

**Augustin Rebetez** (°1986, Switzerland) works in various media including painting, photography, video, sculpture, installations and mobiles. In a short period of time Rebetez has developed a rich and strong oeuvre, expressing his vivid inner poetry through dynamic forms and media. His work represents a personal, surreal universe that offers a stage to mysterious, tragicomical characters and bizarre situations. Masked figures and animal-like creatures are the theatrical performers in a continuous narrative that is energetic, dark, humorous and loaded with symbolism and subconscious references. Drawing inspiration from outsider and folk art brut as well as tribal design, Rebetez constructs a multifaceted body of work that defies categorisation. Rebetez's work seems to form part of an ancient tradition of legends and rites. His creations relate to a wondrous and fantastic world which swings between dream and nightmare, the lighthearted and the serious. A modern alchemist, Rebetez plays with movement and sound, transforming banal reality into poetic fiction.

#### Awards

Special Jury Mention, Video Art Festival «Now&After», Moscow 2016  
 Grand Prix international de la Photographie de Vevey 2013  
 Foam Talent 2013  
 EWZ Swiss Photo Award 2012  
 Preis Kiefer Hablitzel 2012  
 Selected for Plat(t)form 2012 by Fotomuseum Winterthur (CH) 2011  
 Laureate of Photo Folio Review, Rencontres d'Arles 2010  
 Selected for Regeneration2 by Musée de l'Elysée, Lausanne (CH) 2010

#### Selected Solo Exhibitions

La Kantina, Théâtre de Vidy, Lausanne (CH) 2017  
 KissTheDesign, Lausanne (CH) 2017  
 Musée Carton, Plateforme10, Palais de Rumine, Nuit des Musées, Lausanne (CH) 2017  
 Arrière-tête (mécanismes), Stieglitz19, Antwerpen (B) 2017  
 The Loudspeakers Convention, Nidwaldner Museum, Stans (CH) with Laurent Güdel 2017  
 Musée Carton, Plateforme10, Rencontres d'Arles, Arles (FR) 2016  
 Colloque des Oiseaux, MBAL, Musée des Beaux-Arts du Locle, Le Locle (CH) 2016  
 Arrière-tête (mécanismes), Galerie Feldbuschwiesner, ParisPhoto, Paris (FR) 2016  
 Despots with Photoshop, Galerie Nicola von Senger, Zürich (CH) 2016  
 Musée Carton, Plateforme10, ArtGenève, Geneva (CH) 2016  
 Atelier Général, Ferme-Asile, Sion (CH) with all star crew  
 Arrière-tête (mécanismes), KKKC Exhibition Hall, Klaipeda (LTU) 2016  
 Factory behind your brain, Centre Clark, Montréal (CA) with crew 2015  
 Exposition Féline, Atelier d'Estienne, Lorient (FR) with Noé Cauderay 2015  
 Avant le déluge, Kissthesdesign, Lausanne (CH) 2015  
 Post-epileptic vids and krautshots, La Rada, Locarno (CH) 2015  
 Arrière-tête (mécanismes), Galerie Feldbuschwiesner, Berlin (DE) 2015  
 RAW WAR ARW WRA, Grand Palais, Berne (CH) with Giona Bierens de Haan 2015  
 Lokal-Int, Bienne (CH) 2015  
 Arrière-tête (mécanismes), Galerie Nicola von Senger, Zürich (CH) 2015  
 Arrière-tête (mécanismes), Festival Images, Vevey (CH) 2014  
 Unseen, Galerie Nicola von Senger, Amsterdam (NL) 2014  
 Anthill (Meteorites), Galerie RVB Books, Paris (FR) 2014  
 Meteorite, Edinburgh Art Festival, Edinburgh (UK) with Giona Bierens de Haan 2014  
 Kunst Museum Thun (CH) 2014  
 Centre Culturel Suisse, Paris (FR) 2014  
 Zona Maco, Galerie Nicola von Senger, Mexico City (MEX) 2014  
 Photo Biennale, Thessaloniki (GR) 2014

Athens Photo Festival, Athens (GR) 2013  
Univers (part 3), Villa Bernasconi, Genève (CH) with crew 2013  
Nuit des Images, Musée de l'Elysée, Lausanne (CH) with all star crew 2013  
If your dreams trickle down your umbrella then it is nice weather, Art & Design Gallery,  
Hertfordshire (UK) 2013  
Kiss The Design Gallery, Lausanne (CH) 2013  
Ici vous allez trouver ce que nous cherchons, Centre Dürrenmatt, Neuchâtel (CH) with Noé  
Cauderay, Giona Bierens, de Haan 2013  
Festival Les Urbaines, Espace Arlaud, Lausanne (CH) with Noé Cauderay 2012  
Galerie Nicola von Senger, Kurant, Tromsø (NO) 2012  
Arsenal, Delémont (CH) 2012  
Espace Noir, Saint-Imier (CH) 2012  
Musée de l'Elysée, Lausanne (CH) 2009  
Photoforum PasquArt, Biel (CH) 2009  
SAS, Delémont (CH) 2009  
Espace Exit, Cheseaux (CH) 2008  
Strates photographies, Lausanne (CH) 2008

#### **Theatre**

2015 Rentrer au volcan, Théâtre de Vidy, Lausanne (CH)  
Books  
Les Bois perdus, with José Gsell, autoproduction 2017  
Alphabet, autoproduction 2016  
Despots with Photoshop, RVB Books (FR) 2016  
Katalog, Feldbuschwiesner, Berlin 2015  
Katalog, Kunstmuseum Thun 2015  
Arrière-tête (textes), autoproduction 2014  
Anthill (Meteorites), RVB Books (FR) 2014  
Amour liquide (fuel), Editions D'autre Part (CH) 2013  
Collection Cahier d'Artiste, Pro Helvetia (CH) 2013  
Un Arbre à chaque bras, Centre Dürrenmatt Neuchâtel & Editions D'Autre Part (CH) 2013

#### **Music**

GÄNGSTGÄNG, Grappa Guerilla, autoproduction 2016  
EP 10" Cantor (with Adil Coralic) Hummus Records, La Chaux-de-Fonds (CH) 2014

## Selected Group Exhibitions

- Present(s), StadtGalerie, Bern (CH) 2017
- Night, Road House, Doll House, Johannesburg (SA) 2017
- Power Mask :Walter Van Beirendonck, Wereldmuseum, Rotterdam (N) 2017
- In Between, Feldbuschwiesnerrudolph Galerie, Berlin (DE) 2017
- Artijuli Festival, Krakeslottet (NO) 2017
- Flashback'17, Now&After Festival, CCI FABRIKA, Moscow (RU) 2017
- Les Nuits Photographiques, Institut Français, Madrid (E) 2017
- Now & After, TK Storehouse, National center for contemporary arts, Samara (RU) 2017
- Summer Exhibition, Espace Noir, St-Imier (CH) 2017
- Pepper House Residency Show, Kochi Biennale (IN) 2016
- Zklad, Sukhumi (ABK) 2016
- Ordinary, KK Outlet, London (EN) 2016
- Athens Photo Festival, Benaki Museum (GR) 2016
- Prière de Toucher, Tinguely Museum, Basel (CH) 2016
- Traversées du Marais, Centre Culturel Suisse, Paris (FR) 2016
- Mdm, Galerie C, Neuchâtel (CH) 2016
- Meet the Publisher, Tiff, Wroclaw, (P) 2016
- Now&After, The State Darwin Museum, Moscow (RU) 2016
- Now&After, TEA, Espacio Enter Festival, Canarias (ES) 2016
- BIP, Biennale de l'Image Possible, Liège (BE) 2016
- Mykologismus, Neues Museum Biel, Biel (CH) 2016
- Totentanz, StadtGalerie, Bern (CH) 2016
- Charles, Insitu, Berlin (DE) 2016
- Dreams and Nightmares, Cell63 Gallery, Berlin (DE) 2016
- Inhabitations, Aargauer Kunsthhaus, Aarau (CH) 2015
- Le livre de photographie et ses auteurs, Bibliothèque Nationale Suisse, Berne (CH) 2015
- The Devil May Care, Noorderlicht Gallery, Groningen (NL) 2015
- Room with a view, Feldbuschwiesner, Berlin (DE) 2015
- Festival Actoral, La Friche la Belle de Mai, Marseilles (FR) 2015
- Come, little friend, Kulturstiftung Schloss, Agathenburg (DE) 2015
- Photo Junctions with LagosPhoto, Abuja (NIG) 2015
- Clusters, Sonnenstube, Lugano (CH) 2015
- Arte Linard, Lavin (CH) 2015
- You Imagine what you desire, 19th Biennale of Sydney (AU) 2014
- Seoul Lunar Photo Festival, Seoul (SK) 2014
- Lagos Photo Festival, Lagos (NIG) 2014
- Aus der Tiefe..., Haus für Kunst, Uri (CH) 2014
- Hordes & Nuées, Festival Images, CEPV, Vevey (CH) 2014
- Espace urbain, Musée d'Art de Joliette (CA) 2014
- Histoires, Pavillon du Carré de Baudouin, Nuits Photographiques, Paris (FR) 2014
- Regeneration2, Landskrona Museum, Landskrona (SE) 2014
- Regeneration2, Museum of Fine Arts, Yekaterinburg (RU) 2014
- Rotor, Zürcher Theater Spektakel, Zürich (CH) 2014
- Recent Acquisitions, University of Hertfordshire Art Collection, Museum of St Albans (UK) 2014
- Balades avec le Minotaure, Centre Dürrenmatt, Neuchâtel (CH) 2013
- Der Turm und urbane Giganten in der Skulptur, Städtische Museen Heilbronn (DE) 2013
- United Art Fair, New Delhi (India) 2013
- Foam Talents 2013, Rosphoto, St. Petersburg (RU) 2013
- Foam Talents 2013, Unseen Int'l Photo Fair, Amsterdam (NL) 2013
- Foam Talents 2013, Mercatorplein, Amsterdam (NL) 2013
- Night Contact, London (UK) 2013
- Regeneration2, Rosphoto, St. Petersburg (RU) 2013
- Regeneration2, Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland (USA) 2013
- Regeneration2, Center for Contemporary Art, Winston-Salem, NC (USA) 2013
- Regeneration2, Devos Art Museum, Marquette, Michigan (USA) 2013
- Jour de Fête, Miden Arts Festival, Kalamata (GRC) 2013
- Babel, Kunst Museum, Olten (CH) 2013
- Nature ?, Kunsthaus Palazzo, Liestal (CH) 2013
- Maison, Juraplatz, Bienne (CH) 2013
- Equus, La Nef, Le Noirmont (CH) 2013
- Post Tenebras Lux, Galerie Nicola von Senger, Zurich (CH) 2012
- The Youth Code, Photo Biennale, Daegu (SK) 2012
- Discours Général, Alpineum Galerie, Luzern (CH) 2012
- Drôles de gens, Musée des Arts de Moutier, (CH) 2012
- Unter 30, Kunsthaus Glarus, Glarus (CH) 2012
- Grid Festival, Amsterdam (NL) 2012
- Swiss Art Award, Basel (CH) 2012
- Swiss Photo Award, Zürich (CH) 2012
- Festival Circulations, Paris (FR) 2012
- Social Body, Palazzo Ducale, Genova (IT) 2012
- Winter World, Aargauer Kunsthhaus, Aarau (CH) 2011
- Prix Photo 2011, Kornhaus Forum, Bern (CH) 2011
- Jungkunst, City Halle, Winterthur (CH) 2011
- Espace Temporaire, Geneva (CH) 2011
- Jour de Fête, The Private Space, Barcelona (E) 2011
- Galerie FNAC, Paris, Lyon, Toulon, Nice (FR) 2011
- After Dark, La Filature, Mulhouse (FR) 2011

Regeneration2, Centro de las Artes, Monterrey (MX) 2011  
Regeneration2, Rencontres Internationales de la Photo de Fès, (MA) 2011  
Regeneration2, Caochangdi PhotoSpring Festival Beijing (CN) 2011  
Regeneration2, Galerie Azzedine Alaïa, Paris (CH) 2011  
Regeneration2, Aperture Foundation, New York (USA) 2011  
Lust und Laster, Kunstmuseum & Zentrum Paul Klee, Bern (CH) 2010  
Festival Images10, Ex-EPA, Vevey (CH) 2010  
ARTUNGI!, L'Esplanade, La Chaux-de-Fonds (CH) 2010  
Regeneration2, Centre Gallery, Miami Dade Collection, Miami (USA) 2010  
Regeneration2, DC Foto Week, Washington DC (USA) 2010  
Regeneration2, Galleria Carla Sozzani, Milano (IT) 2010

Regeneration2, Flash Forward Festival, Toronto (CA) 2010  
Regeneration2, Pingyao International Photography Festival, Pingyao (CN) 2010  
Regeneration2, Michaelis School of Fine Art, Cape Town (ZA) 2010  
Regeneration2, Rencontres d'Arles, Arles (FR) 2010  
Regeneration2, Musée de l'Élysée, Lausanne (CH) 2010  
THE CITY OF BIEL PROUDLY PRESENTS 2, Centre PasquArt, Biel (CH) 2010  
Eden Roc, Musée de Bagnes, Bagnes (CH) 2010  
Weihnachtsausstellung, Photoforum, Biel (CH) 2009  
Creator/Curator, HungryMan Gallery, Chicago (USA) 2009  
Promenades photographiques, Vendôme (FR) 2009  
Le Pantographe, Moutier (CH) 2009