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GERHARD VÖLKE

Gerhard Völke was born in 1953 in Lörrach, Germany. After completing his studies at the Kunstgewerbeschule in Basel, he studied at the Kunstakademie in Bad Reichenhall. Inspired by the volcanic rocks in the Spanish island of Lanzarote, he began painting with rust. The unpredictability of the oxidation make his work dynamic and allows them to change and evolve overtime.



The connection to the island of Lanzarote and the fascination with the volcanic rock found there, has long been reflected in Völke's process. In his most recent works, which are created under the series "Rust traces - Colored Oxidations", he turns his attention more to the colors and the fire spewing from Lanzarote's mountains.

Völke uses his rust painting technique in both sculptures and on canvas. The employment of rust as a medium allows oxidation to take over each artwork and consequently creates an unpredictable, everchanging surface. Each painting shows dynamic characters in a variety of poses and in various states of movement. The artist uses the absence of detail an unconventional media that is always changing to emphasize silhouetted characters that are also in perpetual motion.

Since 2001 his work has been exhibited in France, Switzerland, and Germany. Notable collectors include New Zealand businessman Graeme Hart, and actor Jesse Tylor Ferguson. Gerhard Völke lives and works in Binzen, Germany.

Recent Exhibitions

- 2018 Artspace Warehouse, Los Angeles, CA, USA
Galerie art box berlin, Berlin, Germany
Galerie art box berlin, Timmendorfer Strand
AIDAAluna, "Highlights am Polarkreis"
AIDAprima, Mallorca to Dubai
- 2017 Kunstmuseum Hasemann-Liebich, Gutach i. K.
Zeller Kunstwege, Storchenturm Museum,
Zell am Harmersbach, Germany
- 2016 Galerie Hanemann, Weil am Rhein/Ötlingen
SWR Landesstudio, Freiburg, Germany
- 2015 KOSMOS SCHWARZWALD, Lahr, Germany
Staatliche Kunsthalle, Krakau, Poland
- 2014 Artspace Warehouse Los Angeles, USA
Kunstwarenhaus Zurich, Switzerland
Affordable Art Fair, Maastricht, Netherlands
Kunstmuseum Hasemann-Liebich, Gutach im
Schwarzwald, Germany
Kunst 14 Zürich, International Art Fair
- 2013 Haus Salmegg, Rheinfelden, Germany
- 2012 Kulturforum Sprützhüsl, Oberwil, Switzerland
Villa Bosch, Radolfzell, Germany
- 2011 Deutsches Sport und Olympiamuseum, Köln,
Germany



- 2010 ART Galerie, Chur, Switzerland
Skulpturenpark, Mörfelden-Walldorf
Kunst in Reinach, Reinach, Switzerland
Galerie Aphold, Allschwil/Basel, Switzerland
- 2009 Stadt Lörrach Kulturprojekt Skulpturen, Lörrach
Rheinblicke-Einblicke, Schloßpark Köln-Stammheim
Museum Römervilla, Grenzach-Wyhlen
regionale10, Kunstraum Klingental, Basel,
Switzerland
Galerie Aphold, Allschwil/Basel, Switzerland
regionale9, Kunsthalle, Basel, Switzerland
- 2008 Freilichtgalerie ART-Dorf, Ötlingen, Germany
- 2007 Zehnthaus, Grenzach-Wyhlen, Germany
- 2005 Galerie+Kunstraum KIESWERK, Weil am Rhein,
Germany

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- 2004 ART MONDIAL, Breisach, Germany
- 2004 LOEBA Treuhand Jahresausstellung, Lörrach
- 2003 Deutsch/Franz. Ausstellung, Riegel
- 2003 ART INTERNATIONAL, Breisach, Germany
- 2002 ART 2002, Colmar, France
- 2002 ART INTERNATIONAL, Breisach (Preisträger)
- 2002 Kunst in Reinach, Reinach, Switzerland
- 2001 Salon des Lauréats, Horbouurg-Wihr, France
- 2001 Salon des 40, F-Saint Louis, France

