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Most recently my work deals with the idea of serendipity and the search for a happy medium between analogue and digital. I'm creating works that tend to do the opposite of everyday life. First, creating them in a digital form through editing and only later having them become an object, that inhabits our living space. The results are paintings that leave the viewers questioning how it is created.

The starting point of an idea of this particular painting was an oil spill in the puddle – shiny rainbowish reflection called light interference. While digging deeper in this topic to see where to go from there – my imagination was filling up with colours and shapes which were reflecting about the topic... until I saw a picture taken from a pond, zoomed in thousand times via microscope – then I knew – I have to try it out as well.

As my object of interest is found on a wet surface only, I collected samples of the puddles and revealed the life of invisible scale. So the gestures, the shapes and movement are taken from my discoveries but colour inspired by physics.

Creative Biography

Education

2012 – present year	Art Academy of Latvia, Faculty of Visual Arts, Department of Painting, MA 2 nd
2016 – 2017	Internship in Artistic Research Center and Gallery Hangar, Lisbon, Portugal
2014 – 2015	Lisbon University, Fine Arts faculty, Portugal
2011 – 2012	Latvia Culture College at LAC, Management of Culture with Specialization in Environmental Design
2007 – 2011	Janis Rozentals Riga Art Highschool, Department of Sculpture
1998 – 2007	Riga English Grammar School

Language skills

Latvian language	Native language
English language	Fluent
Russian language	Conversant
Portuguese language	Beginner

Solo Exhibitions

2015	Structure. Kalnciems Street Quarter Art Gallery, Riga, Latvia
2014	From Riga to Lisbon. Östergötlands Museum, Linköping, Sweden

Group Exhibitions

2018	ARTVILNIUS'18 - International Contemporary Art Fair, Vilnius, Lithuania New talents for Latvia's centennial, Art Academy of Latvia, Riga, Latvia
2016	Latvian art and photos, Dashanzi 798 Art District, Beijing, China

	Place Oddity, Permanent Representation of Latvia to the European Union, Brussels, Belgium
	Baltic Emergence, Liepajas Museum, Liepaja, Latvia
	Our Riga, Gallery Jekabs, Riga, Latvia
	Art Academy Painting Department bachelor work exhibition, Kuldiga Art House, Kuldiga, Latvia
	Students' Dairies, <i>Art station Dubulti</i> , Jūrmala, Latvia
	Turning to the Future, Art Academy of Latvia, Riga, Latvia
2015 Latvia	Dedication to Rozentals. J. Rozentāls History & Art Museum of Saldus, Saldus
2014	LMA students' paintings. Valmieras Music School, Valmiera, Latvia
2013	Summer 2013. Gallery <i>ArtiChic</i> , Riga, Latvia 'Plain Air in Kuldiga. Art gallery of Artists' Residence, Kuldiga, Latvia SEB contest in painting. Art Academy of Latvia, Riga, Latvia Still Life. Cesis Art School, Cesis, Latvia
2012	We Are Young... . Art Gallery <i>Zīmulis un ota</i> , Riga, Latvia
2011	Tartu Kunstikool 60. Janis Rozentals Riga Art Highschool 65. ES House, Riga, Latvia Bridge. <i>Happy Art Museum</i> , Riga, Latvia Eksperimenta!. Song Festival Grounds, Tallinn, Estonia
2010	How to invent a bicycle?. KIM?, Riga, Latvia
2009	100 Watts. EU House, Riga, Latvia

Art projects and others

2018	My painting "Bridge over Daugava" used as a design for Centennial Lottery, held as part of Latvia's 100th founding anniversary
2017	Second place in TV show "Emerging start in arts"
2014	Light installation, Museum night, Art gallery of Artists' Residence, Kuldiga, Latvia
2013	Sweden Rotary Art Society Scholarship
2012	Curator of exhibition <i>Snobu Tabors</i> , Latvian Artists Union gallery, Riga, Latvia

Latvia Environmental design for project *Film Art Action Party* in Cinevilla, Tukums,

2011 Designer of installation *Bionical Man*, Festival *Staro Riga*, Riga, Latvia
Leonardo da Vinci exchange program in Ancona, Italy

Installation *Rhomb*, Contemporary Art Triennial for School Students
Eksperimenta!, Tallinn, Estonia