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Media Release

Helmhaus Zürich16 July to 4 September 2022

Media preview: Friday, 15 July 2022, 11 a.m.

Please sign up for the media preview by

mail.

Opening with awarding of the 2022 Art Grants: Friday, 15 July 2022, 6 p.m.

City of Zurich Art Grants 2022

Where is Zurich's art scene at right now, at a time when Europe is facing not just a pandemic but also a war? What moves artists young and old? And how do they express their concerns? The City of Zurich's Visual Arts Department and Helmhaus Zürich are pleased to present the works of those Zurich-based artists who have applied for one of the city's 2022 art grants and who have taken the hurdle of the first round of adjudication.

As in previous years, the winners of the City of Zurich's 2022 art grants are again being selected by means of a two-stage competition. The thirty-one artists who are seeking a grant to finance a work or a stay abroad and who have made it through to the second round have all contributed one work each to the show at Helmhaus Zürich.

This year's call for entries by the City of Zurich's Cultural Department drew 174 grant applications. The Visual Arts Commission invited the curators Valérie Knoll and Fabian Flückiger to serve as guest jurors alongside three of its own members: the art historian Sandra Frimmel, the curator Sabine Rusterholz Petko and the artist Florian Germann.

The 2022 exhibition was organized by two other members of the commission, Esther Kempf and Navid Tschopp. This year will see the awarding of three studio grants for residencies in Paris and Genoa as well as grants for specific works.

Representatives of the city's patronage of the arts and Helmhaus Zürich will be present at the media preview on 15 July 2022 to show you round the exhibition and answer any questions you may have. The exhibition itself will be open to the public at the usual times as of 16 July 2022.

Events

On two weekends during the show, the artists themselves will be present at Helmhaus Zürich to discuss their work and the reality of life as an artist. This event is part of the format **Das Künstler:innendasein**.

"Lieblinge der Herzen": As in previous years, visitors to the show will be invited to select their own personal favourite. The three artists whose works the public finds most interesting will be on hand to talk about them on 25 August 2022.

Guided tours with jurors and other events: For details, please consult the enclosed invitation. For up-to-date information, please consult our website and follow us on Instagram and Facebook (www.helmhaus.org, facebook.com/helmhauszuerich, Instagram: @helmhaus_zuerich).

For further details of the exhibition and the programme of events, please contact Nathalie Killias at tel. 044 415 56 77 or nathalie.killias@helmhaus.org.

For information on the City of Zurich's patronage of the arts and the grants that it awards, please contact Vanessa Gendre at tel. 044 412 30 31 or vanessa.gendre@zuerich.ch.

Images of the exhibition will be available as of Friday, 15 July 2022 at www.helmhaus.org/Presse.