

DEFNE TESAL

1985 Istanbul, Turkey

Lives and works in Istanbul, Turkey. Graduated from Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University with a BA degree in Stage and Costume Design in 2010 and completed her MA degree at St. Joost School of Art & Design in the Netherlands in 2019.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023** Talking With Water, PİLEVNELİ, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2021** Hesitation, PİLEVNELİ, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2016** Interval, Gallery Zilberman Project Space, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2015** Cocoon, Gallery-5, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2013** Window Seat, Gallery Artist Çukurcuma, Beyoğlu, Istanbul, Turkey

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023** As if in a Dream, duo exhibition Curator: Derya Yücel Nazım Hikmet Kültürevi, Bursa, Turkey
- 2022** *Rounded by Sleep*, Curator: Eda Berkmen, ARTER, Istanbul, Turkey
I am Nobody. Are You Nobody Too?, Curator: Selen Ansen, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2021** *Ambiguous*, Curator: Derya Yücel, participated as Dream News, Vision Art Platform, Istanbul, Turkey
Shot Free – Mecmu, Barın Han, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2020** Mor Çatı, Art solidarity online group exhibition, Turkey, online
- 2019** Jong Talent, Den Bosch, Netherlands
Shot Free 5, Tophane-i Amire, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2018** Moment of Trust, Tenthaus Artist Collective, Oslo Club Solo, Breda, Netherlands
What Do We Dance For?, Gallery Nectar, Tbilisi, Georgia
There is another possibility: about open space and artist collectives, participated as HAH collective, Kasa Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
Sketch State, Gallery-5, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2017** Maybe, we will benefit from our neighbours good fortune, participated as HAH collective,

Curator: Işıl Eğrikavuk, Halka Art Project, Istanbul, Turkey
Vesile, HAH collective, HAHmekan, Istanbul, Turkey

- 2016** Keeping The Trace, with Murat Yıldız, KulttuuriKauppila Art Center, Finland
Collective Memory (the past and future is ours), New York City, USA and Glasgow,
Scotland
Istanbul Rotary Art Competition, Elgiz Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2015** SVA Summer Residency open studio exhibition, New York City, USA
- 2014** Interception, International Textile Artists, Gallery-5, Istanbul, Turkey

SELECTED PERFORMANCES AND PROJECTS

2019 – 2023

"Dream News" publication series, in collaboration with Murat Yıldız.

2021 "Supposition" video performance, in collaboration with Ahu Akgün

2019 16. Istanbul Biennial, participated as HAH collective, Public program

2019 "Momentum" performance, in collaboration with Ying Liu, Netherlands

2018 "Meeting" participatory installation. Master Institute of Visual Cultures, AKV St.Joost, Den Bosch, The Netherlands

2018 "Transition" video screening program / Eye Research Lab, Eye Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2010 Traitor Wolf, short stop-motion animation, 13'52", in collaboration with Murat Yıldız

2010 A Tale, short stop-motion animation, 4'31"

PUBLICATIONS

2021 Hesitation, Artist book, PİLEVNELİ publication

2020 words 2016, words 2017, words 2018, words 2019, Artist book series, self-publication

- 2019** Distractions turning into Landscapes, self-publication
- 2018** HAHcalendar, HAH collective calendar, Art Unlimited publication
- 2017** Vesile exhibition catalogue, HAH publication

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1985 İstanbul, Türkiye
İstanbul, Türkiye’de yaşamakta ve çalışmakta. 2010’da Mimar Sinan Güzel Sanatlar Üniversitesi Güzel Sanatlar Fakültesi’nin Sahne Dekorları ve Kostümü Bölümü’nde lisansını, 2019’da Hollanda’da St. Joost School of Art & Design’da yüksek lisansını tamamladı.

KİŞİSEL SERGİLER

- 2023** Suyla Konuşmak, PİLEVNELİ, İstanbul, Turkey
2021 Tereddüt, PİLEVNELİ, İstanbul, Turkey
2016 Aralık, Gallery Zilberman Project Space, İstanbul, Türkiye
2015 Koza, Gallery-5, İstanbul, Türkiye
2013 Cam Kenarı, Gallery Artist Çukurcuma, İstanbul, Türkiye

GRUP SERGİLERİ

- 2023** Böyle Rüyadaymış Gibi, ikili sergi, Küratör: Derya Yücel Nazım Hikmet Kültürevi, Bursa, Türkiye
2022 Koyun Koyuna, Küratör: Eda Berkmen, ARTER, İstanbul, Türkiye
Ben Kimse. Sen de mi Kimsesin?, Küratör: Selen Ansen, Meşher, [İstanbul](#), Türkiye
2021 *Muğlak*, Küratör: Derya Yücel, Dream News olarak katılım, Vision Art Platform, İstanbul, Turkey
2020 Atış Serbest – Mecmu, Barın Han, İstanbul, Türkiye
Mor Çatı, Sanat dayanışması grup sergisi, Türkiye, çevrimiçi
2019 Jong Talent, Den Bosch, Hollanda
Atış Serbest 5, Tophane-i Amire, İstanbul, Türkiye
2018 Moment of Trust Project of Tenthaus Artist Collective (Oslo) Club Solo, Breda, Hollanda
What Do We Dance For?, Gallery Nectar, Tiflis, Gürcistan
There is another possibility: about open space and artist collectives, HAH collective olarak katılım, Kasa Gallery, İstanbul, Türkiye
Sketch State, Gallery-5, İstanbul, Türkiye
2017 Komşuda Pişer Bize de Düşer, HAH collective, Küratör: Işıl Eğrikavuk, Halka Art Project, İstanbul, Türkiye
Vesile sergisi, HAH collective, HAHmekan, İstanbul, Türkiye

- 2016** Keeping The Trace, Murat Yıldız ile duo sergi, KulttuuriKauppila Art Center, Finlandiya - - Collective Memory (the past and future is ours), New York City, ABD ve Glasgow, İskoçya
Istanbul Rotary Sanat Yarışması, Elgiz Müzesi, İstanbul, Türkiye
- 2015** SVA Summer Residency, açık stüdyo sergisi, New York City, Amerika Birleşik Devletleri
- 2014** Interception, International Textile Artists, Gallery-5, İstanbul, Türkiye

SEÇİLMİŞ PERFORMANSLAR VE PROJELER

2019 – 2023

"Dream News" basılı yayın serisi, Murat Yıldız ile kolaborasiyon.

2021 "Sanı" video performans, Ahu Akgün ile kolaborasiyon.

2019 16. Istanbul Biennial, HAH kolektif ile katılım, Public program

2019 "Momentum" performans, Ying Liu ile kolaborasiyon, Hollanda

2018 "Toplantı" izleyici katılımlı enstelasyon. Master Institute of Visual Cultures, AKV St.Joost, Den Bosch, The Netherlands

2018 "Transition" video gösterim programı / Eye Research Lab, Eye Museum, Amsterdam, Hollanda

2010 Hain Kurt, stop motion animasyon, 13'52", Murat Yıldız ile kolaborasiyon

2010 Bir Masal, stop-motion animasyon filmi, 4'31"

YAYIMLAR

2021 Tereddüt, sanatçı kitabı, PİLEVNELİ basımı

2020 words 2016, words 2017, words 2018, words 2019, sanatçı kitabı serisi, kendi basımı

2019 Distractions turning into Landscapes, kendi basımı

2018 HAHcalendar, HAH kolektifi takvim basımı, Art Unlimited basımı

2017 Vesile sergi kataloğu, HAH basımı