PAUL GEHRI (HE/HIM)

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EDUCATION

09/2022-08/2023	 Meisterschüler of Prof. E Gabriel, Kunsthochschule Berlin-Weissensee Creation of a Master-Student piece
09/2019-08/2022	 Dipl. Fine Arts, Kunsthochschule Berlin-Weissensee, Berlin Studied Sculpture at the Class of Prof. Else Gabriel Courses in broncecasting, plaster- and waxcasting, stone sculpting photography, performance. Theory-Thesis Title: Peasants, Fools, Witches – Discoursive rural and occult motives in the art of the late Gothic period. Practical Thesis: Kinetik installation involving a swinging broncemonkey and performance of the artist.
09/2017-08/2019	 Dipl. Fine Arts, Staatl. Akademie d. Bild. Künste, Karlsruhe Studied sculpture at the Class of Prof. John Bock Courses in ceramics and printing (offset-print, screenprinting, linoleum/woodcut and etching), film and performance Art history with focus on Debord, the Situationist Movement, Abby Warburg

EXHIBITIONS

2023	 TUMULT Exhibition of the Meisterschüler*innen und Diplomant*innen of Kunsthochschule Berlin-Weissensee, curated by Maja Smoszna, Alte Münze, Berlin. Hot*Spot Groupshow, various positions on embodyment, sexuality ,social and culturual spaces. Curated by Sophia Mix and Josef Panda, Opening-speech by Ina Weise C. Rockefeller Center, Dresden. Besser Gestern Groupshow, curated by Severin Pfaud and Carola Kühlmann Alter Bergfried, Passau
2022	 Yet Yet Diploma-exhibition of Kunsthochschule Berlin-Weissensee, curated by Ayse Güngaz und Marit Lena Herrmann Kühlhaus, Berlin Hundert Hunde Groupshow, hundred artworks on the topic of "Dogs" curated by Charlotte Herold and Vincent Hüdepohl, Kunstfabrik am Flutgraben e.V., Berlin
2021	 SCHRÖDINGERS KATZEN Group show, Berlin

https://schroedingerscats.carrd.co/
 POPP-UP-100-SHOP Group show with a.o. Tinka Stock, Silke Stock, Max Gomann, Steffen Lenk, Felix Wagner, Pauline, Schommers, Popp-up-Store, Karlsruhe
 X-RAY Muted Video exhibition, Kunsthalle am Hamburger Platz, Berlin http://kunsthalle.kunsthochschule-berlin.de/x-ray.html
 Danke Platon Group show with Sush Lehmann, Fabian Krippner und Mara Olschowka, Kunstakademie Karlsruhe
 Isn't it a Gimme? Group show with Rae Young Kim, Marcus Frimel, Philip Nürnberger, Malte Römer, Jae Phil Dem, Julla Kroner, Miji Lee, Lucia Mattes, Rebekka Scheib, Schommers, Cynthia Wijona, HfBK Bremen
 HiFive-SalonHaus9 Group show with Silke Stock, Tinka Stock, Sébastien Wolf and Steffen Lenk, SalonHaus9, Berlin
 POINTLESSNESS – Junge Kunst Graz Group show, Reinighausgründe, Graz https://www.pointlessness.org/kuenstler
 RATIONAL EGAL Group show with Sush Lehmann, Fabian Krippner und Mara Olschowka, Kunstakademie Karlsruhe

PERFORMANCE

09/2022-08/2023	 VOLKSBÜHNE BERLIN: TOTER SALON 1-7 Performance-series by and with Sophia Süßmilch and Lydia Haider on the topic of the Seven Deathly Sins, including various guests from theater, fine art and music Position of the "Special Boy" as an ongoing part on stage during the whole performance.
09/2021-06/2022	 VOLKSBÜHNE BERLIN: halbTOTER SALON 1-6 Performance-series by and with Sophia Süßmilch and Lydia Haider temporarily without Sophia Süßmilch. Position of the "Special Boy" as an ongoing part on stage during the whole performance.

Publications

2023	Sai-Magazin 2. Ausgabe "irgendwas mit Scheitern"
	 Essay published in the print-magacine No. 2 of Sai-Kollektiv, self published 2023

ARTIST STATEMENT

Paul Gehri is a interdisciplinary Artist working with objects, installation, printmaking and performance. He was born in Karlsruhe in 1997, and after some experience in the crafts and in the social and educational work, began studying sculpture with John Bock at the Kunstakademie Karlsruhe. In 2022 he is a diploma student of sculpture at the Berlin-Weissensee Art Academy, and in 2023 a master student with Prof. Else Gabriel.

In his works he negotiates the outlines and significance of the human interaction with the material and organic world, the rules of object and matter as well as the relationship between uns humans and our bodies, and is trying to make sense out of this existence.

Coming from the rural crustpunk-scene of southern Germany, he brings a certain interest in spikes, corroded matter and decay, as well as great love for bloom.

More:

https://www.les-nouveaux-riches.com/interview-mit-paul-gehri/