

Volker Hermes (*1972)

1992 – 1995 Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Philosophy
1995 – 2002 Academy of art Düsseldorf, Painting in the class of Dieter Krieg
2000 Meisterschüler of Dieter Krieg
2002 Academy of art Düsseldorf, graduated with "Akademiebrief"

Grants/Scholarships

1999 – 2001 Scholarship recipient German National Scholarship Foundation
2000 Travel Grant Academy of art, Düsseldorf
2002 Travel Grant of Kunstverein Düsseldorf
2003 Resident Artist at Palazzo Barbarigo della Terrazza, Venice, Italy
2005 Artist Residency Ein Hod, Israel

Projects/Podcasts/Online Projects in a selection

2025 *Portrait und Mensch*, Online Project with Prussian Palaces and Gardens Foundation, Potsdam
2023 Artists on Artists, National Gallery, London
2022 Lecture, Lebanese American University, Eli Saab & LCF Fashion Institute, Beirut
Talk „Hidden Portraits: a new voice in an old world“, Art History Festival, UK
2021 KAOS digital Residency, London
Clothing the Pandemic, International Committee for Museums & Collections of Costume
Podcast Athena Art Foundation
Face off Symposium, Manchester Fashion Institute, Metropolitan University, Manchester
2020 Podcast Colnaghi Foundation, London/ New York
Podcast Dress:Fancy, London
2018 *île Flottante*, art project at the British Pavillon, Venice Biennale of Architecture

Single (S) - and Group exhibition (G) in a selection

2026 *Hidden Portraits*, 44 DeVore Gallery, New York (S)
No feeling is final, Masters and Contemporary Art Museum (MACA), Copenhagen (S)
Fashion in the 18th Century. A Fantasized Legacy, Musée Palais Galliera, Paris (G)
Talking Heads, Museum Kasteel D'Ursel, Hingene, Belgium (G)
Das Glück der Erde, Suermondt-Ludwig Museum, Aachen (G)
Ich gehe, aber wohin?, Paulus Museum, Münster (G)
2025 *The Look*, James Freeman Gallery, London (with Derrick Guild)
Hidden Portraits / Portraits caches, Chateau Azay Le-Rideau, France (S)
Hidden Portraits at Classic Week 2025, Christie's, New York (S)
Rococo Reboot, Modemuseum, Hasselt, Belgium (G)
2024 *Eyes on time*, Suermondt-Ludwig Museum, Aachen (S)
The Reflected Self, Compton Verney House, UK (G)
2023 *RUFF HOOD*, James Freeman Gallery, London (S)
Rococo madness, National Museum, Wrocław, Poland (G)
2022 *Unveiled*, The Beany House, Canterbury Museums, Canterbury (G)
UltraQueer, Museum Palazzo Merulana, Rom (G)
Die Grosse, Museum Kunstpalast, Düsseldorf (G)
2021 *Inszenierungen des Zeigens*, Kunsthaus NRW, Kornelimünster (G)
Die Digitale, Festival for digital arts, Düsseldorf (G)
2020 Classic-week feat. Volker Hermes' Hidden Portraits, Christie's, Rockefeller Center, New York (S)
Hidden Portraits, Identità s-velate, Musei Civici del Castello Visconteo, Pavia, Italy (S)
You are here Kunsthaus NRW Kornelimünster (G)
2018 *fly like paper (für Mira)*, Gallery Bräuning Contemporary, Hamburg (S)
2017 *Akademie*, KIT (Kunst im Tunnel), Düsseldorf (G)
2016 *50 contemporary artists*, Enter Art Foundation, Berlin (G)
2014 *Humboldt Hybride*, Galerie Bräuning Contemporary, Hamburg (S)
2013 *HANG*, Pop up Show, Stuttgart (G)
2012 *Parforce*, Gallery Bräuning Contemporary, Hamburg (S)
2011 *Tape modern Nr.22*, Tape, Berlin (G)
2009 *Jungfernhöhle*, Souterrain Michael Siemer, Düsseldorf (S)
2008 *Ich suche Du*, Kunstverein Heinsberg (S)
2007 *Dramamaterial*, Atelier am Eck, Düsseldorf (G)
2006 *Kunstrasen Ersatzbank der Gefühle*, Stadtmuseum, Halle/ Saale (G)
Panim, Pyramida, center for contemporary art, Haifa, Israel (G)
2005 *The little house on the prairie*, Beit Ta Tharbut, EnHod Israel (S)
delicious suicide, Gallery Kunstbüro Düsseldorf (S)
2004 *Spört ist Mörd*, CirculationsCentralen Gallery, Malmö, Schweden (S)
co_op, Kunstverein Hildesheim (G)
2003 *low earth orbit*, Tanzhaus NRW, Düsseldorf (S)
2002 *Bildräume*, Kunstverein Landau (G)
bel air bench, Het Glazen Huis, Amsterdam (S)
Für den Innenbereich, Gallery Alfred Knecht, Karlsruhe (G)
2001 *Paper Jam*, Kunstverein Bielefeld (G)
2000 *Flag Parade*, Museum Abteiberg Mönchengladbach (G)