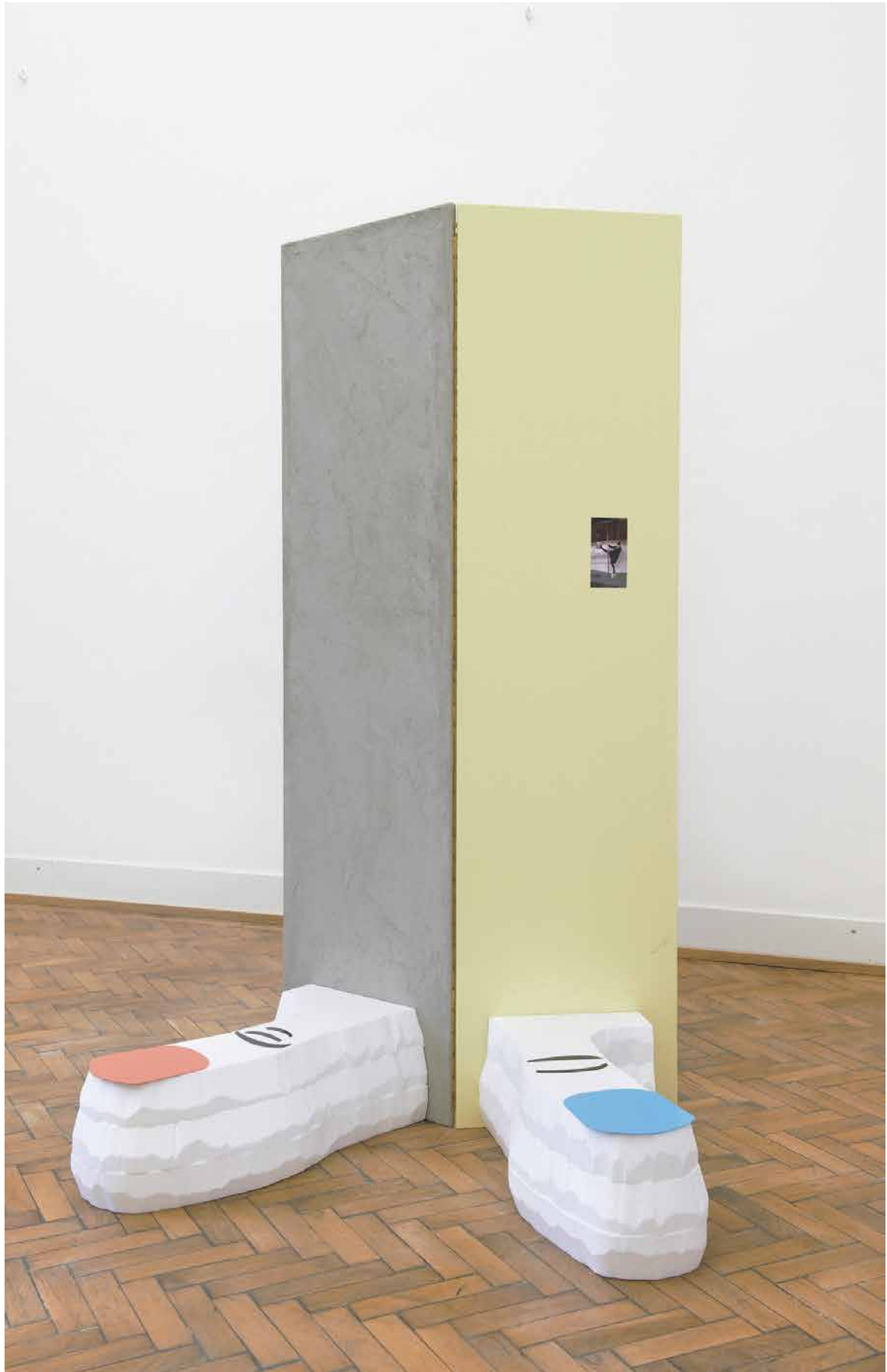
(Dieter Lesage, curator „The Very Last Judgement Triptych“)



Meet The Residents (Brothers and Sisters, Freundschaften gibt ´s nur auf Augenhöhe)

Installation (*Toe, Tooth, Hand - die B.I.G., Shoes*; styrofoam, metall, wood, concrete, smoothing cement)

Photos by Lena Deinhardstein





Hand (die B.I.G.)

Sculpture (wood, concrete, metal, paint)

Photo by Anna Barfuss





Franzis Sommerloch

Performance/installation by Căcilia Brown, Nora Rekade, Maruša Sagadin
In der Kubatur des Kabinetts – der kunstsalon im Fluc, Vienna



Meet The Residents (Brothers and Sisters, Freundschaften gibt ´s nur auf Augenhöhe)
Installation (objects, wall panels, shoes); photos by Anna Barfuss

Stress in Texas

neon signs

table sculptures

Installation in public space
Festival district, steirischer
herbst, Graz / AT 2011





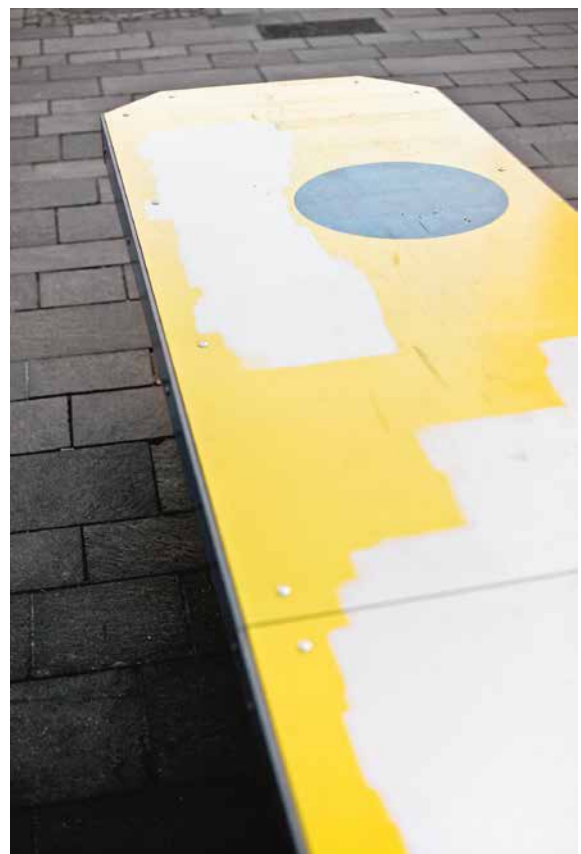




table-sculpture (fiber cement, concrete, paint); neon writings;
steirischer herbst 2011 / Photos: silveri photographie & Căcilia Brown





Wo ist unser Niveau Herr Perrault?

Sculpture with turntable, record, rap

Sculpture: 170 x 90 cm /

Record/rap: 7"

Photos: Anna Barfuss

2009

For this installation, I first wrote a text that I then recorded on a vinyl forty-five in form of a rap performance. The record player is situated in a kind of table structure which represents a simplified skyline of the Viennese ‚Donaucity‘, but, regarding its steel and wood construction and the curved tube of the loudspeaker, is also a reference to the surfaces of today's architecture. The text and the shape of the installation relate to the Vienna Towers, towers of 220 and 160 meters high which are supposed to form a distinctive landmark in the Viennese ‚Donau-City‘ and are currently designed by the French star architect Perrault.





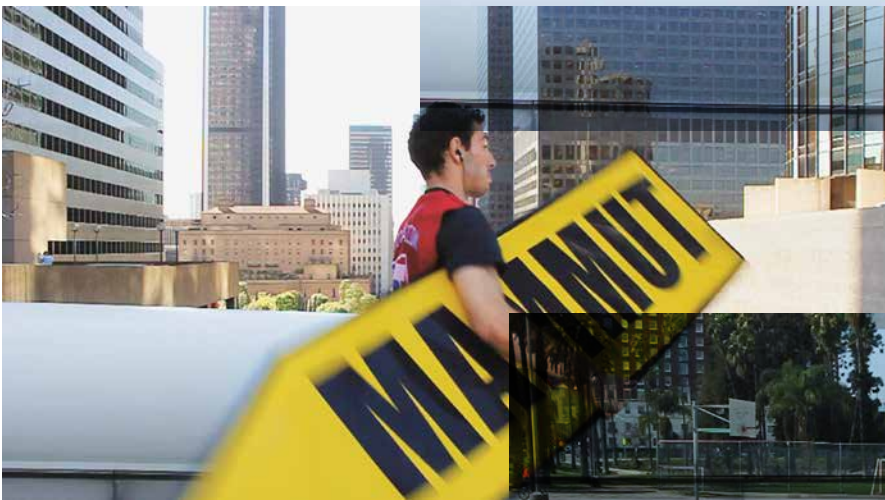


Wo ist unser Niveau, Herr Perrault? (blue), 2019

Everybody says Hi to Hans because Hans says Hi to everybody

Installation: Video 5:41 min, objects,
drawings, collages, lamps, wall paint
MAK Center, Los Angeles, USA
Grazer Kunstverein, AT
2010

During my stay in Los Angeles I focused on advertising media. I hired a Sign Spinner and ordered signs from a local company with my own slogans. (A Sign Spinner is a person who is usually found standing along thoroughfares, using juggling, acrobatics and breakdancing to draw attention to his signs.)





Installation at the Mackey Apartments, Los Angeles
I transferred parts of the Schindler apartment like the blue wall
paint and the shelf to the installation at Grazer Kunstverein
On the photo: Rack for projector, shelf, basketball hoop,
in the back: video projection / Photo: Joshua White



Installation at Grazer Kunstverein:
blue wall paint, video projection, rack for projector, shelf, basketball hoop, collages







Stage
at Grazer Kunstverein and before at the Mackey Apartments, Los Angeles
(painted wood)
Photo: Joshua White

SEHR GERN MODERN

Maruša Sagadin



18.11. — 18.12.

Eröffnung
17. November 2010

19:00 Uhr
galerie5020, Salzburg