HANNA KOEPFLE

The thematic focus of my artistic practice gravitates toward economic and social landscapes rethinking them with narrative elements while simultaneously dismantling and reconstructing these concepts.

The canvas becomes a visual allegory, inviting viewers to interpret the abstract elements as facets of a dynamic, ever-shifting narrative.

My work talks about social structures, human relations, and politics, using the same approach of exploring and uncovering hidden meanings.

Finding poetry in the seemingly mundane or complex,

of the human body, and also how both of them would

whether it's the stock market or the intricacies

collide in our system.

Confusing The Map With The Landscape



oil on canvas

190 x 190cm



(Exhibitionview, Walther Haymann Stiftung Zurich) pictures: Sebastian Lendenmann)



If It Rains The Earth Get's Wet

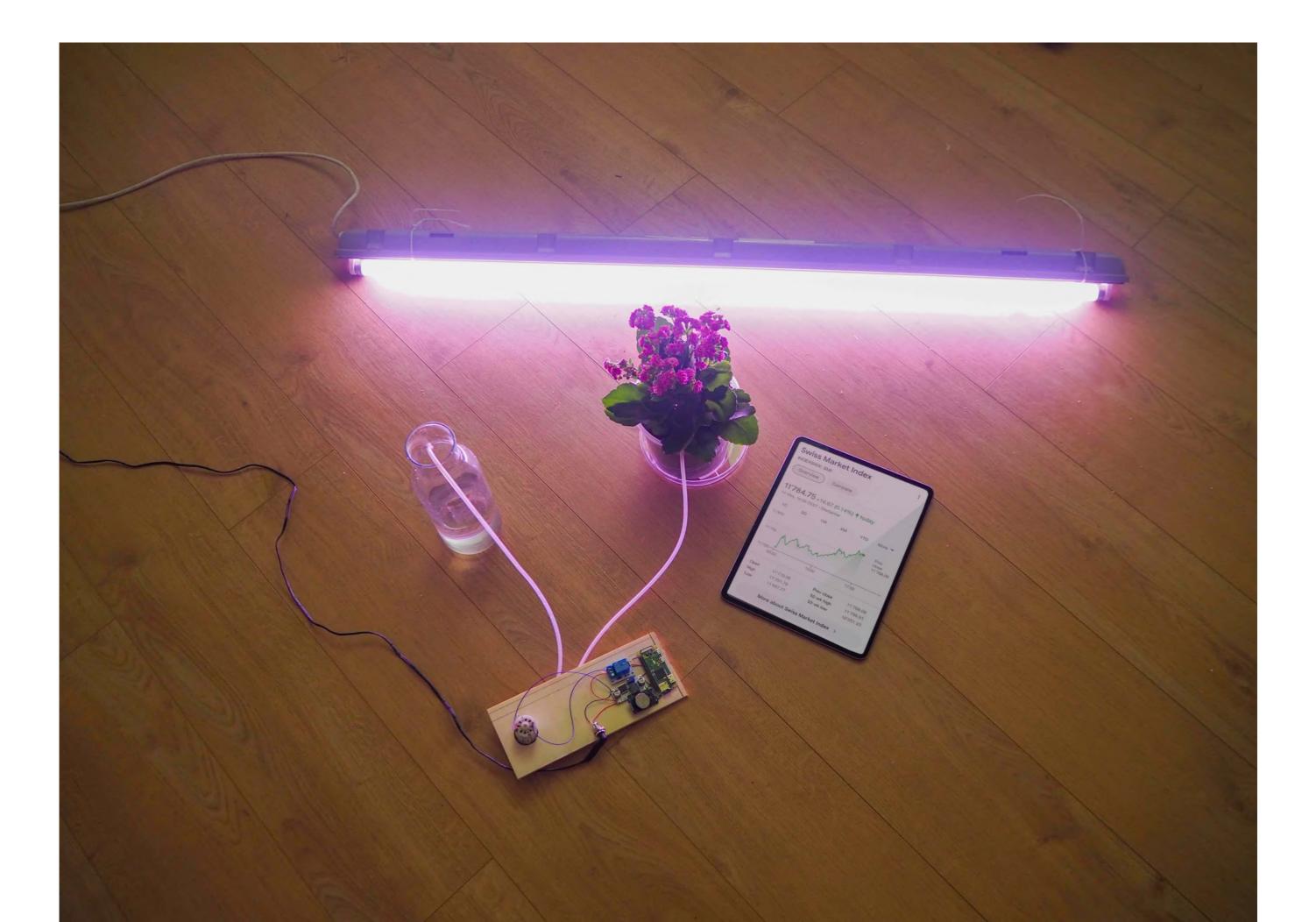
2024

installation flower in a pot, water glas, RasperryPi, dimensions variable The Swiss Market Index (SMI) is a stock index that reflects the performance of the largest and most liquid companies on the Swiss stock exchange (SIX Swiss Exchange).

The companies included in the SMI employ thousands of people. The working conditions in these companies can have a direct impact on the well-being of employees. Respect for labor rights, including adequate wages, safe working conditions, and job security, contributes to the protection of human rights.

The installation consists of an act of watering the roses, which is controlled in real-time from the current status of the Swiss Market Index (SMI). The irrigation system is programmed to water the roses according to the current SMI status, whereby this is converted into millimeters.

The higher the SMI is, the more water the roses receive, and vice versa.

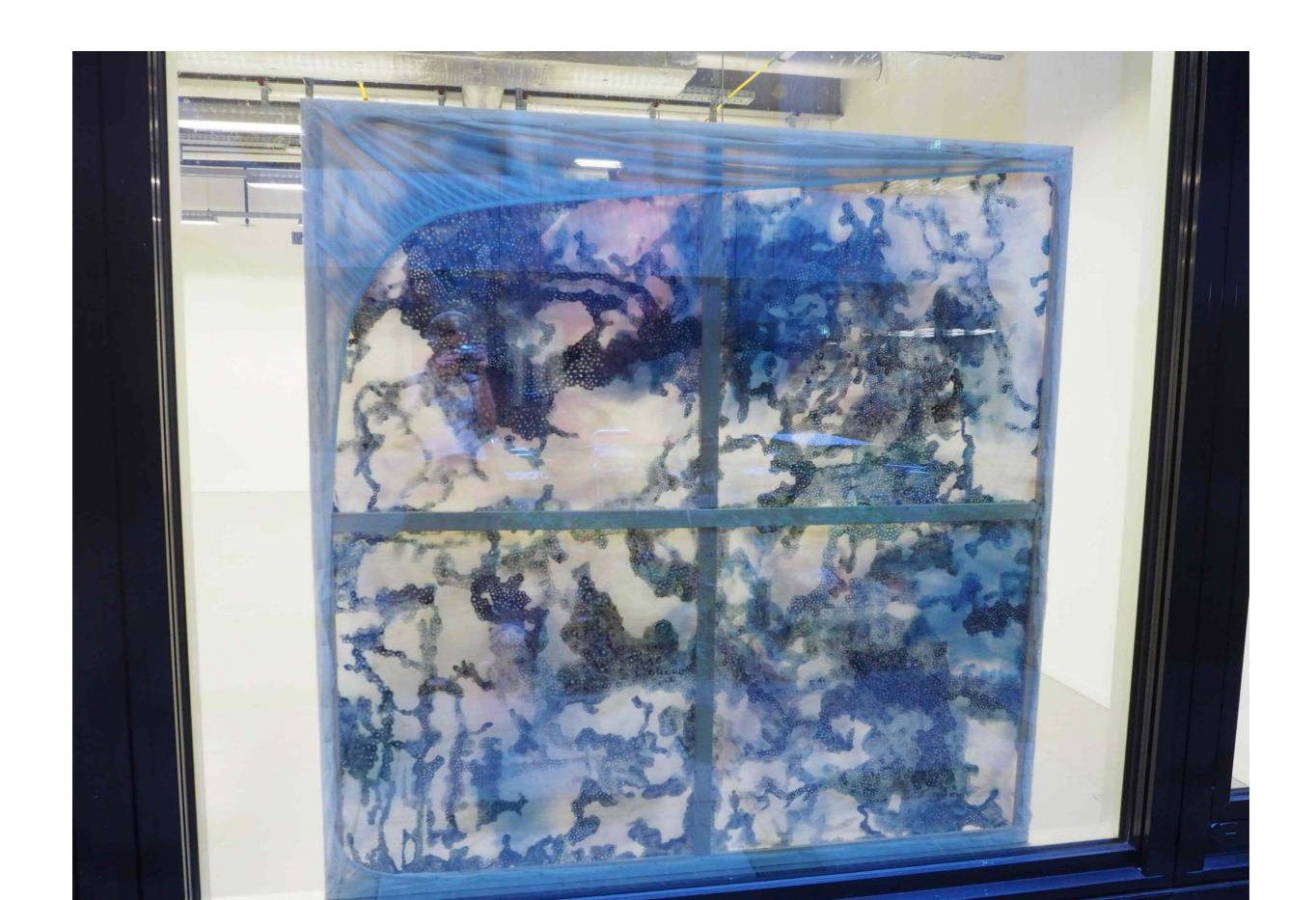


At First Came The Canines

2024 oil on bedsheets, 170 x 170 cm



(backside) First Came The Canines



We Don't Feed The Pigs Because They Want To Eat

2022

video-installation

6 Minutes

Recorded in the Black Forest

I'm wearing a suit in which I feed money to the pigs. In capitalist systems, trade and goods determine our lives. Eating and drinking are fundamental needs of all living beings and are still yet some of the biggest status symbols.

These basic goods are nearly in all cases only traded with money. In marketing science "the goods we need always have to be less than the ones we have" to provide a working market.

This is a satiric turnaround of our systems by feeding the pigs, which are usually held to make money, money.

video: https://youtu.be/UDjppcl72E0



Now I Have Time 3

2024 oil on canvas, 90 x 75 cm



Utopia And Dystopia

2023

exhibited at

Daumenlutscher Gallery Berlin

(picture: Oliver Kümmerli)

A Bubble Machine is projecting bubbles consisting Hannas blood on a wall.

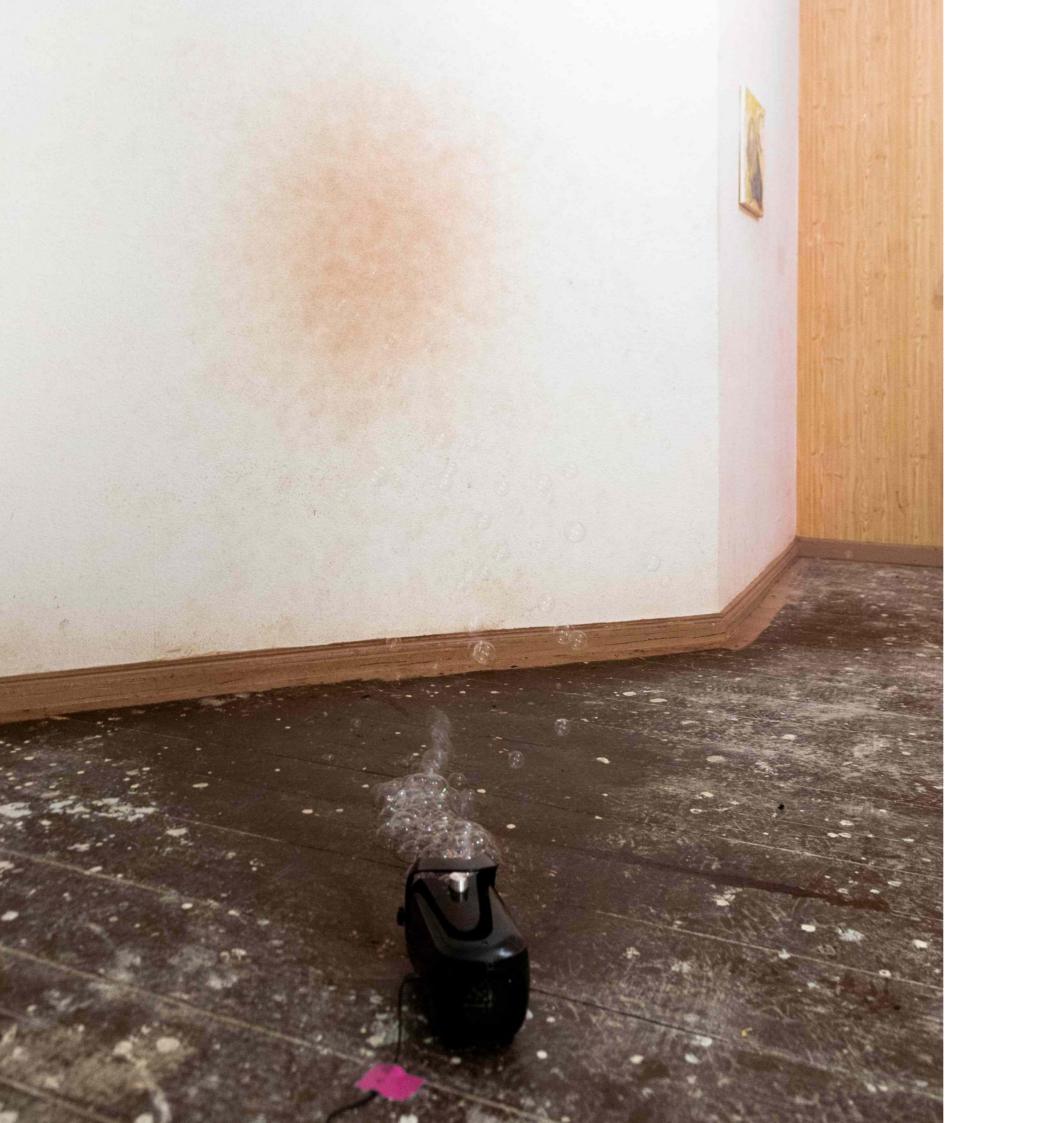
Through the Ventilator (Movement) in the Machine the Bubbles are born, they touch the Wall, and some break and paint the Wall with Blood.

Blood contains Iron and Protein which stabilizes the Bubbles for up to 20 Minutes and builds a moving Sculpture out of dark red Bubbles and Foam on the Floor. As long as the machine is running new Bubbles follow, old ones break and the Sculpture is rechanging its Bubbles like Cells in an Organism.

There is Utopia in creating a Painting on the Wall, in the Bubbles itself like bringing something to life, creating something being able to see and feel the growth.

Then on the other side the Dystopia, the overgrowing on the Floor, leaving bloody Liquid and getting destroyed in and after the Cycle.

video: https://youtu.be/6Gj8B7MDhrl







Now I Have Time 2

2023
oil on canvas
120 x 100 cm

While The Flowers Stand Still

2023 oil on tablecloth, 90x55 cm



HeAven



oil on canvas

90 x 150 cm

(picture: Oliver Kümmerli)



My Blood, So Calm



Lava Lamp, wax, Hannas pulverized blood, ethanol

70 x 5 cm



Hanna is an artist who lives and works in Zurich.

Education

Zurich Academy of Arts MA Master of Arts 09/2021 - now

Zurich Academy of Arts BA guest student 02/2021 - 06/2021

State Academy of Art and Design Stuttgart Class of Rainer Ganahl and Thomas Bechinger 10/2018 - 01/2020

Selected Group Exhibitions

2024 The Mutual Society OnCurating, Zurich

2024 OnSide Walther Haymann Stiftung, Zurich

2024 Duo Show Nicolae Zamsa and Hanna Koepfle Toni Areal, Zurich

2024 Makro Kunstverein, Böblingen

2023 Pavillionesque Material, Zurich

2022 Rausch Zentralwäscherei Zürich

2022 Draussen Ist Es Kälter Als Nachts Daumenlutscher Galerie, Berlin2022

2022 Impeachments
Galerie Eliza Faulhammer, Innsbruck

2022 I Never Dreamed Of You Galerie Leipziger Straße, Berlin

2022 Off Favoriten, Wien

2021 Ablegen Chloroplast, Stuttgar

2020 Try / Dry Heusteig Theater, Stuttgart

Residency

2021 Holly Mountain Kunstverein Barac, Mannheim