

BIOGRAPHY

ARTIST

Gemma Pepper

Gemma Pepper (b. 1979) is a British artist and photographer based in Switzerland. She studied photography in the United Kingdom at Llandrillo College, Rhos-on-Sea, North Wales, and at the University of Derby. In 2021, she graduated with a Master of Arts ZFH in Art Education, specializing in Curatorial Studies, from the Zurich University of the Arts.

Her work has been exhibited and published internationally and is held in both private and public collections. Through her practice, she seeks to suspend and transcend time and space, exploring the connections between past and present. She examines nostalgia and vernacular photography as both aesthetic objects and cultural artifacts.

Central to her work are the questions: What does a photograph do? And what visions of the future can emerge when images are recontextualized into something new?

SOLO
SHOW

2024

Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France

Imaginary Landscapes, History Museum, Wald, Switzerland

GROUP
SHOW

2026

Photo London, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, London, England

Art Paris, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France

Rotterdam Photo 26, Echoes of Silence, The Netherlands

2025

Hellerau Photography Award 2025 – Echoes of Truth, Technische Sammlungen
Dresden, Germany

Contemporary Istanbul, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Istanbul, Turkey

Head On Photo Festival, Sydney, Australia

Siena Photography Festival, Siena, Italy

Galerie Jacques Cerami, Couillet, Belgium

Chester Photography Festival, Chester, England

Galerie Atelier R6, Seriell, Goldau, Switzerland

2024

Photo Basel, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Basel, Switzerland

AIPAD – The Photography Show, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, New York, United
States

Kunst im Turm, Wipkingen, Zurich, Switzerland

Unikat Photographie, Former Villa Galerie Kornfeld, Zurich, Switzerland

Museo Nazionale del Risorgimento, Dreaming Architecture, Turin, Italy

Rotterdam Photo 24, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

2023

PH21 Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

Light and Shadow, Glasgow Gallery of Photography, Glasgow, Scotland

Photoville4600 by Fujifilm, International Photo Festival Olten, Switzerland

Vayo Collage Gallery, Lyons, New York, United States

Museum of Photographic Arts, Sony World Photography Awards, San Diego, USA

2022

Paris Photo, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France
 Photo Basel, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Basel, Switzerland
 Photo London, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, London, England
 Sony World Photography Awards, Lenzburg, Switzerland
 Sony World Photography Awards, Somerset House, London, England
 Swiss Photo Awards, Photobastei, Zurich, Switzerland
 ClampArt Gallery, New York, United States

2021

Feature Shoot Street Exhibition, Los Angeles, United States
 Feature Shoot Street Exhibition, New York, United States
 Boomer Gallery, London, England
 Foley Gallery, New York, United States
 Van der Plas Gallery, New York, United States
 The Blank Wall Gallery, Athens, Greece

SELECTED
 AWARDS /
 RESIDENCIES

2026

Residency Lilly Keller Foundation, Thusis, Graubünden, Switzerland
 Masterclass Book Design (Online), Centre de la Photographie, Geneva

2025

Finalist, Head On Photo Award
 Nominee, Siena Creative Photography Award
 Nominee, Refocus Award
 Nominee, Hellerau Portrait Photography Award

2024

Nominee, Fine Art Photography Award

2023

Nominee, Photoville4600 by Fujifilm Awards, Photography Festival Olten
 Nominee, Annual Photography Award

2022

Elles x Paris Photo Award, Paris Photo
 Winner, Vienna International Photography Award
 Nominee, International Photography Award
 Nominee, Lucie Foundation Carte Blanche Award
 Winner, Emerging Photographer Award, Feature Shoot

PUBLICATIONS

Elles: Elles x Paris Photo, Textuel Publishing, Paris, 2023
 Making Voices Heard, Chester photography Festival, 2025
 Echoes of Truth (Catalogue), Portrait Hellerau Photography Award, 2025
 Musee Magazine, Evolution, Issue nr.29, 2023
 Poetry, Shutter Hub, Shutter Hub Publishing, UK, 2022
 Yearbook, Shutterhub, Shutter Hub Publishing, UK, 2022
 Echoes of Yesterday, Photo Trouvée, 2021
 What Kind of a Collage Is That, Author: Katie Blake, 2022
 Sony World Photography Awards Book, 2022
 Tatler Magazine, May/June/July Issue, 2022
 Tiny Spoon Magazine, 2021
 Artful Memories Book, by Jane Chipp, Jack Ravi, 2021
 NNC V World Magazine, June/September Issue, 2021