

CURRICULUM VITAE



Loukia Richards (Athens, 1965)

EDUCATION

- 1982 Apolytirio (Senior High School Certificate) - Arsakeio, Athens.\
- 1988 Ptyhio (BA) Economics - National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. Department: Political sciences and economics. \
- 1993 Diplom Designerin - Universität der Kuenste (UdK), Berlin. Department: Visual Communication.\
- 1995 Christie's Inc. New York - Department: 19th century European painting. Internship.\
- 2000 Reuters Journalism - Communication seminars for staff members, London and Athens.\

AWARDS / GRANTS / NOMINATIONS

- 2022 Grant of Hamburgische Stiftung for co-curating SMCK ON REEL Hamburg (Video festival).\
- 2021 Nominated for the European Prize for Applied Art, Mons, Belgium (Jewelry).\
- 2020 Nominated for the Herbert Hofmann Prize/Schmuck Munich (Jewelry).\
- 2018 Nominated for the European Prize for Applied Art, Mons, Belgium (Jewelry).\
- 2017 Nominated for the Herbert Hofmann Prize/Schmuck Munich (Jewelry).\
- 2014 Nominated for the Altonale Art Festival Prize Hamburg (Performance/Textile).\
- 2011-2012 Grant and Artist Residency for two Art & Communication projects, Kuenstlerdorf Schoeppingen Foundation, Germany.\
- 2011 Art Hotel Dulac, Artist In Residence grant, Amsterdam (Textile/Performance).\
- 2009 Artist In Residence grant at Ted Noten Atelier Amsterdam/ "Red Light Design" Project (Textile/Jewelry).\
- 2008 The Fulbright Foundation Award for Mid Career Artists. Research grant for studying the Greek embroidery collection at The Textile Museum' in Washington D.C.\
- 2007 Nominated for the New Traditional Jewelry Award, Sieraad International Art Jewellery Fair, Amsterdam.\
- 2006 Selected Maker. Crafts Council England e-Marketing grant (Non precious jewelry).\
- 1998 The EU Media grant to write a film script, Brussels.\
- 1989-1993 The Alexander S. Onassis Benefit Foundation scholarship to study at UdK, Berlin.\
- 1987 The Goethe Institut German Language & Culture scholarship. Rothenburg ob der Tauber. Germany.

FOUNDING

- 2017 - today "FaveLAB" - International Artist In Residence and Exhibition Programme, Athens. With Christoph Ziegler.
- 2020 - today SMCK Magazine for Independent Artists. With Christoph Ziegler.
- 2022 - today SMCK ON REEL - Jewelry videos festival. With Christoph Ziegler.\

CURATION

2022 „Metamorphoses“. Group exhibition at Bayerischer Kunstgewerbeverein Munich. With Christoph Ziegler.

2022-today SMCK ON REEL. Jewelry videos festival at Bayerischer Kunstgewerbeverein/Galerie Weltraum/Schmuck info point Munich - Vilnius Biennial Metalofonas - Grassmesse Leipzig - Faktor/Hamburgische Stiftung Hamburg - National Library Bucharest at Romanian Jewelry Week (ROJW) - Timisoara European Capital of Culture 2023/POJW - Melitzazz Festival 2023 Greece.

2021 „Flying Circus“. Group exhibition at Galerie Weltraum and online supported by The City of Munich (Jewelry/video). With Christoph Ziegler.

2020 "Helen's dress". AIR program including workshops & group exhibition for "Vamvakou Revival", Greece funded by S. Niarchos Foundation (Textile/Jewelry/Performance/Video). With Christoph Ziegler.

2020 „Polemos/war“, Group exhibition at Galerie Weltraum supported by The City of Munich (Jewelry/video). With Christoph Ziegler.\

2019 "WERT/voll". Group show at Federal Environment Agency Dessau & Grassi Museum Leipzig (Jewelry/Object). With Christoph Ziegler.\

2019 The Sacred & The Profane. Group exhibition at Galerie Weltraum supported by The City of Munich. With Christoph Ziegler. (Jewelry/Object/Performance).\

2019 "The Textile Quintett". AIR program, including workshop & group show at Tsikaliotis Tower, Leonidio, Greece. With Christoph Ziegler.\

2018 "Kallichoron". Group show at Galerie Florian Trampler Munich. (Jewelry/Object/Performance/Dance). With Christoph Ziegler.\

2017 "Initiation". Group exhibition. Galerie Florian Trampler Munich. (Jewelry/Object/Performance). With Christoph Ziegler.\

2017 "Initiation". Group exhibition. Sieraad International Jewelry Art Fair, Amsterdam. With Christoph Ziegler.\

2016 "Test Drive" - Mobile group exhibition in Munich supported by The City of Munich (Jewelry/Object). With Christoph Ziegler.\

2016 "Test Drive". Group exhibition. Sieraad International Jewelry Art Fair, Amsterdam. With: Christoph Ziegler.\

2015 "Myths". Group exhibition. Galerie Weltraum Munich. (Jewelry/Object/Performance). With Christoph Ziegler.\

2015 "Myths". Sieraad International Jewelry Art Fair, Amsterdam. With Christoph Ziegler.\

2014 "Myths". Group exhibition. ((Jewelry/Object/Performance). Galerie Hinterconti, Hamburg. With Christoph Ziegler.\

2013 "Myths". Group exhibition((Jewelry/Object/Performance/Dance). Galerie FunckRaumi, Berlin. With Christoph Ziegler.\

2010 „Let's go to Tsikaliotais“. AIR program with workshops & group exhibition. Tsikaliotis Tower, Leonidio, Greece.\

EXHIBITIONS

A. SOLO EXHIBITIONS (SELECTION)

2017 "Berlin - End of an era", Trianon Art Cinema, Athens. (Textile/Photography).

2014 "Das Rapunzel Häuschen Nebenan". Galerie Entwurf Direkt. Altonale Art Festival, Hamburg. (Textile/Performance).\

2013 "Zyklus". Umweltbundesamt (Federal Environment Agency), Dessau. (Textile/Object).\

2012 "A Stitcher's Odyssey", Openbare Bibliotheek Amsterdam. (Textile/Object).\

2011 "The Olive Tree A Rooster Called Home", Coco-mat Concept Stores. Antwerp, Amsterdam,

Rotterdam.(Textile/Object).

2010, „Let's go to Tsikaliotis“, Municipal Gallery at Tsikaliotis Tower Leonidio (Textile/Soft sculpture/Painting)\

2008 "Labyrinths", Sagiannos Gallery, Athens. (Jewelry/Textile).\

2008 "The Washington diary", Tsikatiolis Tower, Leonidio, Greece. (Textile).\

2004 "Going home", The Peloponnesian Folklore Foundation, Nafplio, Greece. (Painting/Object).\

2003 "Berlin, Paradoxical Landscapes", Manufactura Gallery, Athens. (Photography/Prints).\

2002 "Going home", Tsikatiolis Tower, Leonidio, Greece. (Painting).

1993 "Manifestations of Normality", Universität der Künste Berlin. (Photography).

B. GROUP EXHIBITIONS (SELECTION)

2023 „Ocean Treasures“, Wagner Preziosen Berlin (Jewelry)

2023 SMCK ON REEL at Bayerischer Kunstgewerbeverein and Schmuck infopoint Munich (Video)

2022 „Metamorphoses“, Bayerischer Kunstgewerbeverein Munich (Jewelry/Textile/Video)

2022 „Faces“, Galerie Handwerk, Munich, 2022 (Jewelry)

2022 „Schmuck + Image“, Grassi Museum Leipzig (Jewelry)

2022 „Memories of a place“, Vilnius Biennial Metalofonas (Jewelry)

2021 „Textiles are political“.Rian Designmuseum, Falkenberg (Jewelry/Textile)

2021 The European Prize For Applied Arts Nominees show, Mons 2021 (Jewelry)

2021 „Flying circus“, Galerie Weltraum Munich and online (Jewelry/Video)

2020 „Schmuck Sonderschau“. IHW Munich.

2020 „Polemos/war“, Galerie Weltraum Munich (Jewelry/Video)

2019 „The Sacred and the Profane“, Weltraum Munich (Jewelry/Performance)

2019 "WERT/voll" at Federal Environment Agency Dessau and Grassi Museum Leipzig. (Jewelry).\

2019 "Monumentality-Fragility". The European Prize for Applied Arts (Jewelry). The National Gallery for Crafts and Design at Kilkenny Castle, Ireland.\

2019 "Polymporhia". Fulbright Foundation. I-D ProjectArt, Athens (Textile).\

2019 "TheTextile Quintett" at Tsikaliotis Tower, Leonidio, Greece (Textile)..

2018 "Initiation-Kallichoron". Galerie Florian Trampler. Munich. (Jewelry/Performance).\

2018 "Just Plastics". Selected artists' special show at Eunique Design Fair Karlsruhe. (Jewelry).\

2017 "angewantzt". Bayerischer Kunstgewerbeverein Munich. (Jewelry).\

2017 "Galerie Ra" at Frame / Internationale Handwerksmesse (IHM), Munich. (Jewelry).\

2017 "Trash & Treasures". Wagner Preziosen, Berlin. (Jewelry).\

2017 "Initiation". Florian Trampler Gallery. Munich. (Textile/Jewelry/Performance).\

2017 "Schmuck Sonderchau" at the Internationale Handwerksmesse (IHM), Munich.\

2017 "Schmuckbegehren", Villa Bengel, Idar-Oberstein, Germany. (Jewelry).\

2017 "Komplizen des Frühlings". Galerie Werner Hermsen, Wiesbaden, Germany (Jewelry).\

2017 "Initiation". Sieraad International Jewellery Art Fair Amsterdam.\

2016 Grassimesse. Grassi Museum, Leipzig. (Jewelry).\

2016 "Collective Identity". Greskewitz & Kleinitz Gallery, Hamburg (Textile).\

2016 "Test Drive". Rindermarktplatz/Willy Brandt Platz/ Isartor, Munich. (Jewelry).\

2016 "Art Pulses". Onassis Cardiac Surgery Hospital, Athens. (Soft sculpture).\

2016 "Myths", Sieraad International Jewelry Art Fair Amsterdam.\

2015 "Myths". Weltraum Gallery, Munich. (Jewelry).\

2015 "Myths" Sieraad Jewelry Art Fair, Amsterdam.\

2015 "Dialogue with Zen". Zen Center Athens (Textile).\

2015 "Affordable Art & Design". Papenhuder57 Gallery, Hamburg (Textile).\

2014 "Zwischenspiel". Studio F40-Thikwa Werkstatt für Theater und Kunst, Berlin (Textile).\

2014 "WeltAusstellung GrensWerte". Kloster Bentlage, Germany (Textile).\

2014 "Myths". Group exhibitionat Galerie Hinterconti Hamburg (Jewelry/Object/Performance)..

2013 "Pornodolls" at St.Pauli Museum Hamburg (Paper sculpture). \

2013 "ZLR präsentiert" at Galerie Entwurf Direkt Gallery Hamburg. (Textile). \

2013 "Myths". Group exhibition at Galerie FunckRaum Berlin (Jewelry). \

2012 "WildBookMarket. Art Book Fair Rotterdam (Textile books). \

2011 Art supports Education. The Fulbright Foundation. Benaki Museum Athens. (Textile). \

2010 „Let's go to Tsikaliotis“. Tsikaliotis Tower, Leonidio, Greece (Soft sculpture). \

2010 "I Care A Lot" at Idar-Oberstein University - Platina Gallery Stockholm - Artacula Gallery Lisbon (Soft sculpture). \

2008 "Symbols of Faith" at Coda Museum Apeldoorn, Netherlands (Jewelry). \

2007 "Faith". Selected artists' special exhibition at Sieraad International Jewelry Art Fair, Amsterdam. \

2006 "Heirlooms". The Association for Contemporary Jewelry at St. Botolph's Church, London. \

2006 The Brighton Craft Fair (Jewelry). \

2006 "Non precious jewelry" at Diana Porter Contemporary Jewelry Bristol. \

2006 "Krama" at Eleni Marneri Gallery Athens (Jewelry). \

2004 „Inspired by Andy Warhol's Flowers" at The Benaki Museum Shop (Jewelry). \

1999 "Art Bonds" at Athens Municipality Arts Center- Parko Elefterias (Textile/Collage).

COMMISSIONED WORK (SELECTION)

2003-2021 The Peloponnesian Foundation Shop, Nafplio, Greece (Jewelry).

2005-2010 The Benaki Museum Shop, Athens (Jewelry).

2008 The Textile Museum Shop, Washington D.C. (Jewelry). \

2008 The Hellenic Museum Shop, New York. (Jewelry). \

2006-2008 Felt, London. (Jewelry). \

2005-2006 Gadjo Dilo, London (Jewelry) \

CATALOGUES / PUBLICATIONS

2023 „Ocean Treasures“, Wagner Preziosen Berlin

2022 „Schmuck + Image“, Grassi Museum Leipzig.

2021 „Textiles are political“. Rian Designmuseum, Falkenberg.

2021 The European Prize For Applied Arts nominees' show.

2020 "Sonderschau Schmuck". IHM Handwerk & Design, Munich. \

2018 "Monumentality-Fragility". The European Prize for Applied Arts nominees' show. \

2017 "Sonderschau Schmuck". IHM Handwerk & Design, Munich. \

2017 Sieraad. International Jewellery Art Fair. 18th Edition. Amsterdam. \

2016 "Art Pulses". The Alexander S. Onassis Benefit Foundation, Athens. \

2016 "Grassimesse".. \

2016 Sieraad. International Jewelry Art Fair. 17th Edition. Amsterdam. \

2015 Sieraad. International Jewelry Art Fair. 16th Edition. Amsterdam. \

2014 "WeltAusstellung GrensWerte". Kloster Bentlage, Germany. \

2012 "WildBookMarket", De Wilde Weten, Rotterdam. \

2012 "The Fulbright Alumni Art Series". The Fulbright Foundation Greece. (e-Catalogue). \

2012 "Kunst & Energie", Künstlerdorf Schöppingen Foundation. \

2012 "Praxistest", Künstlerdorf Schöppingen Foundation. \

2012 "Ab in die Mitte!" Künstlerdorf Schöppingen Foundation. \

2011 "The Olive Tree A Rooster Called Home"- Exhibition e-catalogue. \

2008 "Adorn. The Jewelry Book". Thames & Hudson, London. \

2006 "Heirlooms". The Association for Contemporary Jewelry, London. \

2004 "Going home..." The Peloponnesian Folklore Foundation, Nafplio. \

1999 "Art bonds'. The Alexander S. Onassis Benefit Foundation, Athens. \

INSTITUTIONAL COLLECTIONS

Grassi Museum Leipzig (Jewelry) / The Onassis Benefit Foundation New York (Paintings) / The Fulbright Foundation Greece (Textile)/ Het Wilde Weten Rotterdam (Textile book)/ Peloponnesian Folklore Foundation (Jewelry/Drawing).

PERFORMANCES (SELECTION)

2017 Tarot Möbling. Nacht der Ästhetik, Goethe Institut Athens. With Christoph Ziegler. \

2016 Tarot Möbling. 2025 e.V. Hamburg. With Christoph Ziegler. \

2014 Tarot Möbling. 2025 e.V. Hamburg. With Christoph Ziegler. \

2014 Der Rote Faden 14. Altonale Art Festival Hamburg. With Evgeni Mestetschkin. \

2014 Stitchathon. Lange Nacht der Konsulate. General Consulate of Greece, Hamburg.

2013 Trash-Safari. Federal Environment Agency. Dessau and Berlin. \

2012 Creative Tarot. Utopisches Institut/Open Museum. Kunsthalle Hamburg. \

2012 Stitchathon. Camping, Gauloises Variété Liberté Festival, Hamburg.

2012 Bahnfasern zu Grenzverbindungen. GrensWerte / EUREGIO. Trash safari in the shuttle train between Münster-Enschede. \

2012 Stitchathon. Openbare Bibliotheek Amsterdam.

2012 ZBS/"Ab in die Mitte!". Künstlerdorf Schöppingen Foundation. With Christoph Ziegler. \

2011 Stitchathon. Griechische Kulturstiftung, Berlin.

2011 Ich möchte Dir etwas sagen. Künstlerdorf Schöppingen Foundation. \

LECTURES, TALKS & WORKSHOPS (SELECTION)

2023 „Digital Story Telling Festival“

2022 „Crafts and politics“ _Democritus National University of Greece, 2022

2019 "Objects of Desire". Grassi Museum Leipzig. With Christoph Ziegler. \

2019 "The hidden river Ilissos". Onassis Library Athens. With Christoph Ziegler.

2017 „The emotional value of jewelry at Jewellery Matters symposium/Rijksmuseum Amsterdam

2016 „Updating the Greek crafts tradition“ at Tsakonian Congress, Prastos/Greece

2016 "Magic jewelry". Altes Museum, Berlin. With Christoph Ziegler.

2014 „Jewelry and the media“ _Schmucksymposium Zimmerhof, 2014

2014 "40 Years Federal Agency for the Environment". Dessau. Guest artist.

2014 "Textile". Thikwa Werkstatt für Theater und Kunst, Berlin. \

2013 "Textile Upcycling". Federal Environment Agency, Dessau.

2013 Design Sundays. Stillwerk Hamburg. Guest artists. With Christoph Ziegler.

2013 "Textile Labyrinth". Thikwa Werkstatt für Theater und Kunst, Berlin. \

2013/14 "The Odyssey". Schule am See, Hamburg. With Christoph Ziegler. \

2012 "Communication for artists". Creative Economy Agency, Hamburg. \

2012 "Communication for artists". Creative Economy Agency, Flensburg.

2012 "Tarot for artists". Künstlerdorf Schöppingen Foundation. \

2011 "Textile workshop for artists". Künstlerdorf Schöppingen Foundation.

2010 "Magic jewellery". The Rooftile and Brickworks Museum N. & S. Tsalapatas, Volos.

2008 „On Greek embroidery“, Guest artist at The Embassy of Greece, Washington DC

JOURNALISM

Active journalist since 1995. Loukia has worked as staff member, free lancer, analyst, reporter, team coordinator, Editor In Chief for highly prestigious international and Greek press agencies, magazines,

newspapers. She has written over 2,000 articles on the following topics: economics, diplomacy, politics, culture. Content partner of Klimt02.\

MEMBERSHIPS

The Onassis Benefit Foundation Alumni Association.\

The National Chamber of the Arts, Greece.

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