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Education

2009 Graphic Design, University of Chile.

Artist Statement / Career

Painter, Pablo Benzo was born in Santiago de Chile (82) and is based in Berlin since 2013.

Loosely approaching perspective and dimension, Benzo is able to create the most impossible arrangements of unreal plants and odd vases and interior objects. Primarily focusing on composition and the ways to render their velvety surface, the artist is playing with gradients often reaching for oversaturated hues of a certain color. Contrasted against dim and neutral backgrounds, these compositions gain prominence while creating an atmosphere of freedom or confusion. In his newest body of work, the artist is attributing almost human characteristics and elements to his objects, as well as adding a more expressive painterly approach through brush stroke-rich patterns. -- Sasha Bogojev.

Exhibitions

Solo Shows

- 2020 El ruido vano en la entrada del silencio / Santiago, Chile (Galería Animal).
- 2019 The great silence of these distances / Tampa Florida, USA (Cass Contemporary).
Benzo Solo II / Berlin, Germany. (Mommsen 35 Gallery).
- 2018 Favoritismo / Santiago, Chile (Galería Animal).
The allure of devotion / Berlin Germany (BC Gallery).
Dissolution of all enchantments / Bern, Switzerland (Soon Gallery).
- 2016 Willow Waltz / Berlin, Germany (BC Gallery).
- 2015 Strange enthusiasm in troubled times / Berlin, Germany. (Sibyllas Gallery).
- 2014 Benzo Solo / Berlin, Germany. (Sibyllas Gallery).
- 2013 Chez joe #7 / Benzo. Paris, France. (Chez Joe temporary space).

Group Shows

- 2020 Colectiva XLII / Santiago, Chile (Galería Animal).
- 2019 The new classics show / Montreal, Canada (C.O.A. Gallery).
- 2018 Destination 131 / Paris, France. (Forum des Halles).

- 2017 Berlin Papers / Santiago, Chile. (Espacio La Cocherra).
Paint it forward / Tampa Florida, USA (CASS Contemporary).
Modern Fusion / Berlin, Germany (The Art Scouts).
Jedno - s Drugim // One - Another / Zagreb, Croatia (Izložbeni salon Izidor Kršnjavi).
What the gallery weekend is II / Berlin, Germany (Urban Spree Gallery).
More than this / Berlin, Germany (Mommsen35 Gallery).
Knotenpunkt 17 / Hamburg, Germany (Affenfaust Gallery).

- 2016 I Sky you / Berlin, Germany. (Magic Beans Gallery).
What the gallery weekend is / Berlin, Germany (Urban Spree Gallery).
Billboard Painters Exhibition / Viborg, Denmark (Galleri NB).
Pienkow Art Residents Exhibition / Lipinki, Poland (Pienkowsky Gallery).
International artists III / Berlin, Germany. (Mommsen35).
No walls / Berlin, Germany. (Mario Kreuzberg Gallery).

- 2015 International artists / Berlin, Germany. (Sibyllas Gallery).
International artists II / Berlin, Germany. (Sibyllas Gallery).
Ich bin Latiner / Berlin, Germany (Neurotitan gallery).
Zwischen hier und dort / Berlin, Germany. (ZKU/Zentrum für Kunst und Urbanistik).

- 2014 Parallel Dimension / Berlin, Germany. (Where is Jesus temporary space).
Urban Art Clash at Berlin Graphic Days / Berlin, Germany. (Urban Spree).
Community Clash #4 presented by Artconnect Berlin / Berlin, Germany. (Pratchwerk).
Simulacro II / Santiago, Chile. (Espacio Falso).
GetFreaky Meeting / Lille, France. (Zebulon).
- 2013 Exposición de pintura/ Santiago, Chile. (Bellavista).
Ese no soy yo / Santiago, Chile. (Espacio Oops).

Festivals / Art fairs

- 2019 Miami Context / Miami, USA.
- 2018 Urvanity, New contemporary Art Fair / Madrid, Spain.
- 2017 Scope Art Show, Art Basel / Basel, Switzerland.
- 2016 Viborg International Billboard Painting Festival / Viborg, Denmark.
Artmosphere Public Art Biennale (Second Edition) / Moscow, Russia.
Art Bodensee / Vienna, Austria (Galerie Kristine Hamann).

Art Residences

- 2016 Pienkow Artist Residency / Lipinki, Poland.