

Collection „Inner Self“ is a series of portraits, where various images disappear and appear, it is a space that dares to be mistaken for reality and that dares to identify with it. Each time it is a new portrait - differently done, anew reflected, with it's own story and brings different emotion and experience. Until the last moment I do not know how the final result will look like. In order to accentuate the richness, expressiveness of depiction I try to use a variety of artistic expressions and techniques - pulsating, delicate, and sometimes sketchy line, different splashes, patterned elements, the method which evolves from graphic techniques until painting approach. My creativity is based on experimentation, visualization of inner self and presentation of instant feeling rather than long-lasting appearance.

My goal is to eventually open perception to the sensorial dimensions of the experience. My „Inner Self“ portraits upend the notion of beauty, exploiting its inherent artifice. Using a variety of methods to work on paper, I utilize direct application of paints, inks, varnishes, bitum, resins, dissolvents.

In philosophical context the collection „Inner Self“ is based on the ontological nature of human-being. It refers to the idea that the relationship between the human mind and the exterior is fundamental to how things "be." My idea is to show this concept visually in a way of transforming images of people portraits, trying to give new visual characteristics, to highlight inner state.

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STUDIES:

2011-2013 MA in Graphic arts in Šiauliai University (Lithuania)

2004-2008 BA in Graphic arts in Šiauliai University (Lithuania)

2007 spring semester - Graphic arts in Academy of Humanities and Economics in Lodz (Poland)

ART PROJECTS, MEMBERSHIPS, AWARDS:

2015 Project "Graphics of Being", Raseiniai (LT)

2015 Plein-air "Republic of Monmartre", gallery "Laiptai", Siauliai (LT)

2015 7th International Lithographic Symposium, Tidaholm (Sweden)

2015 1st International portrait symposium "S. Riomerienė. Artimo portretas", Siauliai (LT)

2014 3rd Prize at International Ex Libris Contest "Weathervane of the Curonian Lagoon - Past Ages "Facebook" ", Šilutė (LT)

2014 III Latgale Symposium, Marko Rothko Center, Daugavpils (Latvia)
2014, 2013 Educational National Grant
2014 3rd International Symposium "Šiauliai-saulės miestas. Visada geras oras", Šiauliai (LT)
Since 2014 Member of Lithuanian Artists' Association;
2013 18th LindArt International Young Artists' Fine Arts Colony Lendava 2013 (Slovenia)
2013 3rd Prize in Annual Graphic Exhibition „Graphics from Drawing to Shadow“, Vilnius (Lithuania)
2012 Young Artist Grant for 2013 from municipal government of Šiauliai (Lithuania)
Since 2012 member of Artist Association "Graphic i Vast" Gothenburg (Sweden)
2012 International Art Project "Wonderous Stories: From Xenophobia to Amazement", Olde Vechte Foundation, Ommen, (Netherlands).
2009 EVS "Promotion of Young Local Artists " ("Promotion des jeunes artistes locaux"), Biarritz (France)
Since 2006 member of International Mail Artist Group (I-MAG) Malaysia.

PERSONAL EXHIBITIONS:

2014

October 18-November 5 "Fairy-tale after Sleep", Gallery "Grafik i Vast", Gothenburg (Sweden)
September 26-November 26 "Rūkas ID", Panevėžio bendruomenių rūmai (LT)
February Laiko tylos (v)IRSMAS, LEU Gallery "Verdenè", Vilnius

2013

December 13-January 8 (2014) "Metamorphoses" in Šiauliai University Art Gallery, Šiauliai (Lithuania)
September 13 - October 8 Exhibition "...I don't Remember More" in art gallery of Kursenai Art School", Kursenai (Lithuania)
May 16-21 Exhibition „Does smell has a shape?“ during 17th International Interdisciplinary Conference „The Smell in Culture“, Šiauliai University library.

2012

August 3 - 17 Exhibition in La Castel in Dinan (France)
July 5 – Silk-screen exhibition "Pseudoamnesia" during festival „Level B“ in Contemporary Art Center in Vilnius (Lithuania)
May 10 – Visual project "Fairy-tale" during the festival „Garsas dėl vaizdo“ in Šiauliai (Lithuania)
April 19–May 10 Silk-screen exhibition "Natūralių istorijų papildymas" in Žemaitijos dailininkų sąjungos parodų galerija in Klaipėda (Lithuania)
March 23 – April 11 "Žmonės fraktaluose" in Šiauliai University Art Gallery (Lithuania)

GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

2015

September 17 - October 3 B3 „Assamblaaž“, Linnagalerii, Parnu (EE)
August 22 - September 27 Project "Sofija Riomeriene. Aizmirstā. Intīmais portrets", Talsu museum (LV)
July 24 - September 5 "On Paper, Without Borders" ("Na papierze bez granic..."), Šiauliai Art Gallery (LT)

July 24 - August 19 Project "S. Riomerienė. Artimo portretas", Siauliai University Art gallery (LT)
March 13 - April 2 Annual exhibition "Me", Siauliai university Art Gallery (LT)
February 12 - March 7 "One artist - One Artwork", Siauliai Art Gallery (Lithuania)
January 22 - February 28 "Kamera", Jelgavas Sv. Trisvienības baznīcas tornī, Jelgava (Latvia)

2014

November 14 - January 31 (2015) "Lithuanian Art Space", Marko Rothko Center, Daugavpils (Latvia)
November 7-16 Guangzhou International Exlibris and Mini-prints Biennial, Art Museum of Guangzhou Academy of Fine Arts, Guangzhou (China)
November 5 - January (2015) 3rd Contemporary Art Quadrennial 2014, Bastion of Vilnius (LT)
October 30 - November 23 "Sacred Memories", Pico House, Los Angeles (USA)
October 23 - November 10 "On Paper, Without Borders" ("Na papierze bez granic..."), ACK UMCS "Chatka Zaka", Lublin (Poland)
October 14 - November "Apothecary Notes" ("Aptiekara piezīmes"), Marko Rothko center, Daugavpils (Latvia) September 18-25, "Faites Vos Voeux", Slow Gallery, Paris (FR)
September 6 - October 6 XV International Biennial of Small Graphic Forms and Exlibris, Museum of the City of Ostrow Wielkopolski (Poland)
August 20-September 1 "Lašiņų bēgimas/Salmon Run", Šiauliai Art Gallery (LT)
August 1-15 Third International Graphic Symposium "Šiauliai-saulės miestas. Visada geras oras", ŠU Gallery (LT) July 17-20 International ZooArt festival, Giardini Fresia, Cuneo (IT)
June 14-July 4 Group exhibition "21", Small Gallery, Druskininkai (LT)
June Exhibition of new members of Lithuanian Artists' association, Artists' Association exhibition hall, Vilnius (LT) February 28 - March 20 Group exhibition "Me", Siauliai University Art Gallery (LT)
February 14-27 Siauliai Artists' Association's annual exhibition "Eden Gardens", Siauliai University Art Gallery (LT)

2013

December 2 - 7 Fourth NBC Meshtec Tokyo International Screen Printing Biennial, Gallery of the Japan Artists Association in Ginza, Tokyo (Japan)
November 14 - December 31 International Group Show "Allegory: Beyond depiction, banalities & cultural statements", Vargas Gallery, Florida (USA)
October 10 - November 9 - International exhibition "Visit Card", Latgales Centrālajā bibliotēkā, Daugavpils (Latvia) September 24 - October 12 8th International triennial of small graphics, gallery "Kairė dešinė", Vilnius (Lithuania) July 19 - August 31 Exhibition of 18th LindArt International Young Artists' Fine Arts Colony Lendava 2013 in the Lendava Castle (Slovenia)
May 7 - June 1 European Contemporary Print Triennial 2013 in Médiathèque de Tournefeuille (France)
March 27 - April 9 Exhibition of BA and MA Art graduate students of Art Faculty of Šiauliai University in exhibition hall of Telšiai art faculty of Vilnius Art Academy, Telšiai (Lithuania)
January 22-February 9 Exhibition "They already know..." of MA Art Graduate students, Šiauliai Art Gallery, Šiauliai (Lithuania)
January 8 - 26 Annual exhibition "Graphics from Drawing to Shadow 2013" in Gallery of Vilnius Graphic Art Centre „Kairė – dešinė“ (Lithuania)

2012

August 18 - September 5 Graphics exhibition of new members of association "Grafik i Vast", in Grafik i Vast art Gallery, in Gothenburg (Sweden)
February 3-18 "Second Shift" („Antra pamaina“) in Šiauliai Art Gallery (Lithuania)

2011

September 21 – October 22 International Mail Art group exhibition "Croque la pomme" in Argentan (France) May-June International Mail Art group exhibition "Wings" (part of the festival "Road of Art 2011") in the district Diepholz in Lower Saxony (Germany)

May - International Mail Art group exhibition during Mayworks festival in Zocalo Gallery, Courtenay, BC (Canada) May International Mail Art group exhibition in Artfitterz (Part of Mayworks festival) in Nanaimo (Canada)

April - May International Mail Art group exhibition in Winnipeg Public Library (Part of Mayworks festival) in Parksville (Canada)

2010

June 5– July 11 Art Exhibition in Rochester Contemporary Art Center, NY (USA)

2009

December 3-6 International Mail Art exhibition "L'enfance Mailartee, etc..." in l'Espace Lelievre in Valenciennes (France)

September 19-20 26th International Mail Art exhibition "EMANcipation" in Luftwaffenmuseum in Berlin (Germany) July 30 – August 6 International Mail Art exhibition during the Art & Nature Festival of Roc-Castel in Le

Caylar (France)

July 28 International Mail Art exhibition "EMANcipation" in Burgerhalie im Rathaus Minden (Germany)

June 26 International Mail Art exhibition "EMANcipation" in General-Steinhoff-Kaserne in Berlin (Germany)

June 5th International Mail Art exhibition "Los Animales Exoticos en el arte" in Plaza de armas in Durango,

Dgo (Mexico)

May 5-29 International Mail Art Project "Culture" at the Crabe Gallery in Jodoigne (Belgium)

March 21-22 International Mail Art Project "Miniatura d'autore" in presso l'Associazione Teatrale I SENZA QUINTE in Olbia (OT) (Italia)

January 3 International Mail Art Project "The last Show of the Shopping Trolley Gallery" in London (UK)

2008

April- January, International Identification Document group exhibitions:

April 4-20, The Museum of Arts and Crafts-ITAMI (Japan) August 2-17 – May, in ZAIM in Yokohama (Japan) November-December, 2 B Gallery in Budapest (Hungary) January 2009, Galerie Kurt im Hirsch in Berlin (Germany) February 2009, Galeria Z in Bratislava (Slovakia)

April 17-May 8 2009, Galeria Ajolote Arte Contemporaneo, Guadalajara (Mexico)

June, Mail Art exhibition group "Artist Workshops" in Santiago de Compostela (Spain)

June 11-15, Mail Art Project "From A to Z" in Gradignan (France)

May International Mail Art exhibition "Bake a Book a Day" at Café de l'Opera in Minden (Germany)

May, International Mail Art exhibition "Work Work Work" during Mayworks festival in Arrowsmith Gallery, Parksville, BC (Canada)

April, Mail Art group exhibition at the Hellenic Pagan Festival "Olympieia" in Athens (Greece)

March 19-28, Dimensionist Worldwide Meeting, an event of the Budapest Spring Festival at Artpool P60 (Hungary)

2007

Mail Art International exhibition "The Snowman" in Sangiorzu-Nou School, Jud. Bistrita-Nasaud (Romania) November 25 – December 15, Mail-Art International exhibition "What About Croxhapox" in Croxhapox art centre in Gent (Belgium)

September 30, 2nd International Mail-Art exhibition "Global Warming: a Hot Time in the Old Town" in

Asylum Gallery (Italy)

August 17 – October 15, International Mail-Art exhibition "Doctor Mail Art Recommends" in gallery "Mailart- Mekka" in Minden (Germany)

June 22, Group animation exhibition in Humanities and Economics Academy in Lodz (Poland)

April, International exhibition "Reading rats" in public library in Berlin-Zehlendorf (Germany)

March 5 – April 3, "The Bicycle" festival:

March 5 – March 13, International exhibition in Gallery "Atrebates" in Dozza (Italy)

March 20 – April 3, International exhibition in Bologna (Italy) February 07 – 21, Graphic exhibition, ŠU gallery (Lithuania)

2006

International Mail-Art exhibition titled "Without papers" in Gallery Art Correo (Spain)

October 28, Monotypes exhibition in Antipop's Art festival , Club "Amerika pirtyje" in Kaunas (Lithuania) September 23 – October 31, "Dream city" festival:

September 23 – October 01, International Mail-Art group exhibition "Dream City" in Elasona (Greece) October 19 – 31, International Mail-Art group exhibition "Dream City" in Larisa (Greece)

September 16 – October 07, Mail-Art exhibition "In the Course of the Water" in Argentan (France)

September – October, 1st Mail-Art group exhibition in Galeri Seni in Shah Alam (Malaysia) (HONORABLE AWARD)

August 4-6, 5th Sea Festival in Velika "The Sea in 100 Postcards" (Greece)

May 01 – October 15, International Mail-Art exhibition Nachtsonne (Night of Sun) in Kunstkammer im Schloss Bartenstein (Germany)

April – September, Print Exchange 4 group exhibitions in USA:

April, Old Inlet Printmakers Co-Op in Homer, Alaska. May, Basil Hallward Gallery in Portland, Oregon.

June, Sev Shoon Arts Centre in Seattle, Washington.

September, Rainbow Building Gallery in Gables, Florida.

April 27 – May 31, 5th International Mail-Art biennale "Air-luft-air" in Kunstverein Bad Salzdetfurth e.V. (Germany) Mail-Art group exhibition "The Earth" in Bodenburg (Germany)

March – May, Mail-Art group exhibition "Book-Art project" in Artetica's Gallery in Rome (Italy)

February 21 – July 31, International Mail-Art exhibition "Labyrinth" in Budapest (Hungary)

February 02 – 15, Group exhibition "Monotipijos" ŠU gallery in Siauliai (Lithuania)