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My name is Ilmars Sterns and I am studying MA Scenography in the Art Academy of Latvia, Audio-visual Media Arts Department, I am spending a lot of time trying out several lessons of Stage design; I have taken part of Artists Society *Sidegunde* and received a big appreciation from the academy teachers.

Paintings of the project "Looking through" are based on works of famous Latvian painters, like Andris Eglits (From series Living conditions, 2010), Raimonds Staprans (Untitled), Ieva Iltnere (Indiānis ar bērnu un japāņu līgavu Fei-Fei pie klaidoņu moteļa, 2015), Aleksejs Naumovs ("Kannas, Porte de la Galere", 2011), Vilhelms Purvītis (Ziemeļu nakts, 1900), Vija Celmins (Night Sky, 2005).

I chose "Hands' action 1" as main competitive artwork. In background you can see work of Latvian painter Andris Eglits from series "Living conditions" (2010) This painting is very popular Latvian landscapes. I added hands reactions to this view to show my fleeting emotions.

I am very passionate with my work when find a right clue. Mine characteristics of me are fervour, ardour, informality, amiability.

Great personalities as Samuel Beckett inspire me always. I look for creative ideas in various places even unrelated to my occupation such as geometry books or Leonardo da Vinci's sketches where I can find unrealized ideas and images of artworks and let imagination to be free. I think art can affect the lives of others and their freedom of thought but mainly it changes the artist.



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PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

2016-now

MA, Audio-Visual Art Department, stage designer Art Academy of Latvia, Latvia

2012-2014

BA, MA, Contemporary music, singing teacher

Riga Teacher Training and Educational Management Academy, Latvia

2005-2008

Additional knowledge in singing (popular and jazz) Secondary Riga High School No.100, Latvia

1998 - 2006

Basic music knowledge, cello as main instrument, Pavuls Jurjans' Music School, Latvia

WORK EXPERIENCE

Member

Artist society 'Sidegunde'. Riga, Latvia

Teacher of singing and performance

Latvian Society of the Blind, educational program 'Feelings that sound in Darkness'. Riga, Latvia

Teacher of contemporary singing

Riga Teacher Training and Educational Management Academy. Riga, Latvia

Teacher of singing and performance, stage designer Musical Theatre's program. Riga, Latvia

Teacher of contemporary singing and performance Musical Workshop Muzikaladarbnica.lv. Riga, Latvia

Teacher of contemporary singing

Ventspils College of Music. Ventspils, Latvia

AWARDS

2016 First place, Silver Gull. Liepupe, Latvia

2016 Certificate of Performance for charity for Ulubele animals. London, United Kingdom

2015 Award for master classes for students in Musical Workshop. Riga, Latvia

2015 Appreciation acknowledgment for leading teachers professional qualification development courses 'Performance Skills of Contemporary Music for Singers', Ventspils College of Music. Ventspils, Latvia

2014 Appreciation acknowledgment for an investment in teaching the new generation of jazz musicians in Latvia, Latvian National Center of Culture. Riga, Latvia

2014 Appreciation acknowledgment for an investment in teaching the new generation of jazz musicians in Latvia, Festival 'Saulkrasti Jazz'. Saulkrasti, Latvia

EXHIBITIONS

2017 'SEB Scholarship for Painting', Art Academy of Latvia, painting '**Hypothesis**', Riga, Latvia

2016 Photo exhibition 'Londoners', project '**Passing By**'. Jieyang (China), London (United Kingdom), Riga (Latvia), Barcelona (Spain)

2016 Photo exhibition '**Look at me**'. Riga, Latvia 2015 Painting exhibition '**Water**'. Riga, Latvia

MUSIC ALBUMS

2017 **Up the Hill**

2014 **Human Nature** in cooperation with Lauma Kazaka

2014 **365 Days** in cooperation with Voice of Instruments

2013 **Calendar Arias** in cooperation with Voice of Instruments 2013 **Sketch for a New Page**

2008 **Because You Around Me**

BOOKS

2016 Comics book '**Romeo and Juliet**' 2015 Poetry book '**Moon Batteries**'

FILMS & VIDEOS

2017 Actor of Kate Rasa Ozola film '**Vaikriti?**'

2017 Scenographer and producer of official video '**Too Late**' cooperating with Constantine Elijah

2016 Actor (Poet) of Monta Gagane film '**Meldra**'

2015 Scenographer and producer of video for Single '**Climb the Mountain**'

2015 Scenographer and producer of official video 'When the Sun is Down' 2015 Scenographer and producer of official video 'It Feels Like'

STAGE DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE

2016 Composer, director and stage designer of the acoustic concert Up the Hill. Latvia

2013 Composer, director and stage designer of the Sketch for a New Page with Gaudeamus Orchestra. Latvia

2013 Calendar Arias with Voice of Instruments. Latvia

2012 Musical 'Broadway' with 'The Quinters' and brass band 'Jurmala'. Latvia