

# PAUL RIEDMÜLLER



His work is shaped by the tension between the real and the virtual world. Philosopher Jean Baudrillard writes in *Simulacra and Simulation* that today's reality is increasingly overlaid with simulations. The distinction between what is real and what is simulated becomes blurred. In his artistic process, a question arises: How can this shift be made visible? He seeks to maintain a connection to the "real world," and yet constantly questions what is real. Nature, city streets, and the details of everyday surroundings become his anchor. It is the focus on the small, the banal, that brings him back to reality.

These observations flow into his painting, which reflects both digital aesthetics and a fascination with the overwhelming flood of images. Trompe-l'oeil techniques, which dissolve the boundaries between reality and illusion, play a central role. This approach recalls Baroque painting, where illusion was not only a demonstration of technical skill but also a metaphor for the transience of life. However, his work does not follow the memento mori tradition; instead, it explores the positioning of perception in a world where deceptions like CGI and deepfakes have become part of everyday life.

## Selected Solo & Duo Shows

2026	“Guided Hands”, solo show with Max Freund, Horizont Gallery, Budapest, Hungary
2025	“Giftige Finger”, Studio GROSS, Tokyo, Japan
2025	“June”, Posta Space, Sofia, Bulgaria
2025	“As You Wish”, Punta Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria
2025	Moosey Art, Norwich, UK
2025	“Green Lemons”, LA BIBI Gallery, Palma, Spain
2024	“Blender”, Horizont Gallery, Budapest, Hungary
2024	“Gallery Statement”, Horizont Gallery, Vienna, Austria
2024	Herminengasse 1, curated by Vera Steinkellner, Vienna, Austria
2023	“KOENIG2”, curated by Robby Greif, Christine König, Vienna, Austria
2023	“Kreative Freizeit”, SINK, Vienna, Austria
2022	Boutique Romana, Vienna, Austria
2019	“Double Trouble”, Ag18, Vienna, Austria
2018	“Doppelpunktammerzu”, Schlumberger Art Floor, Vienna, Austria
2017	“Perk uploading...”, Improper Walls, Vienna, Austria

## Selected Group Exhibitions

2024	“Paper View 2”, The Hole, New York, US
2024	“Tone Poem”, The Hole, Los Angeles, US
2024	“Unified Contrasts”, Colab Gallery, Weil am Rhein, Germany
2023	“Untitled Void”, Seoul, South Korea
2024	“Rendezvous”, Good Mother Gallery, Los Angeles, US
2024	“Gallery Statement”, Horizont Gallery, Parallel, Viena, Austria
2024	“Winter Wonderland”, Akademie Galerie, Munich, Germany
2024	“TONE POEM”, The Hole, Los Angeles, US
2024	“Candy Shop by Anna Paul”, ACRE Studios, Berlin, Germany
2024	“Good Behaviour”, Fravil, Tapetenwerk, Leipzig, Germany

2024	“SUGAR WHIP AND BREAD”, FIG Festival, Sofia , Bulgaria
2023	“BC I WAS THE ALIEN SUIT”, okay space, Athens, Greece
2023	“Design Week”, Bijeljinale, Vienna, Austria
2023	“DING”, Design in Gesellschaft, Design Week, Vienna, Austria
2023	“Parallel Vienna”, Intervention, Vienna, Austria
2023	“Through The Fence”, Albert Contemporary, Odense, Denmark
2023	“Public Mural”, Stadt Wand Kunst, Mannheim, Germany
2023	Bijeljinale, Bosnia and Herzegovina
2023	“Kreineckers and Friends”, Stiege 13, Vienna, Austria
2023	“GLANZ UN GLORIE”, AA Collections, Vienna, Austria
2023	“THE REAL WEIRD MAGIC PICTURE SHOW”, WeißesHaus, Vienna, Austria
2022	“TRONIES”, Christine König Galerie, Vienna, Austria
2021	Group Show, Off Image, Mauve, Vienna, Austria
2018	“Living Studio”, Museumsquartier Q21, Vienna, Austria
2019	“Part of the Pink Playground”, Manner, curated by Vera Steinkellner, Vienna, Austria
2018	Part of “Art Book in China” together with soyboy, Shanghai, China
2016	“Pastoe”, Utrecht, Netherlands
2016	“Bundesministerium WFW”, Stubenring 1, Vienna, Austria

## Residency

2025	LA BIBI Residency. Mallorca (ES)
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## Fairs

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2026	Art Düsseldorf, Düsseldorf, Germany / with LA BIBI Gallery
2026	Palm Beach Modern, Florida, US / with sobering
2026	Felix Art Fair, Los Angeles, US / with sobering
2025	CAN ART, Ibiza, Spain / with LA BIBI + REUS
2025	Seattle Art Fair, Seattle, US / with sobering
2025	San Francisco Art Fair, San Francisco, US / with sobering
2025	ART ROTTERDAM, Rotterdam, Germany / with LA BIBI + REUS
2025	UVNT, Madrid, Spain / with LA BIBI + REUS

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