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Since 2008, the artist Petra Forman (*1968, Hollabrunn) has found inexhaustible inspiration in the idyllic surroundings of her studio in the Vienna Woods and, for the last four years, in her studio on Lake Neudörfler in Burgenland. During these years of creating and living in the midst of nature, she has not only sharpened her artistic vision, but also deepened her academic and practical skills by participating in the postgraduate master's program "Art & Business" at the renowned University of Applied Arts Vienna. In addition, she expanded her skills and knowledge in the master class of the renowned artist Christian Ludwig Attersee, where she was able to gain unique insights and inspiration for her artistic career.

Petra Forman has already taken part in numerous national and international exhibitions. Her most recent successes include participation in the renowned Florence Biennale 2023 and the OSTEN BIENNALE 2024 and participation in the Climate Biennale 2024 organized by the Kunsthaus Wien. For ARTISTS FOR FUTURE GRAZ, she curated an artist collective for Parallel Vienna 2024 with artists such as Mario Dalpra.

Her creative work currently spans two fascinating places: the idyllic Burgenland and the picturesque island of Korčula in Croatia, where she creates her artworks almost exclusively outdoors in her studios.

In her figurative series, the artist presents the provocative art series 'Skinless' - a haunting collection of mostly female heads or people and figures in averted or sideways positions that expose the fragility and rawness of human emotions and the artist aims to reveal the deepest layers of our identity and vulnerability to the viewer of the artworks.

Her favoured medium includes sensually conceived figurative works that aim to elicit visceral responses, far beyond mere visual perceptions. These works are carefully crafted to evoke profound emotional or instinctual resonances rather than merely function as visual representations.

Consequently, the compositions mix abstraction with expressive elements and force the viewer to engage in an ongoing emotional dialogue with themselves.

Petra Forman's art revolves around the search for harmony and balance. Her artworks seamlessly combine elements of Croatian minimalism with echoes of ancient mysticism, creating an intriguing interplay of figures and textures that give her pieces a distinct sensory dimension.

UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS 2025

- O HUMAN BEING | SOLO EXHIBITION | KUNSTRAUM LEIBL | LIENZ | OSTTIROL
- o Ocean in Harmony | SOLO EXHIBITION | AMBASSADOR ARTSPACE | SPLIT | CROATIA
- o ART CIRCLE WOLFGANGSEE | AIR im Weißen Rössel am Wolfgangsee | AUSTRIA
- o 7th ARTE NOAH | KUNSTHALLE FELDBACH | AUSTRIA
- o ICON Gallery | Salzburg | AUSTRIA
- o 13 th Benefiz Auktion Delta Cultura | DOROTHEUM VIENNA | AUSTRIA
- o sommerfrische: wienerwald | Galerie VKK | INITIATOR & CURATOR | AUSTRIA
- o Parallel Vienna | artists for future graz | **curator & artist** | austria
- o 15th Florence Biennale | FLORENCE | ITALY
- o 4th Larnaca Biennale | Larnaca | CYPRES
- o MIAMI ARTWEEK | ART:GO | U.S.A

SELECTED EXHIBITONS

2025

- OSTEN BIENNIAL SKOPJE 2024 | FINALIST FOR AUSTRIA | NATIONAL GALLERY of N.
 Macedonia Chifte Hammam, Skopje | NORDMACEDONIA
- o FRAGILITY | SOLO EXHIBITION | EUROPAHAUS MAYERHOFEN | AUSTRIA

2024

- SALON | Petra Forman & Ina Loitzl & Tanja Prusnik & Johann Feilacher | Galerie Landerl | 1090 WIEN | AUSTRIA
- Panel Talk "GENDER PAY GAP in Kunst und Kultur", Bad Ischl, Salzkammergut 2024,
 European Capital of Culture 2024 mit Elisabeth Schweeger, Ina Loitzl, Ruth Mates-Beer moderated Doris Nentwich geladen von Dr. Iris-Daniela Auerbach
- KUNSTSALON | duo-exhibition | Petra Forman & Ina Loitzl | GALERIE AM FLUSS | Bad Ischl, Salzkammergut 2024, European Capital of Culture 2024, AUSTRIA
- PARALLEL VIENNA 2024 | Curator & Artist | Mario Dalpra, John Petschinger, Kata
 Oehlschlägel, Nikolas Dellamartina, Val Wecerka, Katrin S. Weidhofer
- o "NO FALSE FRIENDS" | METROPOLITAIN ARTCLUB | Galerie am Park | WIEN | AUSTRIA
- 12th Benefit Auction Delta Cultura Cabo Verde | DOROTHEUM | WIEN | AUSTRIA
- UN(D)BUNT | group exhibition | METROPOLITAIN ARTCLUB | KQ32 GALLERY | EISENSTADT | AUSTRIA
- SOLO "Fragile Obsessions" | Galerie AM FLUSS | Europäische Kulturhauptstadt
 Salzkammergut 2024 | BAD ISCHL | AUSTRIA
- o FM4 Sound Swound private sound session | Salon@Mannervilla | Vienna Austria
- "The Land of Silence" Groupe Exhibition | MUSA Pavilion at Palazzo Pisani-Revedin (Side event 60th Biennale di Venezia 2024)
- o "50 Jahre Galerie VKK Eichgraben" | Galerie VKK | Eichgraben | AUSTRIA
- OPENING KUNSTHANDEL SCHROTTMEYER | EGGENBURG | AUSTRIA

2023

- Luxemburg Art Week | ArtXchains | Luxemburg
- o moments | exhibition & artist talk | art gallery space Rixos | Dubrovnik | Croatia
- o dinner & art | SALON@MANNER VILLA | Metropolitain Art Club | Vienna | Austria
- o FREILUFT WINTEREDITION | PALAIS AUERSPERG | Vienna | Austria
- o ART Expo Ljubljana | Institute Atelje Art Murn International | Ljubljana | Slovenia
- o 14th Florence Biennale | Florence | Italy
- o Die Kunst ist weiblich | Petra Forman & Nina Maron | Galerie VKK | Austria
- o ART & Concert w/ Conchita Wurst | Galerie VKK | Eichgraben | AUSTRIA
- TRANSFORM ARTE Kunstmesse | Eisenstadt | AUSTRIA
- o KUNST & WEIN | Haugsdorf | AUSTRIA
- o SICILY SUMMER ART EXPO | RAGUSA CATHEDRAL MUSEUM | Sicilian | ITALY
- o 6th ARTE NOAH | KUNSTHALLE FELDBACH | Feldbach | AUSTRIA
- o Behind the Minimalismus | GALERIE AM PARK | Forman & Kern | AUSTRIA
- o 100 Jahre Eichgraben | Galerie VKK | Eichgraben | AUSTRIA
- o 11th Benefit Auction | Delta Cultura | DOROTHEUM VIENNA | Vienna | AUSTRIA
- o WOMAN'S ESSENCE SHOW | ART WEEK BERLIN | MUSA | Berlin | Germany
- o "Rebel with a cause "| Metropolitain Art Club | PLAIN ART Gallery | AUSTRIA
- o ARTMUC 2023 | MTC Locations | MUNICH | GERMANY
- o "UNVERHÜLLT" NUDE MEETS JAZZ | DIALOG AM MÖDLINGBACH Galerie | AUSTRIA
- o Love Stories | Galerie Art & Business | Zürich | SWITZERLAND
- Neujahresausstellung | Marriott Hotel | Innsbruck | AUSTRIA

2022

- UNITED PERSPECTIVES II | GALLERIA ALBERI | Petra Forman & Strolz-Taferner | Vienna | AUSTRIA
- 4th BIENAL DE ARTE BARCELONA | MEAM Museum | Barcelona | SPAIN
- WE ARE REVERSAL | MUSA PAVILION Palazzo Pisani-Revedin | side event 59th
 Biennale di Venezia Venice | ITALY
- o UNITED PERSPECTIVES I | Galerie Alberi | Strolz-Taferner & Forman | Vienna | AUSTRIA
- o "COLOURS OF LIFE" | Curator & Artist | Galerie Alberi | Vienna | AUSTRIA
- ESSENCE OF A MOMENT | Curator & Artist | Galerie Alberi | Vienna | AUSTRIA

2021

- "A VISUAL CULTURE" | group exhibition | VAN DER PLAS GALLERY | NEW YORK | USA
- o "GAIA THE ORIGIN" | M.A.D.S ART GALLERY (virtual) | Milano | ITALY
- o Rome Art Week | Right here, right now | GALERIE ROSSOCINABRO | Rom | ITALY
- o FOCUS ART & FASHION SHOW | SAATCHI GALERIE | LONDON | U.K.
- o TRANSFORM ARTE "100 Jahre Eisenstadt" Kunstmesse | Eisenstadt | AUSTRIA
- o 10th art3f ART FAIR | MONAT Gallery | Paris | FRANCE
- 13th VENICE INTERNATIONAL ART FAIR | THE ROOM Contemporary Art Space |
 Palazzo Albrizzi-Capello | VENECIA | ITALY

- o THE ART OF LIGHT | group exhibition | GALERIA MONAT | MADRID | SPAIN
- o ART FOR ART'S SAKE 6 | VIRTUAL ARTISTS | (virtual group show) | LONDON | U.K.

2016 - 2020

- o SOFT OPENING | group exhibition | GALERIE KRAS | VIENNA | AUSTRIA
- VKK Galerie | group exhibition | The inner circle | Eichgraben/AUSTRIA
- o TOGETHER | group exhibition | GALERIE EISENKAMP | VIENNA | AUSTRIA
- o SOFT OPENING | group exhibition | GALERIE KRAS | VIENNA | AUSTRIA
- o VKK Galerie Wienerwald | various exhibition | Moments | Eichgraben/AUSTRIA