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Pavel *Dušek*

B. 1992, Czech Republic

Pavel Dušek (1992) is a Czech artist whose work oscillates between painting, sculpture, and architecture. He was born in Hradec Králové, where he studied at The School of Civil Engineering (2008–2012). He then continued at the Academy of Fine Arts in Prague in the Painting Studio under the guidance of Prof. Michael Rittstein (2012–2018). In 2016, he completed an internship at ISI Yogyakarta in Indonesia, which broadened his perspective on materials and spatial compositions. His work was awarded the Critics' Prize for Young Painting in 2021.

In his work, Dušek combines painting with experimentation with materials such as concrete, steel, ceramics, acrylic, and bronze. The resulting works blur the boundaries between two-dimensional and three-dimensional space and often take the form of reliefs depicting fragments of interiors or architectural structures. He draws inspiration from specific buildings, such as functionalist designs or those associated with the Bauhaus, which he reconstructs through intuitive nostalgia and associations. The main theme of his work is the experience of space, both physical and mental, and its interaction with people.

A significant part of his work consists of interventions in public space. From his high school beginnings with street art, he has moved on to large-scale concrete mosaics and reliefs, which can be found not only in Czech cities, but also in Paris, London, Venice, New York, and Miami. Dušek connects public and private settings, disrupting the stereotypical perception of urban space. His works, set in city streets and galleries, inspire viewers to personal interpretation, raise questions about the relationship between architecture and human experience, and expand the boundaries of traditional painting.

Studies

2008-2012 The School of Civil Engineering, Hradec Králové
2012-2018 Academy of Fine Arts, AVU Praha - Malba III

Internship

2016 ISI Yogyakarta, Seni Lukis, Indonesia

Solo exhibition

2018 Paint n' game, Galerie Prahy 7, Prague, CZE
2019 Pavel Dušek... obr, Café Jericho, Prague, CZE
Živá platforma, Galerie ve věži, Planá u Mariánských Lázní, CZE
PDFK...01, Café Tvaroh, Prague, CZE
2020 Pavel Dušek Art Opening, Orange Bar, Prague, CZE
2021 PDKN21, Galerie Mega, Praha
2022 Betonový obraz, Rabenštejnská galerie, České Budějovice, CZE

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- 2023 In the House, Trafo Gallery, Prague, CZE
In the Basement, Art Space NOV, Pardubice, CZE
Im Samsthaus, CA Contemporary, Vienna, A
- 2024 Gates, Platforma15, Prague, CZE
- 2025 Pavel Dušek, Galerie Krystal, Havířov, CZE
GEKOCHT, C12, Prague, CZE
V pozůstatcích světla, Galerie dole, Ostrava, CZE
Blue depot, PragueHouse, Brussels, B
Pavel Dušek, Vila Volman, CZE
Tělo obrazu, GAP, Znojmo, CZE
Hranice obrazu, Galerie umění Karlovy Vary, CZE

Group exhibition

- 2013 Zimní kompost, studio exhibition, Galerie Artatak, Prague, CZE
- 2014 Těsně vedle, Galerie Josefa Lieslera, Kadaň, CZE
- 2016 Výjezd, Biskupský palác, Hradec Králové, CZE
On Street, Yogyakarta, IDN
- 2017 Wikend, Galerie GAVU, Prague, CZE
Exhibition...01, Spolkový dům, Slavonice, CZE
- 2018 32/36, Kasárny Karlín, Prague, CZE
MAL3, Galerie u sv. Jakuba, Metličany, CZE
/PDŠMKOTZ/, Galerie ART, Prague, CZE
Future Ready, Hybernská 4, Prague, CZE
Jiné místo, AVU, Prague, CZE
- 2019 /ne/sdílené, /s Nikolou Nikolai/, Studio Prám, Prague, CZE
MALBA III, Galerie Vltavín, Galerie Millennium, Prague, CZE
- 2020 RealDreams, Nová síň, Prague, CZE
- 2021 2,5D, Galerie kritiků, Prague, CZE
Skoro sedm statečných, Trafo Gallery, Prague, CZE
- 2022 INSIDE, Hybernská, Prague, CZE
- 2024 Pavel Dušek_Val Vecerka, CA Contemporary, Vienna, AUT
Galerie Miroslava Kubíka – 11. Sympozium Litomyšl 2024, CZE
Shape Shifters, Chemistry Gallery, Prague, CZE
Herbstsalon, FravilArt, Leibzig, DEU
LAAF, ArtAward, Łódź, POL
Homes, ChelseaArtLounge, London, GBR
- 2025 Good Behaviour, FravilArt, Leipzig, DEU

Awards

- 2021 Art Critic Award for Young 2021
2021 ART PRAGUE 2021 Young Award