

# Capitain Petzel

## LEYLA YENIRCE

Born 1992 in Qubîn, Kurdistan  
Lives and works in Berlin, Germany

## EDUCATION

2016 – 2022 Academy of Fine Arts, Hamburg, Germany  
2013 – 2014 Bryn Mawr College, PA  
2011 – 2015 Hafencity University, Hamburg, Germany

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2026 *Leyla Yenirce. Werdegang*, Landesmuseum Oldenburg, Germany (Upcoming)  
ICAT - Institute for Contemporary Art & Transfer at HFBK Hamburg, Germany (Upcoming)  
2025 Galerie Gisela Capitain, Cologne, Germany  
2024 *Splitter*, Kunstmuseum Kloster Unser Lieben Frauen Magdeburg, Germany  
*Eye Level*, Petzel, New York, NY  
*Fountain*, Neue Kunst im Hamburg, Sfeir-Semler Gallery, Hamburg, Germany  
2023 *Ich krieg Geschwindigkeit*, Capitain Petzel, Berlin, Germany  
*Splitter*, Schiefe Zähne, Berlin, Germany  
2022 *SO MUCH ENERGY*, Kunsthaus Hamburg, Germany

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025 *damit das Geräusch des Krieges nachlässt, sein Gedröhn*, NS-Dokumentationszentrum, Munich, Germany  
*A Hidden Well*, n.b.k., Berlin, Germany  
2024 *IN WITH THE NEW*, Deichtorhallen. Sammlung Falkenberg, Hamburg, Germany  
*Grow it! Show it! A look at hair from Diana Arbus to TikTok*, Museum Folkwang, Essen, Germany  
*Path Widens: Leyla Yenirce*, Kunsthalle Münster, Germany  
2023 *Video Digest by Videonale and IMAI – Inter Media Art Institute*, Molkerei Werkstatt, Cologne, Germany  
Gallery Weekend Festival, Studio Mondial, Berlin, Germany  
*Holy. Energy. Masters. ars viva 2023*, Haus der Kunst, Munich, Germany  
*TARGET GROUP SHOW*, Braunsfelder, Cologne, Germany  
*Looking for a New Foundation*, Galerie für Zeitgenössische Kunst, Leipzig, Germany  
2022 ICAT - Institute for Contemporary Art & Transfer at the HFBK Hamburg, Germany  
*ars viva 2023*, Goethe Institut, Paris, France  
*The State I Am In*, Capitain Petzel, Berlin, Germany  
*Helbest*, Composition and Soundinstallation for Deutschlandfunk Kultur at the Center for Immersive Media Art, Music and Technology, ZIMMT, Leipzig, Germany  
2021 *Federal Prize for Art Students*, Bundeskunsthalle Bonn, Germany  
*Herbstausstellung*, Kunstverein Hannover, Germany  
2019 *Hi Ventilation*, Kunstverein Harburger Bahnhof, Hamburg, Germany  
*There Is No Time Here Not Anymore*, Noisexistance Festival at Kampnagel Center of the Performing Arts, Hamburg, Germany  
2017 *The Xmas Show*, Gallery of the Academy of Fine Arts, Hamburg, Germany  
2012 *Essays*, Gallery Raum Linksrechts, Hamburg, Germany

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## PERFORMANCES

- 2025 *Leyla Yenirce, Mazlum Nergiz: Troubadour 2*, Wiener Secession, Vienna, Austria (Upcoming)  
*Troubadour*, Basel Social Club, Switzerland
- 2024 *Landschaften, die schöner nicht sein könnten*, Klosterruine, Berlin, Germany  
*A Piece of the Storm*, Elbphilharmonie Hamburg, Germany
- 2023 *Code*, Sophiensæle, Berlin, Germany  
*Göttin sein*, Gallery Weekend Festival, Studio Mondial, Berlin, Germany  
Haus der Kunst, Munich, Germany  
Gallery Weekend Berlin, Surprise Club, Germany
- 2022 *Dekade*, Halle für Kunst, Lüneburg, Germany  
*Wunder/DNA*, Kaserne Basel, Switzerland  
*The letters of Rosemary & Bernadette Mayer*, Performance at the exhibition of Rosemary Mayer, Lenbachhaus Munich, Germany  
*1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8*, Capitain Petzel, Berlin, Germany
- 2021 *Carbon*, Performance at the Berliner Festspiele, ICC Berlin, Germany  
*Wunder/DNA*, Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin, Germany
- 2020 *A Silent Place*, Click Festival, Helsingør, Denmark  
*Horizontal Darkness in Search of Solidarity*, Performance at the exhibition of Oscar Murillo, Kunstverein Hamburg, Germany
- 2019 *A cause so heavy*, Pop-Kultur Festival Berlin, Germany
- 2018 *Tour de Madame - Cold Chills*, Performance at the exhibition of Jutta Koether, Münchner Kammerspiele, Germany

## SCREENINGS

- 2026 *Being Strong is Hard*, Iniva (Institute of International Visual Arts), London, UK
- 2025 *Being Strong is Hard*, 41. Kurzfilm Festival Hamburg, Germany
- 2024 *Being Strong is Hard*, International Film Festival Rotterdam, The Netherlands
- 2020 *Paradise*, Kurdisch Filmfestival, Berlin, Germany
- 2014 *The Dancer*, Tri-Co Film Festival, Bryn Mawr Film Institute, PA

## MUSIC LPS / EPS / SINGLES / COMPOSITIONS FOR RADIO

- 2024 *Souvenirs*, 12inch LP, Petzel, New York, NY
- 2021 *DNA*, 12inch LP, Pudel Produkte  
*Reinigungskraft*, Deutschlandfunk Kultur, Berlin, Germany
- 2020 *Efia*, 12inch LP, Pudel Produkte  
*Bakur*, Cassette LP, Neoprimitive  
*Matrix*, Live-Art Festival, Kampnagel, Hamburg, Germany
- 2019 *Ava*, digital release LP, Xquisite Releases  
*Nadia's Escape*, Cassette LP, Neoprimitive
- 2018 *Keseb*, 6inch Split Single, Neoprimitive

## PRIZES

- 2026 Finkenwerder Grant, Kulturkreis Finkenwerder e.V. and HFBK, Hamburg, Germany
- 2024 Kunstpreis Berlin, Akademie der Künste Berlin, Germany
- 2022 ars viva Prize 2023, Kulturkreis der deutschen Wirtschaft, Berlin, Germany
- 2021 Exhibition- und Catalog Prize 2022, Alfried Krupp von Bohlen and Halbach-Stiftung, Essen, Germany  
Federal Prize for Art Students, Bundeskunsthalle Bonn, Germany

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Playground Art Prize, Nuremberg, Germany  
2020 Karl H. Ditze Art Prize, Hamburg, Germany  
2019 Music Prize of the City of Hamburg, Germany

## STIPENDS / RESIDENCIES

2023 Art Explora – Cité internationale des arts residency program, Paris, France  
2022 Travel stipend, Neue Kunst in Hamburg e.V., Germany  
2019 Project stipend, Freundeskreis of the HfBK Hamburg, Germany  
2013 Exchange study fellowship, Bryn Mawr College, PA  
2012 Scholarship holder of the Heinrich-Böll-Foundation, Berlin, Germany  
2011 Travel stipend by the Zis - Stiftung für Studienreisen, Salem, Germany

## PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Mudam, Luxembourg  
Kistefos Museum, Jevnaker, Norway  
Kunstmuseum Magdeburg, Germany  
Detroit Institute of Arts Museum, MI