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Pavla Malinová

(b. 1985; Vsetín, Czechia)
Lives and works in Prague, Czechia

Pavla Malinová (b. 1985) is among the most compelling voices in contemporary Central European painting, distinguished by a visual language that fluidly negotiates the boundaries between figuration and abstraction.

Her practice synthesizes intuition and formal structure while drawing on mythological motifs to construct imagery that is at once symbolically charged and psychologically resonant. Characterized by saturated color palettes, stratified spatial arrangements, and emblematic forms, her paintings generate atmospheres that hover between the spiritual and the corporeal, the lyrical and the elemental. Central to Malinová's work is an exploration of uncertainty as a generative condition, an open and indeterminate space through which emotion, symbolism, and imagination converge, inviting viewers into shifting perceptual and interpretive states.

This commitment to cultivating ambiguity and speculative space has also guided the trajectory of her international practice. A finalist for the Jindřich Chalupecký Award in 2019, Malinová has presented her work in numerous significant contexts, including Frieze London (2022), Art Brussels (2020), and the Czech Center New York (2025), reflecting a steadily expanding engagement with global contemporary painting.

EDUCATION:

Fakulty of Fine Art, Ostava, Czechia
Master of Fine Arts in Painting (MgA. František Kowolowski)

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

2023
Cuckoos, DSC Gallery, Prague, Czechia

2021
Tvář s lehkým záchvěvem trápení, NoD Gallery, Prague, Czechia
Face with a Touch of Ruffledness, White & Weiss Gallery, Bratislava, Slovakia

2020
Hollow Hug, Lítost Gallery, Prague, Czechia

2018
Pindousmrsk, Antonín Dvořák Theatre, Ostrava, Czechia
They talk about me, my silence corresponds to it, Berlínskej Model, Prague, Czechia

2017
Keyhole, *Labyrinth of the sou*l, Galeria Szara, Katowice, Poland
Bullying eyes, the wheel is turning, Galerie NoD, Prague, Czechia

2016
Hedges, Moon in the daytime, České Budějovice, Czechia
You spin in a circle of plowmen, a Zen garden undivided, Galerie Tvar, Brno, Czechia

2015
Duchnovina, Galerie Města Třince, Třinec, Czechia
Esoteric hollow-worldliness, Nevan Contempo, Prague, Czechia
Head Limbs, Galerie Sýpka, Valašské Meziříčí, Czechia

2014
I will not get lost at sea, I will turn tears into joy, Galeri Kabinet, Brno, Czechia

2013
Gipsy, galerie Ferdinanda Baumanna, Prague, Czechia
Panáček počmáraný, Galerie Entrance, Prague, Czechia

2012
Your grandma does old things, Berlínskej Model, Prague, Czechia
Vírar, City surfer office, Prague, Czechia

2011
Jedna z jistot, krásná bytost, Galerie Art, Brno, Czechia
Člobrdíček, galerie Půda, Jihlava, Czechia
Alone romantik, alou dom, Galerie Dole, Ostrava, Czechia

2010
Moc to neřeš, moc do toho řežeš, Galerie Enter, Bratislava, Slovakia

Odpocítávám na odpočívadle, Galerie 36, Olomouc, Czechia

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

2026
Artissima (art fair), with Jakub Jansa, represented by KodlContemporary, Turin, Italy

2025
Gridfall, with Jakub Jansa, Laichter House, KodlContemporary, Prague, Czechia

2024
Repeated Survey: Ostrava, Galerie hlavního města Prahy (GHMP), Prague, Czechia
Turn On the Lights, with Silvia Krivošíková and Laura Limbourg, COMMA Gallery, Bratislava, Slovakia

2021
Alien Pollinators (art fair), with Anna Hulačová, Frieze No. 9 Cork Street, London, United Kingdom

2020
Prorůstání, with Anna Hulačová, Liberec Regional Art Gallery, Liberec, Czechia

2019
Jindřich Chalupecký Award Exhibition, Moravian Gallery, Brno, Czechia
ArtVerona (art fair), with Valentýna Janů and Radek Brousil, represented by Lítost Gallery, Verona, Italy

2018
Orient, Bunkier Sztuki, Krakow, Poland
Orient, Bozar, Brusel, Belgium
Orient, Kim?, Riga, Latvia

2017
Letní výtvarný salon, Galerie KODL, Prague, Czechia
Hledání hranic, Galerie PRFR, Bratislava, Slovakia
Krajina 2017, Nová Galerie, Prague, Czechia
Dočasný depozitář – kresba: případová studie 2, Galerie Plato, Ostrava, Czechia

2016
Intermarium, Galerie Futura, Prague, Czechia

2015
Jen obloukem pokřivenou pohádku napravíš, Nová Galerie, Prague, Czechia
Smaltart, dolní oblast Vítkovic, Ostrava, Czechia

2014
Urban Pangea People, Karlin Studios, Prague, Czechia
Pražská umělecká scéna, NoD Mini, Prague, Czechia

2013
Jak tenkrát, Café v lese, Prague, Czechia
Trienále Valmez 2013, Galerie Sýpka, Valašské Meziříčí, Czechia
Plastikové Vánoce, Kwadrat, Berlin, Germany
Plastikové Vánoce, Berlínský Model, Prague, Czechia

2012
VI. Zlínský salon mladých 2012, Krajská Galerie, Zlín, Czechia
Tune the Eye, Galerie Trafačka, Prague, Czechia
Kolektivní tělo, Galerie Entrance, Prague, Czechia

2011
Kromě Alenky-říše za zrcadlem, divadlo Reduta, Brno, Czechia
Ostrava now!, Galerie výtvarného umění v Chebu, Cheb, Czechia
Pavěda, NTK, Prague, Czechia
Artyčok art fair, Divus, Prague, Czechia
4+4 dny v pohybu, ÚLUV, Prague, Czechia
Kromě Alenky-říše za zrcadlem, Galerie Orlovna, Kroměříž, Czechia
Next targets, The Chemistry gallery, Prague, Czechia
Cena kritiky za mladou malbu, Galerie Kritiků, Prague, Czechia
Prague Biennale 5, Microna, Prague, Czechia

2010
edice 5, galerie Sýpka, Valašské Meziříčí, Czechia
Festival Invaze, Trafačka, Prague, Czechia
Gift, Karlín studios, Prague, Czechia
Zvuk buk puk suk, galerie Cella, Opava, Czechia
PHA X OVA, galerie Aula, Brno, Czechia
Master quest, galerie Dvanáctka, Zlín, Czechia
Next wave, Dům pánů z Kunštátu, Brno, Czechia

2009
Tento vlak zastavuje ve stanici fuck, Stanica, Žilina, Slovakia

2008
Purple brain, galeria Szara, polský Těšín, Poland
Future artists, galerie Aula, Brno, Czechia

2007
Partyum, Dům umění v Opavě , Opava, Czechia
Skáče jak píská, galerie NoD, Prague, Czechia
Finalisté Ceny NG 333 a Skupiny Čez, Veletržní palác, Prague, Czechia
Ropovod 01, galerie Emila Filly, Ústí nad Labem, Czechia

2006
Artesariat, budynek bylej milicji, Polský Těšín, Poland
Prodloužení, galerie Strážná věž, Ostrava, Czechia
Górki Mariackie, galeria Szara, polský Těšín, Poland
Domino Diner aneb Baník-Sparta 5:1, Galerie AVU, Prague, Czechia

AWARDS:

2019
Finalist of the Jindřich Chalupecký Award and Winner of the Czech Center Audience Award 2019, Moravian Gallery in Brno, Czechia

2013
Winner of the Rudolf Schlattauer Award, Galerie Sýpka, Valašské Meziříčí, Czechia

COLLECTIONS:

Havrlant Art Collection, Prague, Czechia
Eva a Petr Zemanovi Collection, Czechia
Fait gallery collection, Brno, Czechia
Robert Runták Collection, Czechia