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Basel conceptual, media and installation artists Admir Jahic (1975) and Comenius Roethlisberger (1971) are many things: visual artists, best friends, cooking and music enthusiasts, family people and a congenial road trip couple. But while there is a clear division of tasks in the car – one drives (Roethlisberger) while the other is responsible for catering and sound (Jahic) – there is a lot of discussion, intervention and change in their artistic work at the beginning of each project. In addition, coincidence plays a major role in their collaboration, which emerged in 2008 from an equally chance encounter. Even more, the element of coincidence is used by the two in a calculated way and through almost manic repetitions of the same artistic process, again and again in their works. Jahic/Roethlisberger pursue a minimalist approach and adapt everyday objects for their assemblages, which they bring into an artistic context with humour and irony and thus raise philosophical questions about our reality. One of their central subjects is the exploration of spatial aspects; they discuss their own collaboration and, again and again, the collaboration with other artists.

Published by her own publishing house BOLO PUBLISHING, the book project Artists' Recipes, which was first presented at Art Basel 2015 and became an international success, combines cooking with art and is now available in its third edition in bookshops and museum shops worldwide. International artists such as Marina Abramović, Olafur Eliasson, Anish Kapoor and Erwin Wurm present their favourite recipes, complemented by drawings, collages and photographs.

Projects

- 2021 Music – A Conversation Through Song Titles, art and book project, Kulturstiftung Basel H. Geiger | KBH.G – Basel, CH
- 2019 -2020 Bitte Ruhe wir drehen, a compilation of short movies showing us experimenting with fireworks and other materials
- 2019 Opening the CHEZ LES ARTISTES Popup store – Basel, CH
- 2018 Klybeck 18, Portrait of A Friend – Basel, CH
- 2018 - 2019 Commissioned Works. We produced two large scale Neon installations. The first for Burkhard und Partner Architekten (23 Meters of Neon) at their main office and one outdoor piece (21 Meters of Neon) for a private Collection in Switzerland.
- 2019 Chez les Artistes. A temporary installation containing a Bar with the walls filled with cover versions of famous paintings and drawings. After closing the Bar we were commissioned to create "The Wall" an Installation including 32 cover versions of famous paintings, photos and drawings.

Solo Exhibitions (Selection)

- 2017 Showcase I, M54 - with guest artist Christian Andersson – Basel, CH
- 2017 Showcase II, Volkshaus Basel - with guest artist Sandra Knecht – Basel, CH
- 2017 Showcase III, Säali – Basel, CH
- 2015 WE ARE TAKING A SABATICAL FROM EXHIBITING WITH GALLERIES
- 2015 Idea Fixa, Gallery – Basel, CH
- 2015 Artist-Talk / Art Basel 45 – Book presentation of Artists' Recipes with Rirkrit Tiravanija as part of the project "Do We Dream Under the Same Sky", Art Basel 45 – Basel, CH
- 2014 Fettschmelze, curated of Maria Tanbourgi (Galerie Meyer Rieger) – Karlsruhe, Germany
- 2012 MAMA – Public Art Squad Foundation – Rotterdam, NL

Group Exhibitions (Selection)

- 2017 Dienstgebäude – Zürich, CH
- 2016 Swiss Institute New York – Showcase – Book Presentation Artists' Recipes – New York, USA
- 2016 Kunsthaus Baselland, Museumsnacht, Installation and Performance – Baselland, CH
- 2016 Kunsthaus Baselland, Ernte 2015, Purchase of the Canton of Baselland, CH
- 2014 Kunsthaus Hamburg INDEX – Hamburg, Germany
- 2014 3 + 1 = 6 | Stampa | Von Bartha | Idea Fixa at Güterhalle St. Johannis Bahnhof – Basel, CH
- 2012 Haus Für Elektronische Künste – Basel, CH
- 2012 Black Square Gallery, Miami, USA | John Martin Gallery – London, UK
- 2010 Kunsthalle Prag, Decadence Now – Prag, CZ
- 2010 Kunsthalle Rotterdam - Curated by Harlan Levey – Rotterdam, NL
- 2009 Kunsthalle Mulhouse, Regionale – Mulhouse, France

Art Fairs (Selection)

- 2016 ART.FAIR, Installation | Solo Installation, invited by the ART.FAIR – Köln, Germany
- 2012 ART MOSCOW, represented by Black Square Gallery – Moscow, Russia
- 2012 PAN Amsterdam, represented by Witzenhausen Gallery – Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 2011 ART CHICAGO, represented by Aureus Contemporary – Chicago, USA
- 2010 BOLOGNA ART FIRST, represented by John Martin Gallery – Bologna, Italy