

CHRISTEN BACH

Christen Bach (b. 1978) is a Danish audio-visual artist currently living in Berlin, Germany.

His personal work mainly focuses on human behavior – often told through experimental or stylistic visuals – using the absurd or the surreal to highlight the emotional content and to put the reality of the themes into perspective.

Bach's artisanship elegantly crosshatches traditional craft and new digital technologies such as Virtual Reality - ofttimes combined in conceptual tableaus or mixed media animation. In 2012 he was rewarded the Danish Animation Guild's "Talent of the year" at the Danish Animation Awards for his experimental short film "the Animation Tag Attack".



His work has been exhibited at the Guggenheim museums in New York, Bilbao, Berlin and Venice as a part of the Youtube/play - and has furthermore been featured in hundreds of festivals and galleries around the world alongside artists like Takashi Murikami, Jeff Koons, Yoko Ono, Friends Like You & Kaws...

Awards (selection)

Winner - SIFF EXPLORE 2023 Shanghai International Film Festival

Talent of the Year2012 Danish Animation Awards

Pitch award: Annect intl. Film Festival Award

Goodbye Good Heart
2019 Ninoko Universe Accelerator, Viborg, Denmark

The Golden Mikeldi for best Animation 2012 Zinebi Int'l film festival, Bilbao

Winner of the Guggenheim Biennale

2010 Youtube/Play @ Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York; Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Venice, Italy; Guggenheim Museum, Bilbao, Spain; Deutsche Guggenheim, Berlin, Germany

Tokyo Anime Award 2013 Tokyo Anime Fair

Notable Projects (selection)

• 2023 : **John Dillermand**, director season 2 Made by Us / TV-series

• 2012 : Initiator/Curator & Director of **The Animation Tag Attack** (winner of the ANIS Talent award) RocknRoll Animation / Short - 100+ Festivals

• 2012 : VFX supervisor on Anders Morgenthalers "I am here" (Feature film starring Kim Basinger) Zentropa, One Two Films / Kino

• 2010 : **Bear Untitled**, writer/director - (winner of the Guggenheim Biennale, youtube/play) RocknRoll Animation / Short - 37 Festivals and 23 exhibitions.

 2005 : Compositor/animator/designer on RostoAD's, Jona/Tomberry

 (winner of Canal+ Grand prix, Cannes)
 Rocketta Film, Studio RostoAD / Kurzfilm



CHRISTEN BACH RESUME - APRIL 2023

Education

2023 : Unreal Engine Animation Training 2023

2019 : Ninoko Universe Accelerator- Residency Viborg

2014 : Berlinale Talent Campus

2002-2005: Major in animation at Odense College of Fashion, Arts and Design (w. honours)

2003-2004: 6 months intensive course in 3d Studio Max at Aarhus University

1999-2002: Apprentice as ArtDirector at B10-marketing

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2012-2016: Researcher and digital art expert on the French TV art program; L'oeil de Links, Canal+

Filmography (Writer/Director) - selection

Current: Goodbye Good Heart (RnR Animation)- Feature Film Development 2023: The Great Connection - Animated Short - currently at the festival circuit 2022: Director: John Dillermand Season 2 - TV series 2021: "Where do they come from? – And where do they go?" - Animated Short - Participated in 26 festivals. 2017: Upp&Ner (Snowcloud Films)- Feature Film Development 2013: Deborah- Animated Short 2012: The Animation Tag Attack – Animated Short - Participated in 100+ festivals and exhibitions. 2011: Intel Visual Life: the RnR Animator – Biography 2011: 10 past 911 – Animated Short (Canal+) 2010: Bear Untitled D.O. Edit – Animated Short - Participated in 37 festivals and 23 exhibitions. 2009: Interview with Johnny Velour – Liveaction/CGI short 2006: Christen Bach's Spiders – Animated Series for TV (Danmarks Radio) 2004: Wearing a bigger body – Animated promo clip

+ a wide range of commercials, viral spots, music videos, tv-intros, graphics, Illustrations etc.

Filmography (VFX supervisor / Compositor) - selection

2022: Christian Lo's "MINI-ZLATAN & UNCLE DARLING" – Snowcloud Films (VFX-sup.- Feature)
2022: Jacob Bak Ley's "John Dillermand Season 1" – Made by Us (Tech. Sup + Animation director - Series)
2016: Jacob Bak Ley's "Den Magiske Juleæske" – Copenhagen Bombay (Comp.- Feature)
2013: Anders Morgenthaler's "The 11th Hour" – Zentropa/One Two Films (VFX-sup.- Feature)
2012: Der Kleine Raabe Socke- Pixomondo Berlin (Comp.- Feature)
2011: Karla von Bengtson's "Tigers and Tattoos" – Copenhagen Bombay (Lead comp.- Feature)
2010: Helena Frank's "Heavy Heads" (Lead comp.- Short)
2009: Anders Morgenthaler's "Æblet & Ormen" – Copenhagen Bombay (Lead comp.- Feature)
2008: Cav Bøgelund's "For Stor" – the Danish National Filmschool (Lead comp.- Short)
2006: Cav Bøgelund's "Lucky Strike" – the Danish National Filmschool (Lead comp.- Short)
2004: Rosto's "Jona/Tomberry"; Studio RostoAD (Comp./anim./design- Short)

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Lectures (Selection - 2010-?)

2020-23: Animation Bootcamp - Visuel HF, Viborg - Vibort Animation Film Festival
2023: Crash Course Quill - Introduction to modeling and animation in VR
2018: Creative Development - with the focus on forms and sketches
2017: No Budget Animation (YEAH) - Lecture series on the mindset of low-budget animation.
2012-?: My Greatest Failures – or how I based my career on experiments and other peoples work.
2012-13: Teaching Classical animation at Odense Designakademy
2011: Technology Vs Creativity - inspirational lecture for Intel Las Vegas

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