

Belinda Kazeem-Kamiński O.T., K.T.C.I., 2022 Video loop, color, no sound, 16:9 5 min Edition 3+1 AP

- 2 Axel Koschier o.T., 2019 Acrylic, polyester fabric, press studs 95×50 cm
- 3 Philipp Fleischmann Philipp Fleischmann, 2012/2013 Twelve photographs, b/w, glossy 10×10 cm 30.8×22 cm framed

Ellen Schafer *Mirror*, 2021 Hand-etched motorized security mirror, mirrored plexialass $75 \times 75 \times 35$ cm

Robert Lettner MEIN HERBARIUM, 1992 Acrylic on newspaper 35.5 × 26.5 cm framed

Saskia Te Nicklin O.G., 2023/2024 Pastel, chalk and charcoal on paper 119×186 cm

Constanze Schweiger Färbeproben, 2022 plant dye and iron sulfate on cotton Dimensions variable

8 Thea Moeller Floodlight, 2023 Steel, lacquer, rubber $50 \times 100 \times 60$ cm

9 Maja Vukoje Moma Lisa, 2024 Acrylic and newspaper on burlap 200 × 110 cm

10 Daniel Ferstl Monster Socks, 2020 Mixed media on canvas 64.5×50.5 cm

11 Georg Petermichl Retrospektive, 2010/2022 C-print 66.5×44 cm framed Edition of 3+1 AP

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Katharina Höglinger sweet senseless powers. almost all endless but hope, 2019 Mixed media on linen $110 \times 100 \text{ cm}$

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The Mountain Outside Our Window A group show with the 12 represented artists Curated by Katharina Höglinger 02 February 2023 -16 March 2023

2024, with the hope for a shared view or for *looking at something together:*

Here is my confession that sometimes I forget to look carefully at the things that are closest to me because I am so used to their presence. Or they just get overshadowed by those that come to the foreground all by themselves in everyday life.

I was nervous.

(Because I'm afraid of expectations and judgment).

After the exhibition *All Work* and *Time and Care*, which I curated in Cluj in the summer, we came up with the idea of putting together a follow-up exhibition at the gallery in Vienna. In a way *All Work and Time and Care 2*.

I had these words on repeat after I started reading Alva Gotby's book "They Call it Love: The Politics of Emotional Life." It's about love and how love relationships are invisible work on society and I thought to myself: is there anything left that isn't work? Yet we operate in social systems for which each other's time, work and care are somehow essential. So the primary question is how best to distribute and redistribute them.

I felt radical. (And at the same time the opposite.)

For many artists (*us*) being represented by a gallery and getting institutional visibility are essential for their professional development. This can be important not only for financial security, but also for both genuine and felt appreciation. So here we are, with different needs, experiences and – importantly – different social capital.

And then you stand with me in friendship, in admiration, in loose connection, in competition. I stand there with you, too. I am happy for you. *most of the time*

Also in the art world, relationships and connections are relevant for positioning yourself and advancing your career. What's special here is that there is hardly any distinction between professional and private, partly because I can't always distinguish between them myself. Being an artist is widely treated as a vocation rather than a profession, which primarily helps to maintain an elitist system that is frugally treated by the state. For a few this means great social and financial success. for some something in between and for many an ongoing state of precarity.

In this we are all together. *Hi* there!

I felt like an advocate.

(And also one who is looking for something she doesn't know exactly what it is).

In the context of the gallery, I keep asking myself how the individual artists relate to the works and personalities of their colleagues. I am also interested in the extent to which practices and positions influence each other and shape the external perception. The decision to curate this exhibition with all the represented artists makes it possible to establish connections, emphasize common interests, bring the works into a dialogue or simply into each other's company.

I wanted to take time (from the others, from me; for the others, for me).

Over and over again, Etel Adnan painted the *mountain* that she could see from her window. And when she was somewhere else, she missed it.

I thought it was a cute idea, I like it, it likes me.



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