

YOUNG PAINTER PRIZE 2021

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TRANSMUTATION series (3 paintings 70x70 cm, oil on canvas) 2021

Personal dieback

Dieback before regrow

Am I falling or am I flying?

This TRANSMUTATION series consisting of three interrelated botanical paintings speaks about inner courage to accept one's hardship as a blessing or chance to grow, instead of seeing it as a misery.

In nature old shoots have to be removed in order to stimulate healthy new growth with fresh foliage, blooms and fruits. The same applies to us - when previous order, relationships, habits do not bloom anymore, we have to make deliberate changes. This process may feel uncomfortable, to some even unbearable, but in fact - it is the best part.

“Personal dieback” - transformative inner process (psychotherapy maybe) which leads to your own core. A chance to meet yourself and take a good look at your own leaves - am I thriving?

“Dieback before regrow” - relationship with your closest person - do we make one another bloom or gloom? If being together feels like a fern trying to stay alive in the desert full sun, maybe it is time for relationship pruning?

“Am I falling or am I flying?” - changes led by external conditions, nothing to do with your will - what will your strategy be? Panic? Get angry? Ignore? Relax? Last year and a half has thrown us all in this fall-flight situation, the choice is ours - stubbornly hold on old, dried branches or take all the courage, make the cut and look for regrow.

## Education

2015-2017	Master's Degree studies in painting at Art Academy of Latvia
2011-2015	Bachelor's Degree studies in painting restoration at Art Academy of Latvia
2005-2011	Valka Gymnasium
1999-2005	Valka elementary school

## Additional education

2019-2020	Garden Design studies at Vidzeme University of applied sciences
2010	Studies at Reinis Liepa drawing and painting studio
2010	Summer video school at KIM?
2010	B category driving license
1999-2010	Valka Art school

## Work experience in the field of art

2015-2017	Art history basics teacher at Valka Art school
2016	Botanical watercolour teacher at private art studio "Idealist"
2015/2016	Art workshop lecturer for art teachers at art education center "Trīs krāsas" in Riga
2014/2015	Stendes Lutheran church altarpiece reconstruction
2014/2014	Restoration of 3 coats of arms, belonging to Latvian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2013	Valka museum restoration project "Paintings of Milda Bīrīte conservation and restoration"
2012	Restoration workshop in Gut Ludwigsburg, Germany about 18 <sup>th</sup> century monumental painting
2012	Restoration workshop in Aluksne museum

## Exhibitions, awards

2020	Solo exhibition at Valmiera museum "We all come from one tree"
2020	Participating in Tallinn Biennial exhibition at Freedom Square
2020	Jacksons Painting Prize- was shortlisted
2019	YPP finalists exhibition in Vilnius
2019	Valka district artist exhibition in Valka
2018	Participating in international contemporary art fair "Art Vilnius" as member of NOAR gallery for emerging artists
2017	Group exhibition at Art Academy of Latvia "Virsmas blīvums"
2017	Group exhibition "Hrestomātija" at Artist residency in Kuldīga
2017	Solo show at "Kitchen Hair Lab" Riga
2017	"SEB grand in painting" audience prize
2016	Vidzeme artist exhibition in Sigulda
2016	"SEB grand in painting" exhibition in Art Academy of Latvia

2015	Icon painting workshop exhibition in Cesis
2015	Vidzeme artist exhibition in Valmiera
2015	Valka district artist exhibition in Valka
2014	Exhibition "Draft" in Art Academy of Latvia
2012	Union "Art in Cesis" exhibition "With a pencil in the city" in Cesis
2012	Cesis district artist exhibition in Cesis
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2011	Valka district artist exhibition in Valka
2010	Solo show "Neuter" in Valka
2010	Title and grand "Latvian honor students" in arts and creative field