



COLLECT
GALLERY

SELECTED
SEVDA SEMER
ARTWORKS





SEVDA SEMER

At home, we had the usual for the early 90's Bulgaria rich library of Russian and German albums and biographies of artists. That became my first idea about what art is - something to handle, look at and turn over, go to bed with because you don't want to be separated for the night. Probably because of this I first started working with books - around 2010. Later the drawings in them grew to large scale printing paper (because I couldn't leave behind from the idea of the book, I was buying my supplies from print houses much to their annoyance) and then textiles appeared, and installations, audio, video, performance. Everything remains within the idea of a book in the broadest sense: my work is about text, history, narrative; the unfolding of memory and emotions; and the intimate relationship between art and the viewer in the time they spend together.

Born Sofia, 1990. Graduated the National High School of Ancient Languages and Cultures. Participated in exhibitions and projects in Bulgaria, Canada, Spain and England. After a two year stay in London, now based back in Sofia.

Selected solo exhibitions

2023 Pages of a diary, Charta Gallery, Sofia
2022 Check in 2, Collect Gallery, Istanbul
2020 Two forces that create one another, +359 Gallery, Sofia
2019 Figures - Part II, curated by Daniela Radeva, Contemporary Space Gallery, Varna
2019 Figures - Part I, curated by Daniela Radeva, Credo Bonum Gallery, Sofia
2018 The Things That Didn't Happen, curated by Stefka Tsaneva, Ö space, Sofia
2018 One perfect day, +359 Gallery, Sofia
2017 Recent Paintings, Gallery 2.0, Sofia
2014 Wide Cube performance, 0GMS Gallery, Sofia

Selected group exhibitions

2020 Art without/with the times?, curated by Daniela Radeva and Luchezar Boyadjiev, Sofia city art gallery
2019 Good mirrors are not cheap, curated by Chiara Cartuccia, Goethe Institut
2019 BAZA Award for contemporary art nominees exhibition, curated by Daniela Radeva, Sofia city art gallery
2019 Periods, curatorial project & group exhibition by Ivan Mudov, Institute for contemporary art, Sofia
2018 Alter me Alter you, curated by Clelia Coussonet, Goethe Institut, Sofia
2017 Domus Aurea, participating artist at Voin de Voin's performance, Aether, Sofia
2017 Art start, group exhibition, curated by Vesela Nozharova, Stefka Tsaneva, Daniela Radeva, Goethe Institut, Sofia
2014 Art Book Fair, Vancouver
2014 Public Address, group exhibition, curated by My Name is Scot and Leannej, Red house for culture and debate, Sofia

Selected residencies and internships

2018 Ö space project by Stefka Tsaneva, Sofia
2016/17 Print Internship, Hato Press, London



***A step in the right direction series
#1***

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
80x60cm

3100 EUR + VAT



A step in the right direction series
#2

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
80x60cm

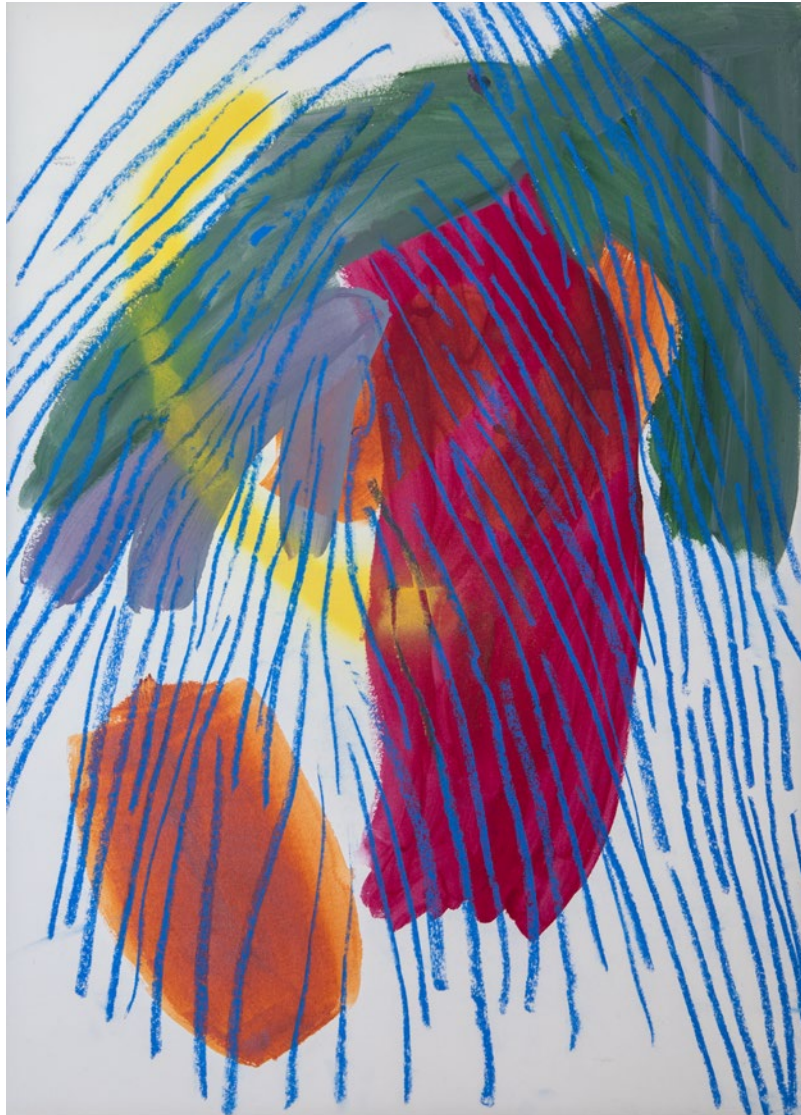
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A step in the right direction series
#11

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
100x70cm

3400 EUR + VAT



***A step in the right direction
#13***

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
80x60 cm

3100 EUR + VAT



A step in the right direction series
#9

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
100x70cm

3400 EUR + VAT



A step in the right direction series
#10

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
100x70cm

3400 EUR + VAT



A step in the right direction series
#3

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
80x60 cm

3100 EUR + VAT



A step in the right direction series
#6

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
80x60 cm

3100 EUR + VAT





Have you been here before body series

#1

Acrylic on textile

2018

80x60cm

cm

4800 EUR + VAT



Have you been here before body series

#2

Acrylic on textile

2018

80x60cm

4800 EUR + VAT



Inspired by Magda

Oil on canvas

2019

65x54 cm

4800 EUR + VAT



FIGURES series
PART 1. 2

acrylic, pencil, industrial paints on textiles
2019
280x150cm

9800 EUR + VAT



FIGURES series
PART 1.1

acrylic, pencil, industrial paints on textiles
2019
150x280 cm

9800 EUR + VAT



A step in the right direction series
#5

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
80x60 cm

3100 EUR + VAT



A step in the right direction series
#8

acrylic paints, pastel, paper on cardboard
2021
100x70 cm

3400 EUR + VAT





Love message
#1

acrylic paints, paper on cardboard
2021
100x70cm

3400 EUR + VAT



Two forces that create one another series

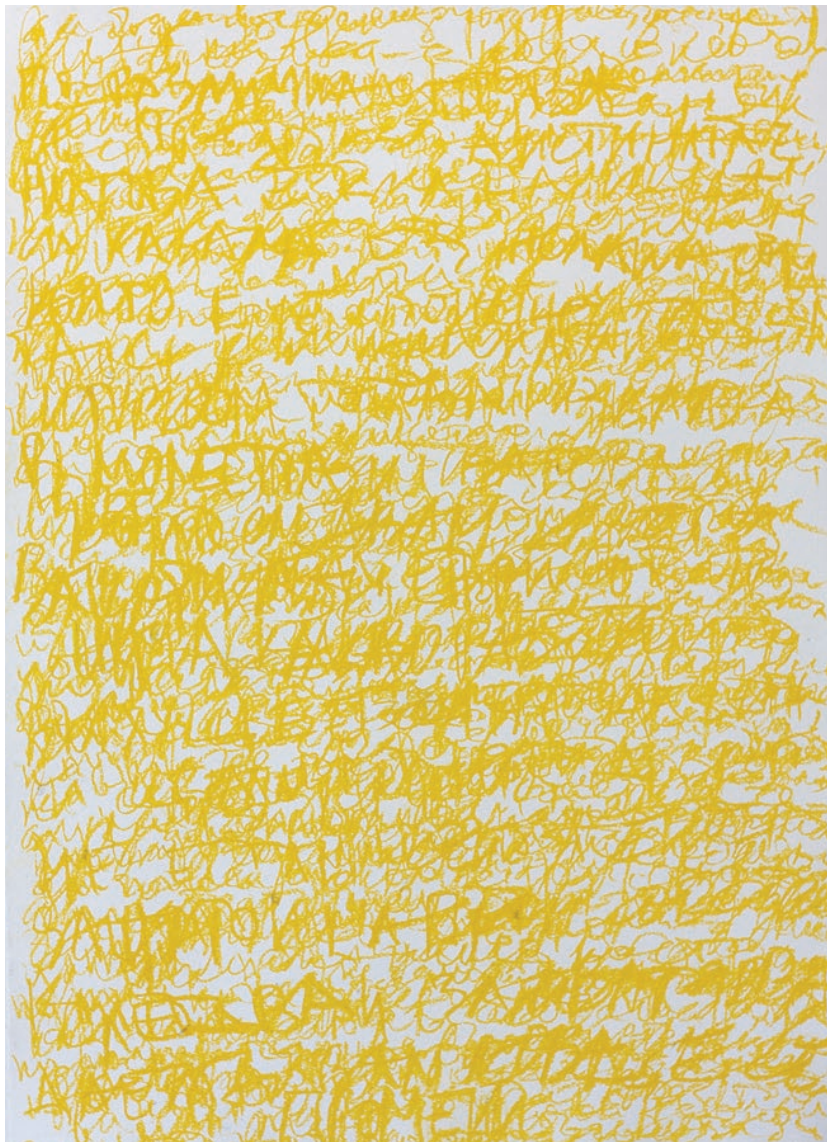
#1

crayon, paper on cardboard

2020

77x57 cm

3200 EUR + VAT



Two forces that create one another series

#3

crayon, paper on cardboard

2020

77x57 cm

3200 EUR + VAT

COLLECT GALLERY

Collect Gallery produces projects that bring together artists, works and ideas that meet the definition of "contemporary" through curatorial selections and practices at its venue in Juma building in Karaköy. It also produces content on an international scale and develops collaborations.

It gives importance to the universal, aesthetic and conceptual integrity of the artists works with, supports their productions and makes them reach large masses.

It supports contemporary art beyond the borders without being tied to a specific place and aims to establish new connections. It aims to contribute and inspire Turkey's contemporary art scene with its uniqueness, scale and different field experiences in exhibition and guides collectors on their art journey with its international and professional team.

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