

ARTIST STATEMENT

Growing up in the carefree countryside south of Rome, almost untouched by tourism and the wider world, I was drawn to faraway places. As a child of the 90s and early 2000s,

I grew up with every conceivable social media platform and internet.

I used all these sources to explore what is out there before I could leave home.

What I discover is an absurd scenario...a world like the one promised to us in countless posts and advertisements. Arriving at the place of promise, we are disappointed by the harsh reality, that what once was is no more. Or at least only feels like a pale imitation.

I share my stories and observations in diverse forms: photographies and sculptures.

Of all, photos I take in the crowded venues involve metacognitive reflections, showing both myself to the tourists, and what tourists cause in those places, as well as what those places cause to tourists.

I focus on the chasm between reality and tourism, labour and leisure and how tourism capitalises on and extracts from these places, ultimately transforming them into "wonderful" attractions.

Is it really convenient or is it just the lack of self respect?
Is it really good or is it just the power of the crowd?
Does fake grass makes the home prettier?
I wanted to stay, but then I left.

I am now quite exhausted and you feel on top of the world but we both know the truth...

You boast your ego loudly, while I hide my camera in

silence.

Excerpt from my travel diary, 2023

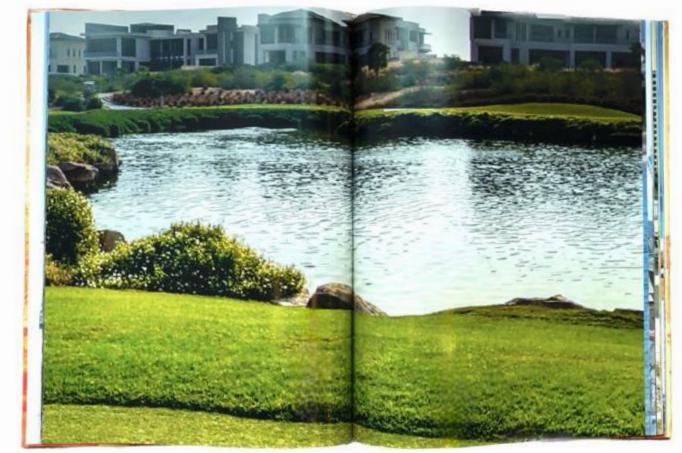


Bling Bling Dubai, 2024
photo book, 76 pages, glossy paper
A3 size
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hcX4PRfFZuY













My Kelly is better than yours, 2024 plastic foil, airline tags, bag, faux leather 32 x 23 cm





My Kelly is better than yours, 2024 details



Aqua Santa, 2024 plastic canister, glass bottles, found materials 39 x 26 x 18 cm





Aqua Santa, 2024 details



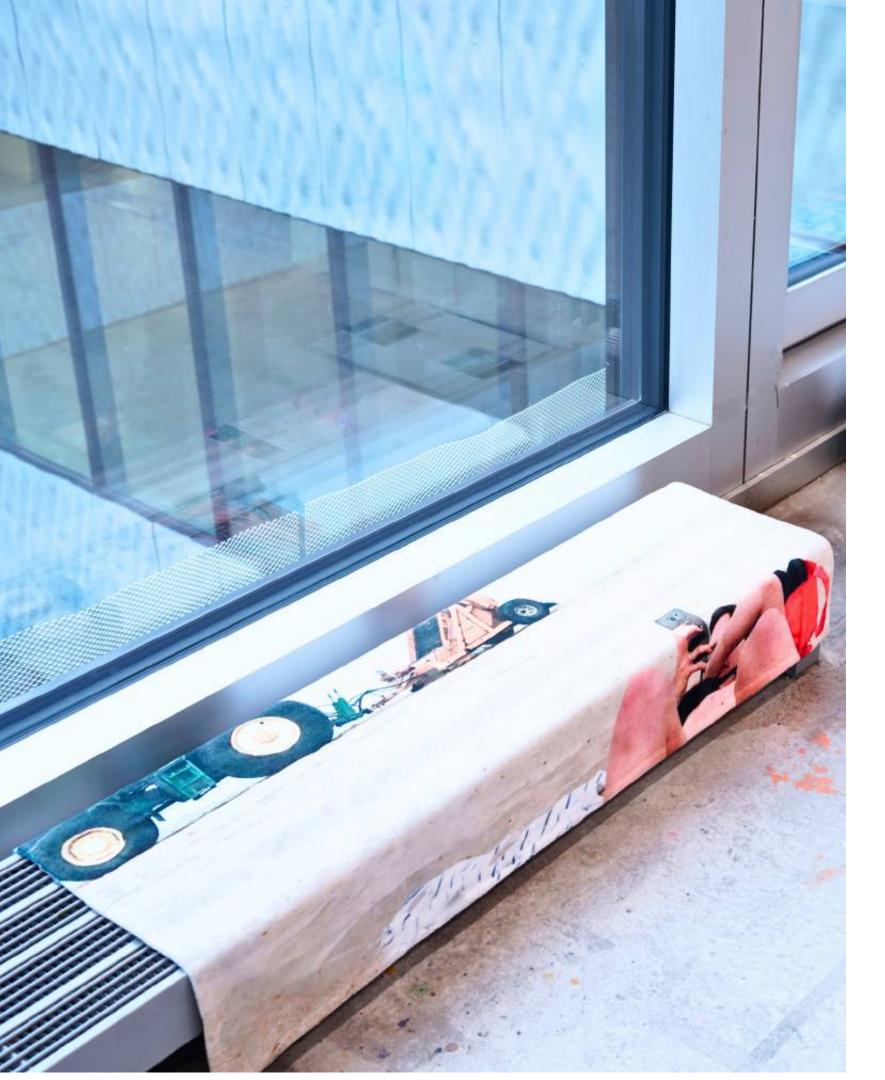






You hear'em before you see'em, 2023 details

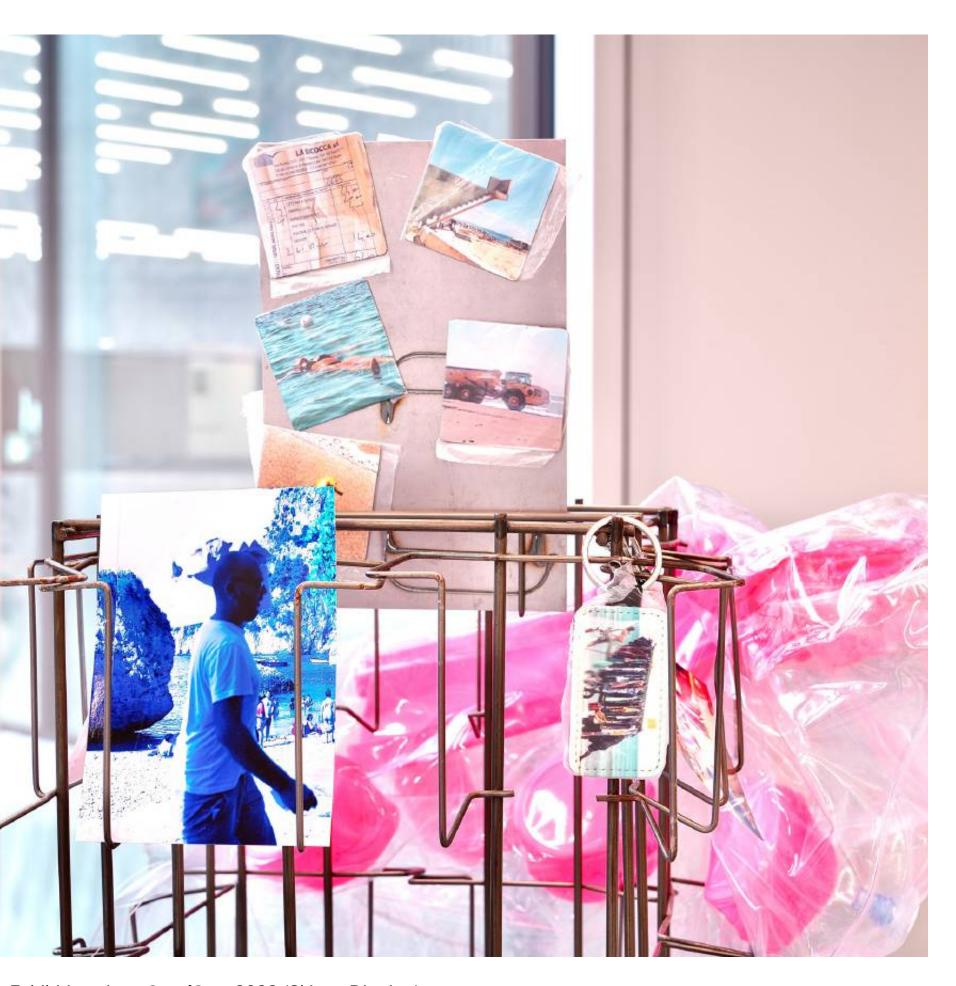






Exhibition view: **CapriSun,** 2023 (Skinny Dipping) details

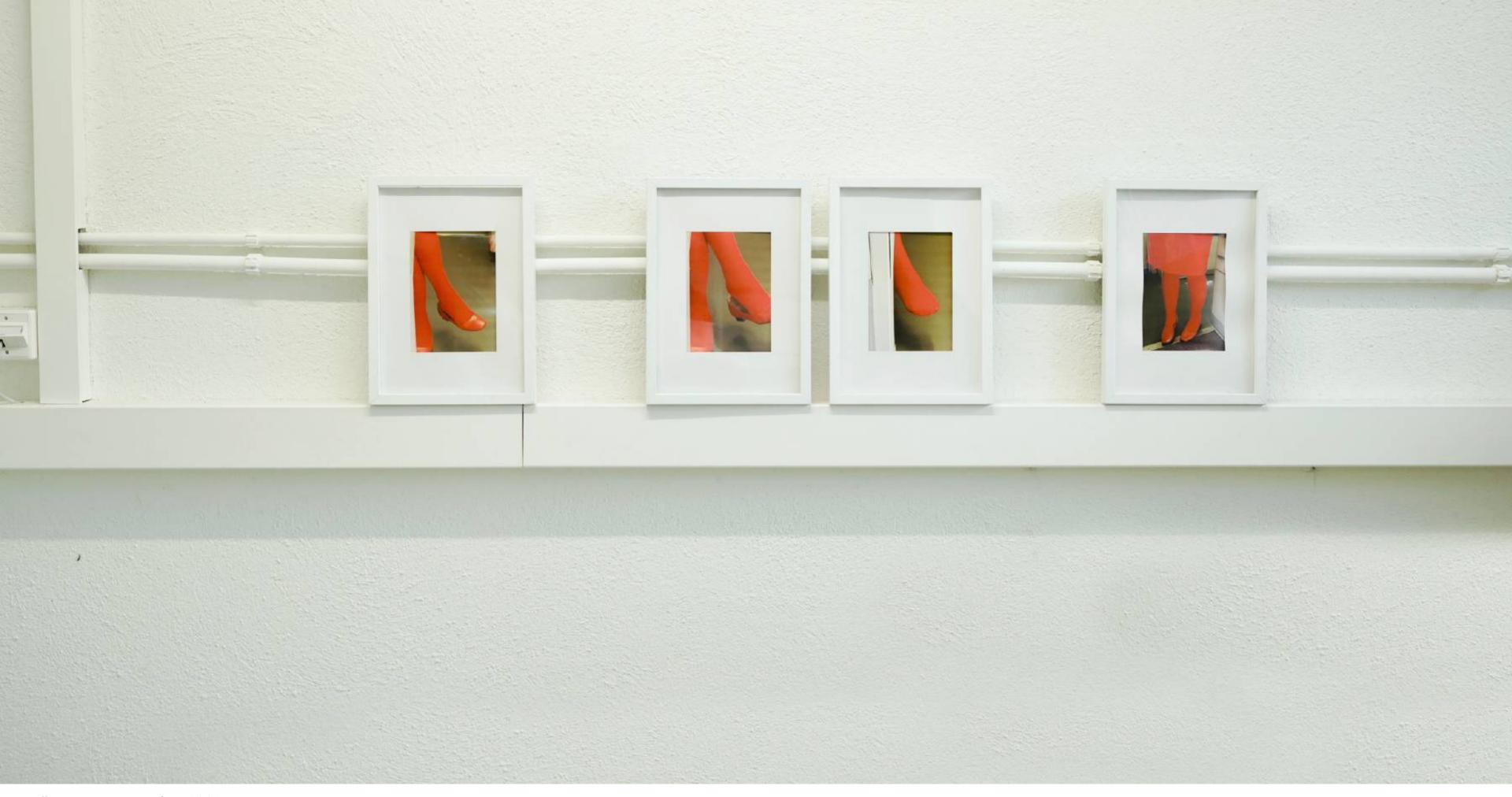
Vendors by the beach meet travellers, juxtaposition of hard labour and mass tourism. The sweat-drenched brows and weary smiles conceal stories of struggle, as bargains are made and dreams are weighed against the cost of survival.





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Installation view: **Austrian**, 2023 digital photographs, glossy paper, wooden frames 21 x 29.7 cm





Installation view: **Austrian**, 2023 details

Gazing wistfully at the horizon, she carries the weight of unfulfilled aspirations.



Exibition view: **Untitled**, 2022 (Kreis 5) digital photograph print under plexi glass, metal screws

30 x 90 cm

photo credit: Paolo Wirz







Installation view: Jacki, why are you shy?, 2022 digital print on matte paper 230 x 215 cm





Installation view: **Jacki, why are you shy?,** 2022 details



Installation view: **FEMMINIELLO**, 2021 black velvet trousers, foam variable sizes



Installation view: Femminiello*: real men do not cross the legs!!, 2021 details

"Thoughts fight thoughts, through the alleys I walk...SOBBING".

*In Naples this term is known for centuries referring to a person who is assigned male but adopts a feminine gender expression.

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EDUCATION

2021 - 2024 Bachelor of fine arts, ZHDK, Zurich, CH 2016 - 2018 El Camino college, Torrance, USA

GROUP SHOWS

2023	Skinny Dipping, Zürcher Hochschule der Künste, Zurich, CH
2022	Kreis 5, Zürcher Hochschule der Künste, Zurich, CH
2021	Playground Warrior, Zürcher Hochschule der Künste, CH

BOOK PRESENTATION

2024 Bling Bling Dubai, Bellaria, Zurich, CH

PHOTOGRAPHY

2022 Photo shooting for 33 MAGAZINE, Zurich, CH