

YAŞAM ŞAŞMAZER

b. 1980, Istanbul, Turkey

Lives and works in Istanbul, Turkey

EDUCATION

2006 MFA, Sculpture, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University, Istanbul, Turkey

2003 BFA, Sculpture, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University, Istanbul, Turkey

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2021 either/or, Zilberman Istanbul, Turkey

2017 Dark Matter, Kunstverein Ingolstadt, Ingolstadt, Germany

Halsingsland Museum, Hudiksvall, Sweden

Havremagasinet, Boden, Sweden

2016 Metanoia, Torrance Art Museum, Los Angeles, USA

2015 Metanoia, BERLINARTPROJECTS, Berlin, Germany

2014 Metanoia, Tophane-i Amire Culture and Art Center, Istanbul, Turkey

2013 Should I really do it & Doppelgänger, with İsmail Necmi, BERLINARTPROJECTS, Berlin, Germany

2012 Doppelgänger, Künstlerhouse Marktoberdorf, Marktoberdorf, Germany

2011 Sculptures, Kunstverein Elmshorn, Elmshorn, Germany

Translations, with Ulrich Riedel, Gesellschaft für Bildende Kunst Trier e.V., Trier, Germany

Bunt gemalt & Rund gehauen, with Bodo Rott, AK 68, Wasserburg am Inn, Germany

Eigenartig vertraut / Strangely familiar, Brühl Kunstverein and Hagenring e.V., Brühl, Germany

Illuminated Darkness, Aubin Gallery, London, UK

2010 It's so complicated, BERLINARTPROJECTS, Berlin, Germany

2009 Strangely Familiar, Çağla Cabaoğlu Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2027 Sharjah Biennial 17: What remains, sits restive, curated by Angela Harutyunyan and Paula Nascimento, Sharjah, UAE

2026 The Promises of Monsters, curated by Ezgi Hamzaçebi, Hara İstanbul, Turkey

2025 Folia, curated by Selen Ansen and Eda Berkmen, Abdülmecid Efendi Mansion, İstanbul, Turkey

Once We Were Gardens, curated by Akis Kokkinos, Kampos, Chios, Greece

2024 Distilled From Scattered Blue, curated by Károly Aliotti, Galerist, Istanbul, Turkey

Rising waters, radiating lights, curated by Gizem Demirçelik & Nazlı Yayla, Zilberman Istanbul, Turkey

Suppose You Are Not, curated by Selen Ansen, Arter, Istanbul, Turkey

Cappadox 2024, curated by Kevser Güler, Cappadocia, Turkey

2023 Everything will be just like now – just a little different, curated by Derya Yücel, Künstlerhaus Palais Thurn und Taxis, Bregenz, Austria

The Age of Fire, curated by Can Akgümüş, Çankaya Culture and Arts, Ankara, Turkey

In Its Own Shadow, curated by Emre Baykal & Gizem Uslu Tümer, Arter, Istanbul, Turkey

Landscape of Memories, Zilberman Miami, USA

Landscapes Florenz & Istanbul, Museum Schloss Moyland, Germany

2022 Skin and Soul, curator: Beral Madra, Evliyagil Dolapdere, İstanbul, Turkey

You Know Who, curated by Selen Ansen and Brigitte Pitarakis, Abdülmecit Efendi Köşkü, İstanbul, Turkey

I am Nobody. Are you Nobody Too?, curated by Selen Ansen, Meşher, Istanbul, Turkey

Locus Solus, curator: Selen Ansen, Arter, Istanbul, Turkey

- Settling into the Abyss, curated by Naz Kocadere, Zilberman Istanbul, Turkey
- 2021 Zamansızlık Şarkısı, curator: Derya Yücel, Bursa, Turkey
Reset, curator: Martina Padberg, Kunstmuseum Ahlen, Germany
Unlock, Zilberman Istanbul, Turkey
- 2020 At the End of the Day, OMM-Odunpazarı Modern Museum, Eskişehir, Turkey
Unbreakable: Women in Glass, Fondazione Berengo, Venice, Italy
- 2019 The Child Within Me: A Selection from the Ömer Koç Collection, Curator: Karoly Aliotti, Abdülmecid, Efendi Köşkü, Istanbul, Turkey
The Clandestine Life of Objects, Curator: Beral Madra, Evliyagil Dolapdere, Istanbul, Turkey
Atış Serbest 5, Tophane-i Amire Culture and Art Center, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2018 Sorrowful and Restless: A selection of the Papko Art Collection, Curator: Derya Yücel, Istanbul, Turkey
Home is where the heart is, Curator: Yann Perreau, Galerie Paris-Beijing, Paris, France
Out of the Collection II, BERLINARTPROJECTS, Berlin, Germany
- 2017 Pulsanti Aperitur, The Abdülmecid Mansion, Istanbul, Turkey
Home //, Evliyagil Museum, Ankara, Turkey
Cappadox, Curator: Fulya Erdemci, Nevşehir, Turkey
Printed'17 Multiplier Effect, Mixer, Istanbul, Turkey
Ich bin ein Berliner, TOZ Artist Run Space, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2016 Replacement, Rampa Istanbul, Turkey
Nev Nadir, Galeri Nev, Ankara, Turkey
- 2015 Animal Turn, Gallery Greulich, Frankfurt, Germany
Glasstrees Gotika, Collateral Event of the 56th Biennale Arte, Venice, Italy
Recharged Reality, BERLINARTPROJECTS, Berlin, Germany
Come Home, BAP//, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2014 It's not my story, Gdańska Galeria Miejska, Gdansk, Poland
Xingjiang Biennale, Xingjiang Art Center, Urumuqi, China
20th year exhibition, Autonomous and Beautiful, Akbank Sanat, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2013 Plural, Poetic, Ironical, A selection from the Öner Kocabeyoğlu Collection, Hall Arts, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2012 Encounters: Contemporary art from Turkey in Korea, ARA Art Square, Seoul, South Korea
- 2011 Heroes & Villains, LawrieShabibi Gallery, Dubai, UAE
Confessions of Dangerous Minds, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK
Identitäten / Identities, Kunstverein Buchholz / Nordheide e.V., Nordheide, Germany
If the Nature is heaven the City is Hell, CerModern, Ankara, Turkey
- 2010 White Out, Kunsthau Erfurt, Erfurt, Germany
Istanbul Cool!, LTMH Gallery, New York, USA
Berlin.We are Alive, Gallery Favardin & de Verneuil, Paris, France
- 2009 Heimspiel 09, BERLINARTPROJECTS, Berlin, Germany
Nord Art 2009. KIC, Kunst in der Carlshütte, Büdelsdorf, Germany
- 2008 13. Biennial of Young Artists from Europe and the Mediterranean (BJCEM), Bari, Italy
- 2007 Luleå Art Biennial, Luleå, Sweden
Public Space Skellefteå, Anna Nordlander Museum, Skellefteå, Sweden
- 2003 Made in Turkey: Collective exhibition, Mine Art Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey

PRIZES

Sakıp Sabancı Art Award, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University,
2nd Prize amongst graduate students, Istanbul, Turkey

PUBLICATIONS

Landscapes Florenz & Istanbul, Museum Schloss Moyland, Germany (ISBN 978-3-935166-67-6)
either/or exhibition catalogue, Zilberman Gallery (ISBN 978-625-00-9889-9)

Metanoia, Kerber Verlag, 2014, (ISBN 978-3-941640-10-8)
Doppelgänger, Kerber Verlag, 2014 (ISBN 978-3-86678-996-8)
Yaşam Şaşmazer 2006-2011, Kerber Verlag, 2013 (ISBN 978-3-86678-875-6)
Rising: Young artists to keep an eye on, by: Olaf Salié, Daab Media, 2011 (ISBN 978-3942597036) Unleashed,
Contemporary Art from Turkey, Thames & Hudson, 2010 (ISBN 978-0500977026)

COLLECTIONS

MOCAK Collection, Krakow, Poland
Museo Pino Pascali, Bari, Italy
Olbricht Collection, Berlin/ Essen, Germany
Proje4L Elgiz Contemporary Art Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
Sabancı Collection, Istanbul, Turkey
Koç Collection, Istanbul, Turkey