

mladen stropnik

the mind is a coward

i love the moment just like that

this is where awareness is at home

the essence is in care and awareness

everything serves as a bridge to the formless



"shadow", 2025
personalized action object, various sizes



"park in basket", 2025 (exhibition view)
performance, 3+ hours duration



"stab the meat", 2024

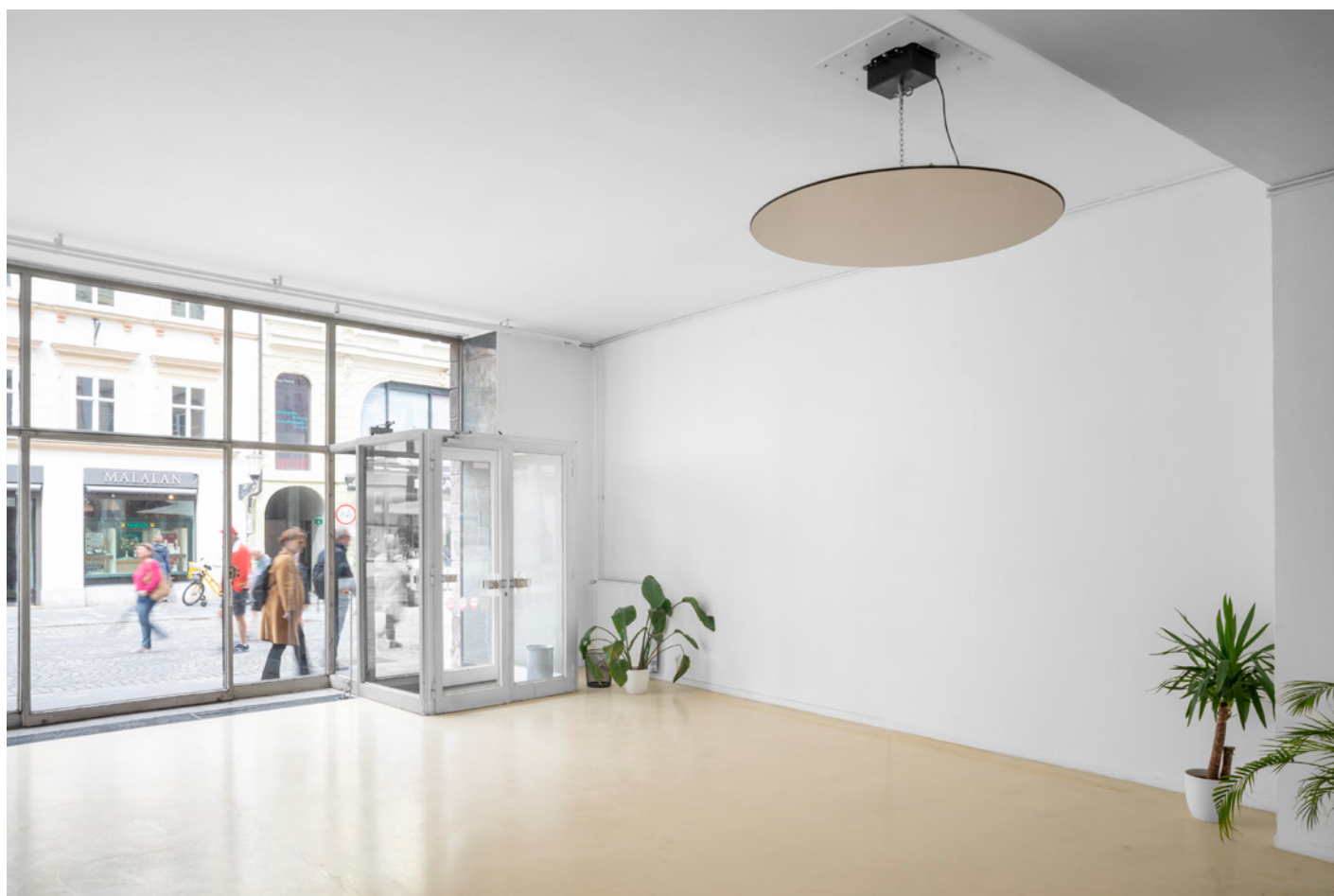
photographic print, video activated with the Artivive app as NFT, 15 × 10 cm



"head", 2024
concrete object, 90 × 30 × 30 cm



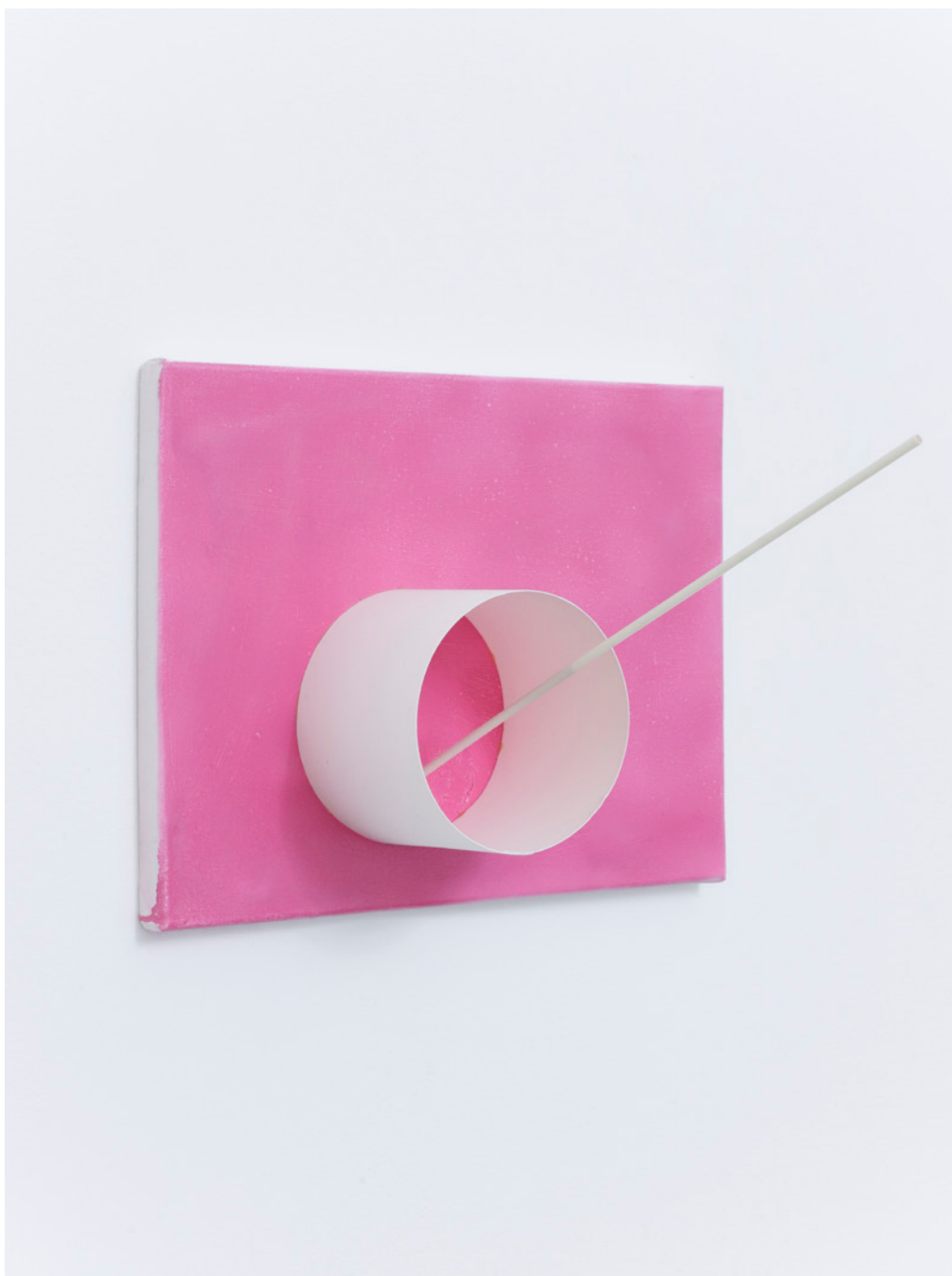
"fuckin good", 2024 (exhibition view)
action object, canvas and mixed media, 110 × 160 × 70 cm



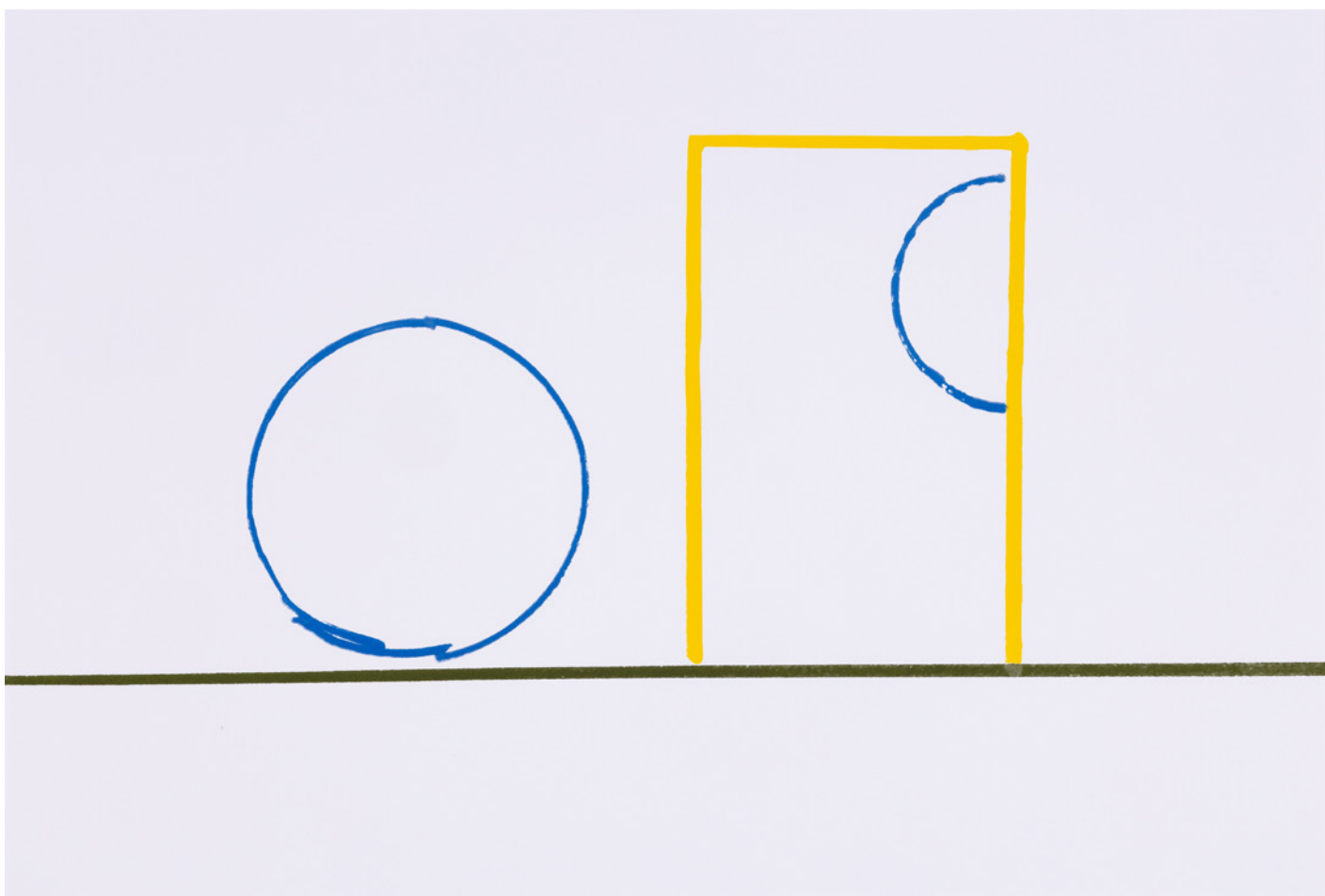
"Bakija and Zofka", 2024 (exhibition view)
object, mixed media, 60 × 130 × 130 cm



"another new", 2024
mixed media on canvas, 40 × 50 × 2 cm



"an unusual cry", 2024
mixed media on canvas, 30 × 40 × 35 cm



"you are me", 2023

silkscreen print, video activated with the Artivive app as NFT, closed series, 60 × 89 cm



"sleep n eat", 2023
relief painting, 40 × 30 × 11 cm



"open", 2023
action object, mixed media, 2 × 115 × 33 × 33 cm



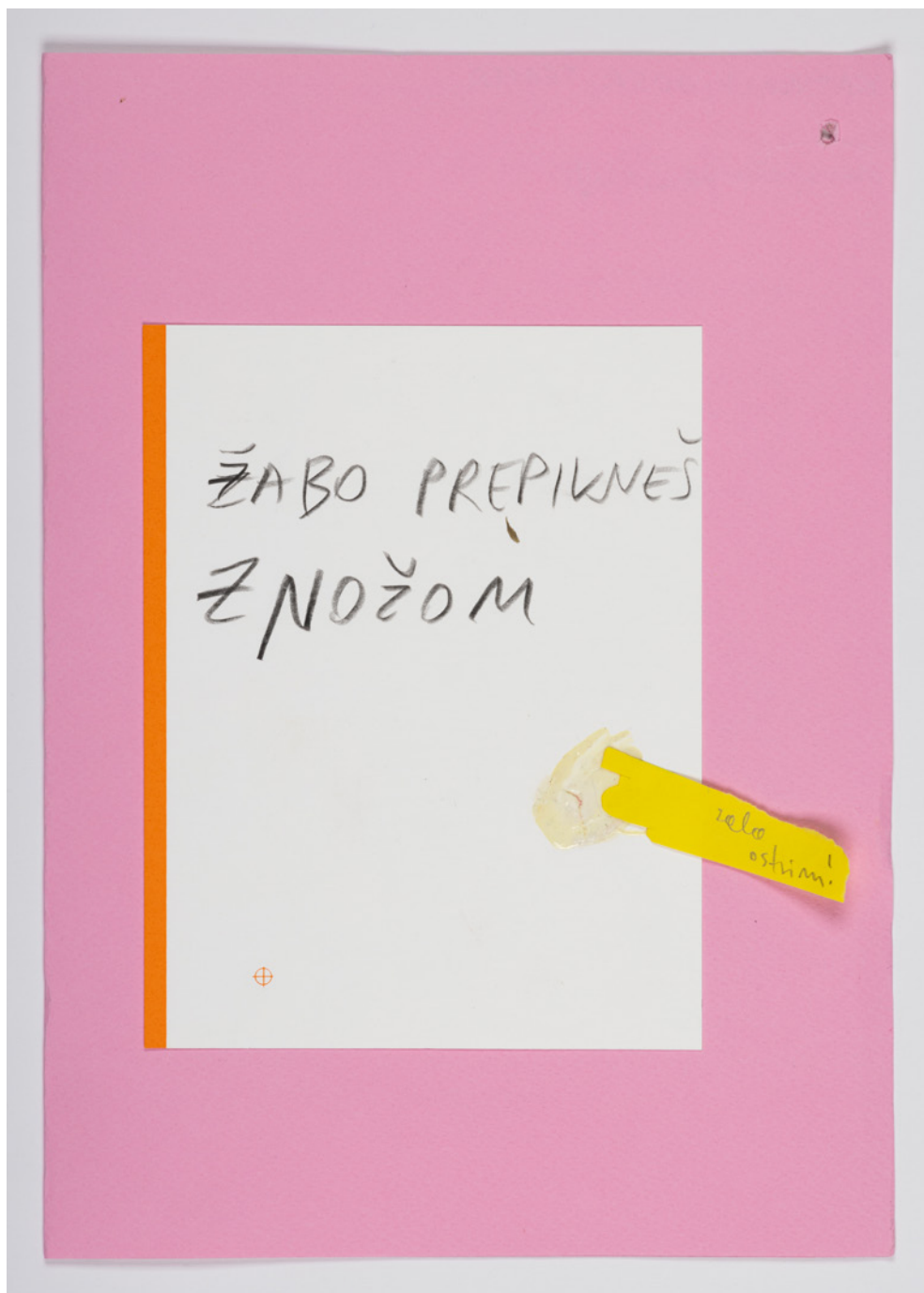
"kavica", 2023
gold object, 15 × 5 × 10 mm



"hand", 2023
art video, series 5/5, 9 sec



"beu oblak", 2022
collage, 50 × 70 cm



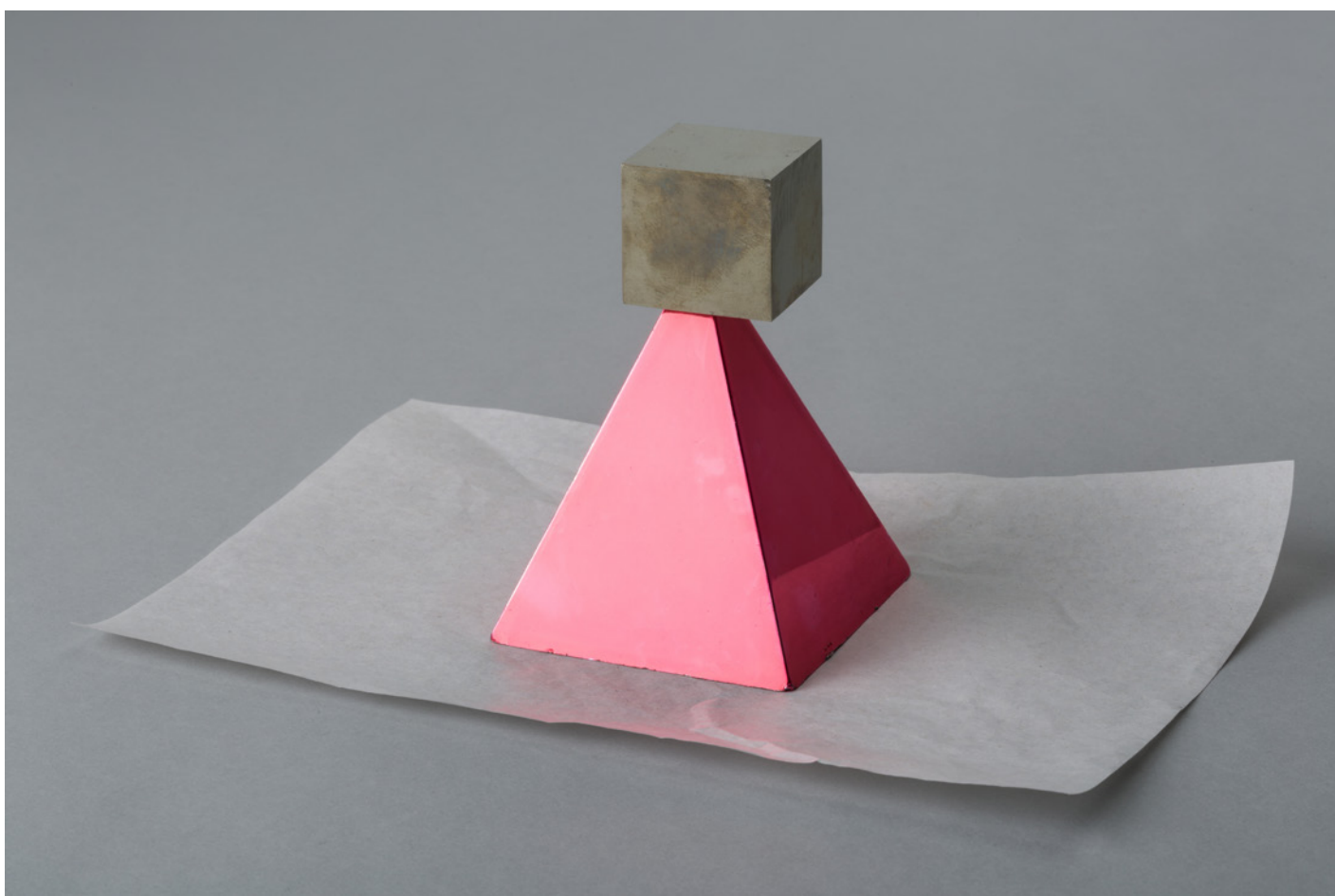
"hunt back", 2020
collage, mixed media, 30 × 21 × 4 cm



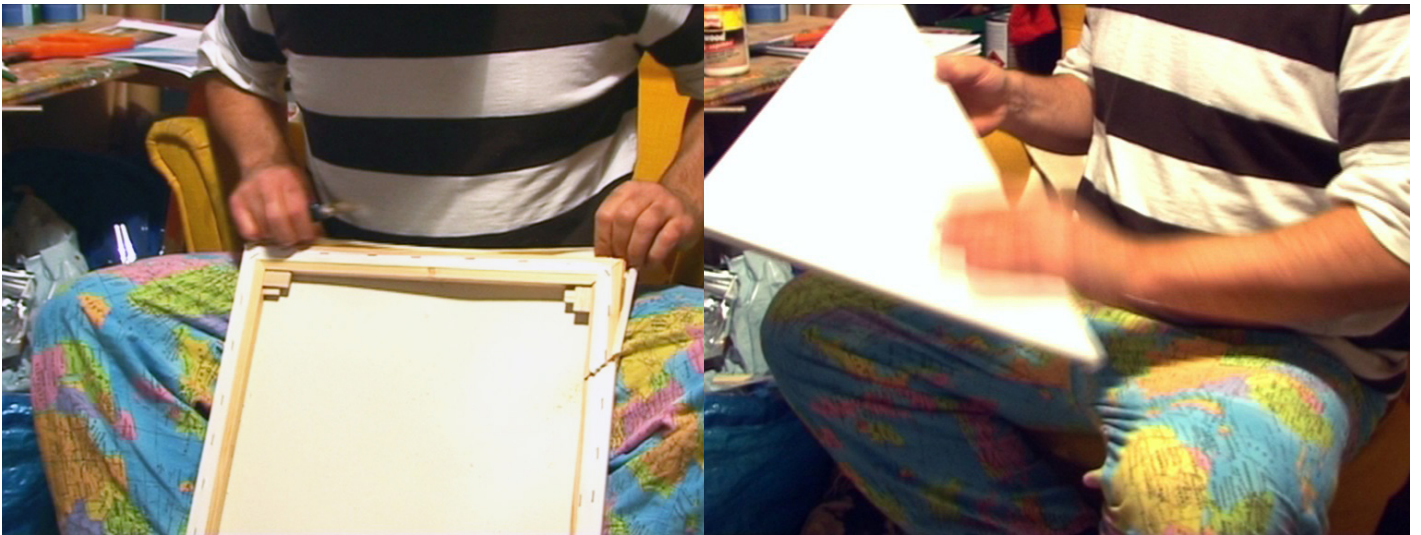
"lickin", 2019
art video, series 5/5, 23 sec



"irwin and model", 2018
document



"swallow us", 2017
art object, 10 × 20 × 14 cm



"eating oysters", 2017
art video, series 5/5, 4 min 40 sec



"axe", 2017
art video, series 5/5, 27 sec



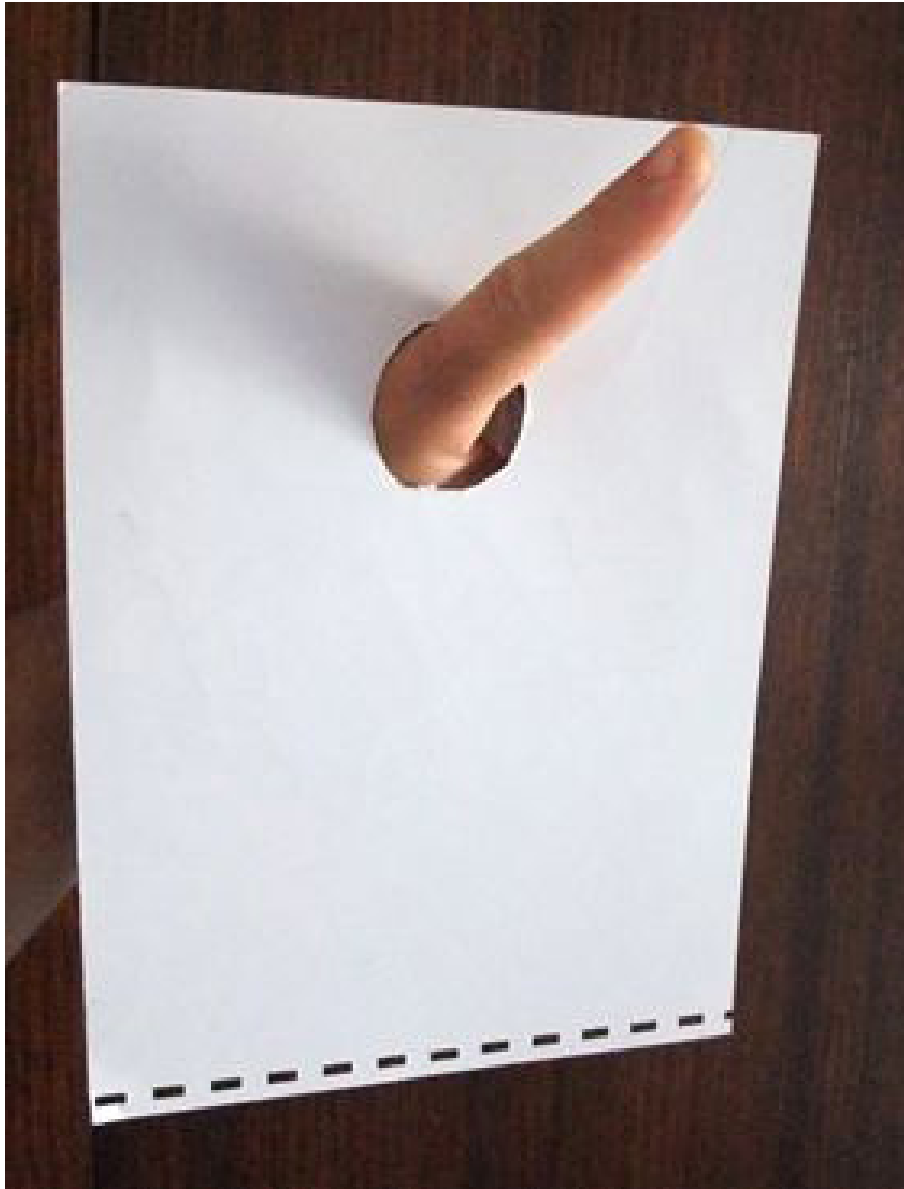
"golden dog smell", 2016 (exhibition view)
action object, mixed media, 88 × 13 × 13 cm



"she said she like it like that", 2014
collage, 17 × 23 × 5 cm



"hand+", 2013
collage, 17 × 24 cm



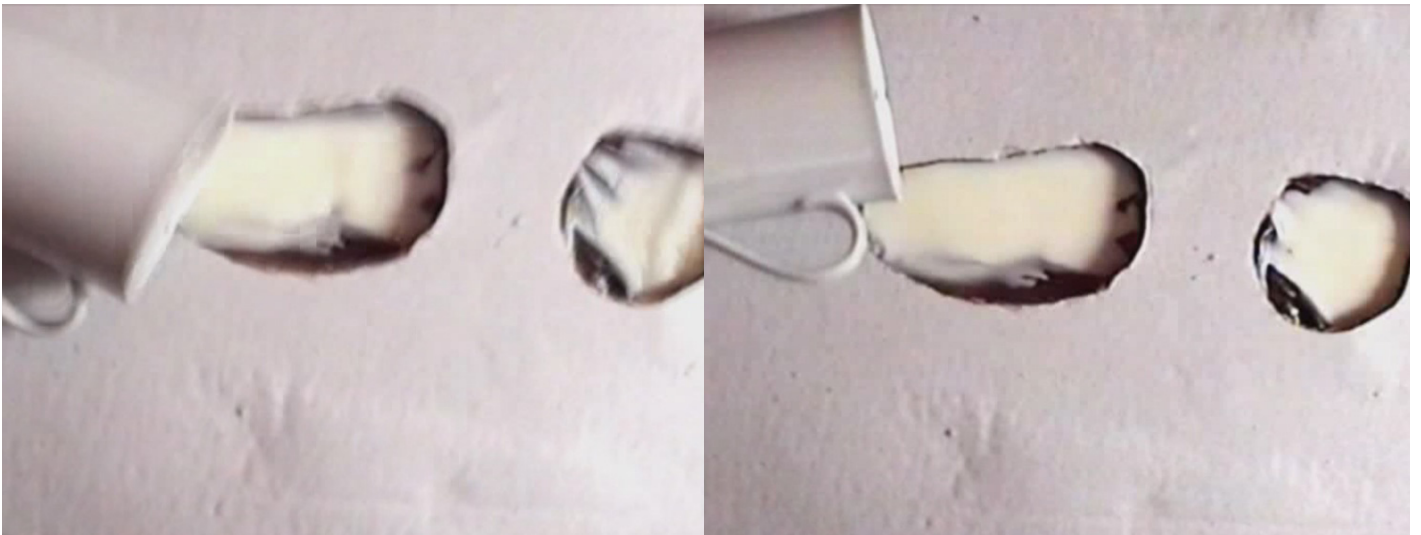
"no title", 2012
collage, 24 × 17 cm



"mountain log", 2006
sheet on wooden frame, 180 × 120 cm



"from movie", 2004
oil on canvas, 120 × 170 cm



"shaky milk", 2004
art video, series 5/5, 21 sec

Born in Slovenj Gradec in 1977, raised in Velenje.

Residencies

2009 ISCP – International Studio & Curatorial Program, New York, USA

2002 Not-Oreste Festival, Montescaglioso, Italy

Prizes and Awards

2022 Cesare Dell'Acqua Award, 57th Extempore Piran, Piran, Slovenia

2018 ArtSlant Prize Showcase Finalist, Los Angeles, USA

2008 OHO Award, Gallery and Center P74, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2001 Prešeren Award for Students – Academy of Fine Arts and Design, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

Solo Exhibitions

2024 Ravnika, *rain in a tent*, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2024 City Gallery Ljubljana, *adijo pecivo / pastry*, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2024 Gallery Loža, *DUNAJC POMFRIT*, Koper, Slovenia

2023 Studio UGM, *Pristava–Gaberke–Velenje*, Maribor, Slovenia

2023 Gallery Ravne, *Družmirje*, curator Jernej Kožar, Ravne na Koroškem, Slovenia

2020 Gregor Podnar, *13fifteen*, curator Gregor Podnar, Berlin, Germany

2018 Project Space DUM, *fade in to the night*, curator Tevž Logar, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2015 Gallery Apoteka, *under the counter*, curator Branka Benčić, Vodnjan, Croatia

2014 Gallery ŠKUC, *night train (who's there?)*, curator Vladimir Vidmar, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2013 Gallery Gregor Podnar, *LET GO*, curator Gregor Podnar, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2012 International Centre of Graphic Arts, *sofa*, curator Božidar Zrinski, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2009 Gallery Gregor Podnar, *fuckin' hanging*, curator Gregor Podnar, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2003 Galerie Jaspers, *Open Art 2003 Munich*, curator Michael Jaspers, Munich, Germany

2002 Gallery Velenje, *Square*, curator Milena Koren-Božiček, Velenje, Slovenia

Group Exhibitions

2025 36th Ljubljana Biennial of Graphic Arts, curator Chus Martínez, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2024 Château de Montsoreau – Museum of Contemporary Art, *Apollo's Decathlon: A Conceptual Cultural Olympiad*, curator Lara Pan, Loire Valley, France

2024 Cukrarna, *Layering*, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2023 *Constellations*, Gallery Apoteka, Vodnjan, Croatia

2021 International Centre of Graphic Arts, *Mladen Stropnik and Small but Dangers*, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2018 Essanay Silent Film Museum, *Ephemereye: Moving Silently*, USA

2017 *Temporary Encounters*, Galerija Galženica, Velika Gorica, Croatia

2017 SintArt 07: Marko Tadić – *Man Standing in a Museum Looking at Something*, Collection Richter, Zagreb, Croatia

2016 *The Centres of Printmaking: At the Intersection of Knowledge, Learning and Cooperation*, International Centre of Graphic Arts, Ljubljana / Belgrade / Philadelphia, Slovenia / Serbia / USA

2015 Museum of Contemporary Art Metelkova, *Crises and New Beginnings: Art in Slovenia 2005–2015*, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2014 International Centre of Graphic Arts, *Crossings*, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2013 Gallery ŠKUC, *THE PLEASURE IS MINE*, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2011 29th Ljubljana Graphic Biennale, *fuckin rabbit*, Ljubljana, Slovenia

2009 Gallery ISCP-NY, *geris magic acid bar*, New York, USA

2006 Emergeandsee, EU 2006 Tour, Berlin, Budapest, London

2005 The 12th Biennial of Young Artists from Europe and the Mediterranean, Naples, Italy

Texts

2024 Maja Kač, 2024 Barbara Strle Vurnik, 2024 Piera Ravnika, 2020 Gregor Podnar, 2018 Tevž Logar, 2018 Alfo Petrini, 2015 Branka Benčič, 2014 Alfo Petrini, 2014 Vladimir Vidmar, 2013 Gregor Podnar, 2012 Božidar Zrinski, 2011 Denis Volk, 2009 Barbara Strle Vurnik, 2009 Gregor Podnar, 2003 Michael Jaspers

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