

rolf sachs

Biography

Artist Rolf Sachs is recognised for his distinctive, conceptual approach, which he applies across a multitude of disciplines, ranging from photography, furniture, lighting, sculpture, installations, through to architectural projects and set design for opera and ballet. Sachs creates work that draws upon the subconscious and aims to gain access to the collective memory. The common thread that runs through his multi-disciplinary work is his passion for experimentation and invention, which drives him to challenge the applications of materials, processes and everyday objects. By removing them from their normal context, he redefines their substance and their function, injecting them with character and creating powerful, emotional connections.

Rolf Sachs was born in Switzerland in 1955. After studying in the US and the UK in the late 80's, Sachs moved to London in 1994 to focus on his artistic career. Here, he set up a studio and has since been featured in numerous collaborations and exhibitions. His work has been showcased internationally in art galleries and museums, including the Victoria and Albert Museum and the Museum for Applied Art, Köln.

Curriculum Vitae

Solo Exhibitions

February 2016	New and Iconic works, Hauser & Wirth , Gstaad
January 2016	Camera in Motion, Leica Camera AG , Wetzlar
December 2015	Camera in Motion, CT Gallery , Megeve
August 2015	Camera in Motion, Leica Gallerie Salzburg
February 2015	Camera in Motion, Galerie Andrea Caratsch , St.Moritz
April 2014	Camera in Motion, Selected Works Ammann Gallery , Cologne
January 2014	typisch deutsch? Museum für Angewandte Kunst , Cologne
August 2013	Camera in motion, Galerie von Bartha, St. Moritz
August 2012	Herzschuss, Galerie von Bartha , S-chanf
April 2012	in-pulse, Studio Visconti , Milan
April 2010	flawless / imperfection, Studio Visconti , Milan
April 2008	Take 2, Phillips de Pury , London
Septembre 2007	etc...etc..., Designers Gallery , Cologne
April 2007	Delicatessen, Gallery Project B , Milan
October 2006	Wild & Real, Phillips de Pury New York
October 2004	duality 2, Louisa Guinness Gallery , London
April 2004	duality, Galleria Mauro Brucoli , Milan
May 2001	p-arts + fun c'tion, Galerie Blau , Freiburg
March 1999	Monika Sprüth Galerie , Cologne
October 1997	Faggionato Fine Arts , London
June 1997	Galerie Monika Reitz , Frankfurt
April 1997	Galerie Tanit , Munich
January 1997	der r echte winkel, Galerie Monika Sprüth , Cologne
January 1996	p-arts + fun c'tion, Galerie Monika Sprüth , Cologne
April 1996	Galeria Internos , Milan
August 1995	Pur Pur , Designhorizonte Frankfurt
April 1995	Galleria Internos , Milan
January 1995	Monika Sprüth Galerie , Cologne
December 1994	Collection Gallery , London
October 1994	Mobilia , Nuremberg
April 1994	Galleria Internos , Milan
January 1994	Galerie Monika Sprüth , Cologne
September 1990	Werkhaus , Fuschl am See, Austria
May 1990	Kulturring Sundern , Sundern
April 1990	Wunderhaus , Munich

Group Exhibitions

October 2016	PAD London , ammann //gallery
March 2016	PAD Paris , ammann // gallery
November 2015	'Lightopia' Design Museum Gent , Gent
October 2015	PAD London , ammann // gallery
June 2015	Design Miami / Basel , ammann // gallery

May 2015	Paris Photo Los Angeles , ammann // gallery
October 2014	PAD London , ammann // gallery
June 2014	Design Miami / Basel , ammann // gallery
November 2013	'Lightopia' Vitra Design Museum , Basel
October 2013	PAD London , gabrielle ammann
February 2013	Neu/Vertraut , happen projects, St. Moritz
September 2012	The Journey of a Drop, Victoria & Albert Museum , London
December 2012	Design Miami , gabrielle ammann // gallery & Priveekollektie
October 2012	PAD London , gabrielle ammann // gallery & Priveekollektie
June 2012	Design Miami/Basel , gabrielle ammann // gallery, Priveekollektie
April 2012	Tutti Designers , gabrielle ammann // gallery
	Spazio Rossana Orlandi
March 2012	PAD Paris , Secondome & Priveekollektie
February 2012	VIP Art Fair , Leila Heller Gallery
December 2011	Art Miami , Priveekollektie
November 2011	PAD New York , Priveekollektie & Secondome
	Abu Dhabi Art Fair , Leila Heller Gallery
October 2011	PAD London , gabrielle ammann // gallery
June 2011	Design Miami/Basel , gabrielle ammann // gallery, Priveekollektie
April 2011	Art Cologne , gabrielle ammann // gallery
October 2010	PAD London , gabrielle ammann // gallery
June 2010	Design Miami / Basel , gabrielle ammann // gallery
June 2009	Design Miami Basel , gabrielle ammann // gallery
March 2009	European Design since 1985: Shaping the New Century' Indianapolis Museum of Art, USA
February 2009	Prototypes & Experiments' Aram gallery, London
June 2007	Design Miami/Basel , Designers Gallery, Cologne
March 2004	Minimal, Louisa Guinness Gallery , London
March 1995	Neues Museum Weserburg , Bremen
October 1994	Abitare Il Tempo , Verona, Italy
	Intérieur , Minimal Design, Kortrijk, Belgium
August 1994	Felt Filz , Frankfurt
	Art to Use , Frankfurt
October 1993	Wunderhaus , Munich
July 1993	Art to Use , Frankfurt
October 1992	Wunderhaus , Munich
December 1991	Neotu , Paris
October 1991	Wunderhaus , Munich
February 1991	Magdeburger Museen , Kloster unserer lieben Frauen
December 1990	Möbel Perdu , Hamburg Galerie 54, Munich
November 1990	Design Galerie , Berlin
October 1990	Art to Use , Frankfurt
July 1990	Galerie 54 , Munich

Commissions / Projects

March 2017	Fortis Watches , '2.4ml' artist edition watch design
October 2016	Leica Camera AG , 'grip', Leica M-P special edition camera

March 2016	The Dolder Grand Hotel , 'Saltz' Art interior for Restaurant, Zürich
January 2014	'Wireless Energy' window design, Selfridges , London
February 2014	Fortis Watches , "2π" art edition watch design
December 2012	De Beers Diamond Jewellers , 'Breathing Light' concept for global Christmas window design
September 2012	LINLEY Collaborations , limited edition furniture collection, London
August 2011	Fortis Watches . 'Frisson' art edition watch design
April 2010	smart fortwo 'sprinkle' custom design concept, Milan
March 2010	smart , Autosalon Geneva
Winter 2009/2010	Krug , limited edition sled celebrating 125 years of the Cresta, St. Moritz
March 2009	Les Ballets de Monte Carlo 'Norma' ballet set design
December 2008	Olympiastadium private residence renovation & interior design, St. Moritz
November 2008	Fortis Watches . 'IQ' art edition watch design
December 2007	Private club extension & restaurant design, St. Moritz
December 2007	Les Ballets de Monte Carlo 'Faust' ballet set design, Monaco
March 2007	Hessisches Staatstheater Wiesbaden 'Faust' opera set design, Germany
March 2007	Selfridges Surrealist Window display, London
April 2006	Les Ballets de Monte Carlo 'Altro Canto set design, Monaco
2005	' The Wild Emperor ' photographic project, Maryam & Rolf Sachs

Publications

2016	Camera in Motion: From Chur to Tirano, Rolf Sachs, Kehrer Verlag
2014	'For Your Eyes Only' A Private Collection, from Mannerism to Surrealism ed. by Andreas Beyer & Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Peggy Guggenheim Collection , Venice
	'typisch deutsch?' Petra Hesse, Museum für Angewandte Kunst Köln, Distanz Verlag
2010	'Why, What, How. Collection Design in a Contemporary Market', Libby Sellers, HSBC Private Bank , 2010
2009	'Limited Edition' Sophie Lovell, Birkhaeuser Verlag
	'European Design Since 1985: Shaping the New Century' R.Craig Miller & Penny Sparke, Merrell Publication
2008	'Limited Editions Design Art' Stichting Kunstboek
	'Forms with a Smile'

Moniek Bucquoye & Dieter van den Storm,
Stichting Kunstboek

2005

'1000 Lights 1960 to present'
Charlotte and Peter Fiell, Taschen

'The Wild Emperor'
Rolf and Maryam Sachs, **te Neues publications**

2000

'The International Design Yearbook 2000'
Ingo Maurer, **Laurence King Publishers**

1999

'The International Design Yearbook 1999'
Jasper Morrison, **Laurence King Publishers**

1998

'Conscious, simple: The Emergence of an Alternative' Product
Culture, Volker Albus, **ifa**

1997

'1000 Chairs'
Charlotte & Peter Fiell, **Taschen**, 1997

1996

'The International Design Year Book 1996'
Alessandro Mendini, **Laurence King Publishers**

1995

'The International Design Year Book 1995'
Jean Nouvel, **Laurence King Publishers**