

Tobias Pils

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Education

1994 Academy of Fine Arts, Vienna, Austria

Selected Solo / Two-Person Exhibitions

(* indicates a publication)

- 2025 mumok - Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig Wien, Vienna, Austria
- 2024 *Joe Bradley & Tobias Pils*, Gisela Capitain, Naples, Italy
Happy Days, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2023 **The passage of time: On Kawara / Tobias Pils*, Bibliotheca Reiner Speck, Oswald-Mathias Ungers Haus am Kämpchensweg, Cologne, Germany
- 2022 *Between Us Space*, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Vienna, Austria
- 2021 *Redeemers*, David Kordansky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Joe Bradley – Tobias Pils, Capitain Petzel, Berlin, Germany
- 2020 Bonner Raum, Kunstmuseum Bonn, Bonn, Germany (permanent installation)
3 Paintings 2 Drawings 1 Triptych, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, New York, NY
Adam and Eve, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich, Switzerland
Alpha, Omega & Infinity, 2020, École normale supérieure Paris-Saclay, Gif-sur-Yvette, France (permanent installation)
- 2019 **Primordial Flow*, Galerie Gisela Capitain, Cologne, Germany
- 2018 **Antiparos*, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Kastro, Antiparos, Greece
Tobias Pils (with Bernhard Fuchs and Justin Matherly), Josef Albers Museum Quadrat, Bottrop, Germany
- 2017 Galerie Eva Presenhuber, New York, NY
*Josef Albers Museum, Bottrop, Germany
*Kunstalle Krems, Krems an der Donau, Austria
Tobias Pils / Michael Williams, Le Consortium, Dijon, France
- 2016 *Loge Capitain Nr 1*, Galerie Gisela Capitain, Cologne, Germany

Chinati Foundation, John Chamberlain Building, Marfa, TX
Capitain Petzel, Berlin, Germany

- 2015 *Two Drawings*, Galerie am Stein, Monika Perzl, Schärding, Austria
*Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich, Switzerland
Galerie Gisela Capitain, Cologne, Germany
- 2013 *Secession, Wiener Secession, Vienna, Austria
- 2009 Gironcoli Museum, St. Johann bei Herberstein, Austria
- 2008 Tresor BA Kunstforum, Vienna, Austria
- 2005 *Tobias Pils and Patrick Pulsinger*, Österreichischer Skulpturenpark Graz, Austria
- 2003 *Landesgalerie des Oberösterreichischen Landesmuseum, Linz, Austria

Selected Group Exhibitions

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- 2024 *Gezeiten*, Galerie nächst St. Stephan Rosemarie Schwarzwälder, Domgasse, Vienna, Austria
Sammlung², Josef Albers Museum Quadrat Bottrop, Germany
- 2023 *The Sky is Thin*, Standard Oslo, Oslo, Norway
Melencolia, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Maag Areal, Zurich
Room by Room: Concepts, Themes and Artists in The Rachofsky Collection, The Warehouse, Dallas, TX
Galerie Eva Presenhuber x Taxa, Taxa, Seoul, South Korea
Conversations, Museum Mayer van den Bergh, Antwerp, Belgium
*20, David Kordansky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
White Drops, Belenius, Stockholm, Sweden
The Echo of Picasso, Museo Picasso Málaga, Málaga, Spain
Quadrat Bottrop. Die Sammlung, Josef Albers Museum Quadrat Bottrop, Bottrop, Germany
ON STAGE – Kunst als Bühne, curated by Rainer Fuchs, Mumok, Vienna, Austria
- 2022 *Tiere*, Catherine Zeta, Cologne, Germany
The nudity of drawing: Works in black on white from Beckmann to Warhol, Kabinett des h2-Zentrum für Gegenwartskunst im Glaspalast, Augsburg, Germany
**The Drawing Centre Show*, Consortium Museum, Dijon, France
Jean-Marie Appriou, Amy Feldman, Louisa Gagliardi, Kris Lemsalu, Conny Maier, Sofia Mitsola, Tobias Pils, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Maag Areal, Zurich, Switzerland
Ecco s'incontrano, Galerie Gisela Capitain, Zweigstelle Capitain, Rome, Italy
- 2021 *Enjoy, The mumok Collection in Change*, Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig (MUMOK), Vienna, Austria
LA BOHEME, Alfonso Artiaco Gallery, Naples, Italy
**Part 2: Au rendez-vous des amis: Modernism in dialogue with contemporary art from the Sammlung Goetz*, Pinakothek der Moderne, Munich, Germany
- 2020 *Picasso Poet*, Musée Picasso, Paris, France
Picasso et la bande dessinée, Musée Picasso, Paris, France
Group Show, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich, Switzerland
Drawing 2020, Gladstone Gallery, New York, NY

Bruno Gironcoli, Elfie Semotan, Tobias Pils, Galerie am Stein, Stift Reichersberg, Austria
room enough for former teasers, curated by Marcel Hiller, Christof Lötscher and Marco Zeppenfeld, Galerie Gisela Capitain, Cologne, Germany
Nur nichts anbrennen lassen. Neupräsentation der Sammlung, Kunstmuseum Bonn, Bonn, Germany
Drawing Wow 2, curated by Anna Gille, Philip Loersch and Tim Plamper, Kunstsaale Berlin, Berlin, Germany
With Wings That Beat, Skarstedt Gallery, London, England
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- 2019 *Monopol*, Spritmuseum, Stockholm, Sweden
Some Trees. Inspired by John Ashbery, organized by Christian Malycha, Nino Meir Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2018 *Bernhard Fuchs. Justin Matherly. Tobias Pils – Malerei. Fotografie. Skulptur*, Josef Albers Museum Quadrat, Bottrop, Germany
Le Consortium Collection, Le Consortium, Dijon, France
Smooth Transitions, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich, Switzerland
Jay DeFeo – The Ripple Effect, Le Consortium, Dijon, France; Aspen Art Museum, Aspen, CO
Group Show, Eva Presenhuber, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2017 *Spiegelnde Fenster*, 21 er Haus, Vienna, Austria
- 2016 *Detour – Bruno Gironcoli, Eva Hesse, Tobias Pils*, curated by Wills Baker, Albus Greenspon Gallery, New York, NY
- 2015 *Works on Paper*, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2014 *Justin Matherly, Oscar Murillo, David Ostrowski, Tobias Pils*, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich, Switzerland
Open Studios, ISCP, New York, NY
- 2011 *April*, Jack Hanley Gallery, New York, NY
**Faistauer Preis*, Galerie im Traklhaus, Salzburg, Austria
- 2010 *Tenda Gialla*, Pogon Jednistvo, Zagreb, Croatia
4th Beijing International Art Biennale, National Art Museum of China, Beijing, China
Rezan Has Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2009 *Zauber der Zeichnung*, Galerie im Lanserhaus, Eppan, Italy
- 2008 Genia Schreiber University Gallery, Tel Aviv, Israel
- 2007 *Kienzer, Pils, Wilfling*, Museum Stift Admont, Admont, Austria
- 2006 *Ins Leere*, Zacherlfabrik, Vienna, Austria
- 2004 *Sepp Auer, Bruno Gironcoli, Michael Kienzer, Tobias Pils, Franz West*, Galerie am Stein, Schärding / Schlosspark Vornbach, Vornbach, Germany
Österreichischer Skulpturenpark, Graz, Austria
- 2003 *Steirischer Herbst*, Galerie CC, Graz, Austria
Museum Stift, Admont, Austria
Günther Förg, Tobias Pils, Roman Signer, Annelies Strba, Verein für Originalgraphik, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2002 *Steindruck Urban Stoobm* St. Gallen, Switzerland
Herforder Kunstverein, Herford, Germany

Kunsthalle Erfurt, Erfurt, Germany
Städtische Museum, Gütersloh, Germany
Galerie Eugen Lendl, Graz, Austria

- 2001 Museum der Stadt Ratingen, Ratingen, Germany
- 2000 Galerie Paul Hafner, St. Gallen, Switzerland
- 1999 Neue Galerie der Stadt Linz, Linz, Austria
- 1997 Kupfersichkabinett, Vienna, Austria
- 1996 *Kunst aus Österreich 1896 -1996*, Kunst Ausstellungshalle der Bundesrepublik Deutschland, Bonn, Germany
- 1995 Akademie der Bildenden Künste, Vienna, Austria
Palais Liechtenstein, Feldkirch, Lichtenstein, Austria
Linea Infinita, Villa Domenica per l'arte contemporanea, Treviso, Italy
Neue Galerie der Stadt Linz, Linz, Austria
- 1994 Waltherhaus, Bolzano, Italy
Ferdinandeam, Innsbruck, Austria
- 1993 Galerie Würthle, Vienna, Austria
- 1991 Haus Wittgenstein, Vienna, Austria

Curatorial Projects

- 2023 *Antoinette Zwirchmayr: In the stranglehold of ivy*, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Vienna, Austria
The Wing – "Paysage," curated by Joe Bradley & Tobias Pils, Consortium Museum, Paris, France

Grants, Awards, and Residencies

- 2016 Chinati Foundation, Artist in Residence, Marfa, Texas
- 2014 ISCP Scholarship, New York, NY
- 2011 Anton Faistauer Prize for Painting, Salzburg, Austria
- 1994 Otto Mauer Prize, Vienna, Austria

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"Tobias Pils Debuts New Evocative Grayscale Paintings in Zurich," *News.Artnet.com*, June 4, 2024

- 2023 *Pils, Tobias and Reiner Speck, *The Passage of Time: On Kawara / Tobias Pils*, Cologne: Galerie Gisela Capitain, 2023
- 2022 Paik, Sherry, "Artgenève Offers Intimate Encounters with Art History," *Ocula.com*, February 16, 2022
- 2021 Goldstein, Caroline "Price Check! Here's What Sold—and for How Much—at Art Basel Miami Beach 2021," *Artnet.com*, December 6, 2021
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 Kim, Seungduk, "Architecture-Sciences-Arts, The Good Mix: ENS Paris-Saclay," *SPACE*, December 2020, pp. 36-43
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 "Editors' Picks: 14 Events for Your Art Calendar This Week, From All-Day Chelsea 'Openings' to a Van Gogh-Themed Corn Maze," *Artnet.com*, September 7, 2020
 "Tobias Pils: 'Adam & Eve' at Eva Presenhuber, Maag Areal, Zurich," *MousseMagazine.it*, March 2020
- 2019 **Primordial Flow*, with text by Richard Shiff, Cologne: Gallery Gisela Capitain, 2019
 **Contradiction*, ed. Felix Hoffman and C/O Berlin Foundation, Berlin, 2019, pp. 248- 249
- 2018 **Antiparos*, with text by Seungduk Kim, Zurich: Galerie Eva Presenhuber, 2018
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 **Tobias Pils – Untitled (Room) & Marfa Paintings*, Bottrop and London: Josef Albers Museum Quadrat, 2017
 **Mentally Yellow. High Noon. The KiCo Collection at Kunstmuseum Bonn and Lenbachhaus München*, with text by Stephan Berg and Irene Horn, ed. Christoph Schreier, Munich: Kunstmuseum Bonn, Städtische Galerie im Lenbachhaus and Kunstbau München, 2017
 "Ausstellung: Tobias Pils," *Metropoleruhr.de*, September 2017
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- 2007 **Michael Kienzer. Tobias Pils. Wolfgang Wifling*, with text by Daniela Zyman, Admont and Vienna: Museum Stift Admont, 2007
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- 2003 **Tobias Pils*, with text by Herbert Achternbusch, Rainer Fuchs, and Ferdinand Schmatz, ed. Martin Hochleitner, Linz and Weitra: Landesgalerie des Oberösterreichischen Landesmuseum, 2003
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- 1995 *Keine Zeichnung*, with text by Matthias Boeckl, St. Gallen: Galerie Hafner, 1995
- 1994 *Damenbuch*, Tobias Pils, Weitra, 1994
- 1993 *Betblumen*, Friederike Mayröcker and Tobias Pils, Weitra, 1993

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