

## NATALIA SAURIN

Natalia is a photographer and video artist. Born in Buenos Aires, she graduated in Architecture from the Politecnico di Milano and now lives and works in Milan. Her quest is to discover how myth and everyday life are interconnected, through symbols, legends and daily experiences. She has always been interested in classical and religious iconography, in recent years dedicating her research to the relationship between the body and the sacred.

In 2018 the book "Natalia Saurin, between myth and everyday life" has been published by Moondi editori, the first monograph of the editorial series Art. Since 2000 her work has been displayed in numerous exhibitions in Italy and abroad. In 2010, she won first prize at the Renaissance Arts Prize (London) in the category of Video Art. She has also participated in several Artist in residence projects, among which she was invited to the American Camargo Foundation in Cassis (France) in 2011 to work on the "Les trois M" project, in which she traced the steps of the three Maries. In 2014 she was invited to Catania for the project "My little house" during which she realized a project entitled "The Two Mothers" where personal and city history intertwined.

She is represented by Visualcontainer, a video art distributor based at [.BOX] Videoart Project space in Milan; the videos has been screened at festivals such as VideA, Visionaria, Fiaticorti, Giffoni and Optica (Spain, Argentina, Bolivia, France). Her artistic activity is accompanied by work related to communication and advertising.

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### EDUCATION

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- 1997-2002 Degree in Architecture, Polytechnic of Milano, Italy
- 1999-2000 Fine Arts, Erasmus Exchange, Salamanca , Spain
- 2000-2002 University of Image, scholarship Industria, Milano, Italy
- 2000 Toscana Photography Workshop, with Amy Arbus, San Quirico d'Orcia, Italy

### ARTIST IN RESIDENCE, STIPENDS AND AWARDS

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- 2014** My Little House, Artist in residence, project by Fulvio Ravagnani, curated by Balloon Project, Catania, Italy
- 2011** The Camargo Foundation, Artist in residence / stipend, Cassis, France
- 2010** Künstlerdorf Schöppingen Foundation, Artist in residence / stipend, Schöppingen, Germany
- 2010** Renaissance Arts Prize, first prize in videoart category, Italian Cultural Institute, London, England
- 2010** ForMe, video workshop with grant by GAI Association for Young Italian Artist Circuit and Italia Creativa, Messina, Italy
- 2009** Salerno Creativa, Artist in residence with grant, GAI Association for Young Italian Artist Circuit and Italia Creativa, Salerno, Italy
- 2008** Laguna Art Prize, award, Venice, Italy
- 2008** Production grant, Le Maetlè, Alsace, France
- 2001** Scholarship by Fondazione Industria, Milano, Italy
- 2000** Toscana Photography Workshop, scholarship by Zone Attive, Roma, Italy

### VISITING ARTIST AND TEACHING EXPERIENCES

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- 2019** Book presentation, "Natalia Saurin, between myth and everyday life", Museo MACRO, Roma  
Bologna University Art Department, Aula Magna, Bologna  
Piazza Ducale inside the Art Bus "Taglio" by Natalia Saurin, Vigevano
- 2018** Book presentation, "Natalia Saurin, between myth and everyday life", book edited by Moondi Edizioni and curated by Balloon Art Project, (Vicolo Stretto Library) Catania and (Colapesce Library) Messina.
- 2017** Seminar, European Academy of Fine Arts and Media, Milano
- 2016** Presentation, Chiesa di San Camillo ai Crociferi, Catania

- 2012** Residence for young artists Arte a Km0, Big Bang Projects, Invorio, Novara
- 2011** Workshop, Brera Accademy of Fine Arts, Milan, Italy
- 2010** Visiting Artist, University of Bologna, Department of Visual Arts, Bologna
- 2010** Teacher, video workshop at maximum security women's prison, Italy
- 2009** Teacher, photography workshop at maximum security women's prison, Italy

#### PERSONAL EXHIBITIONS

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- 2019** LIBERAMI DA QUESTE PRIGIONI curated by Giovanna Fiorenza, in collaboration with Milano Photo Festival, Moondi Edizioni and Balloon Art Project, Castello Visconteo Sforzesco Prisons, Vigevano, Italy
- 2017** TAGLIO, artist bus, curated by Giovanna Fiorenza, by STAV spa, itinerant installation around the cities (Europe)
- 2014** MY LITTLE HOUSE, curated by Giuseppe Mendolia Calella e Valentina Lucia Barbagallo/ Balloon Project, from an idea of Fulvio Ravagnani, Catania, Italy
- 2012** LA DOLOROSA, Muratcentoventidue Gallery, Bari, Italy
- 2010** MIRRORING, Gallery F6, Künstlerdorf Schöppingen, Germany (c)
- 2009** FOREVER AND EVER, curated by Paolo Apolito, St. Apollonia, Salerno, Italy
- 2009** E VISSERO FELICI E CONTENTI, with Stefania Pederetti, Esposta Gallery, Verona, Italy
- 2009** WAITING FOR TRILOGY Making off, curated by TestaccioLab, Roma, Italy
- 2008** HAPPILY EVEN AFTER, Fondamenta Jahier, Milano, Italy
- 2008** THE KITCHEN, with Silvia Levenson, Gallery Esther Montoriol, Barcelona, Spain (c)
- 2006** SOMETHING WRONG, with Silvia Levenson, Arthobler gallery, Porto, Portugal

#### (SELECTED) GROUP EXHIBITIONS

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**2018**

**CONTEMPORANEA artiste si raccontano**, curated by Irene Finiguerra, Palazzo Ferrero e Palazzo La Marmora, Biella (c)

**2017**

**AUTOBUS D'ARTISTA**, curated by Giovanna Fiorenza, by STAV spa, itinerant installation around the cities (Europe)

**OMAGGIO A SANT'AGATA** curated by Maria Teresa De Blasi, Chiesa di San Francesco Borgia, Catania

**2016**

**MEDITERRANEO SGUARDO DI DONNE SULLE DONNE**, photos between lands and sea, curated by Patrizia Varone, Archivio di Stato, Napoli

**BODY LANDSCAPES**, Obliqua International Show of Videoart & Experimental Cinema, curated by Visual Container, Lisboa, Portugal

**8° CONTEMPO** International Contemporary Art Festival, Visualcontainer, Varna, Bulgaria

**2015**

**HIT PARADE** the top biennial selection exhibit, Museo dell'automobile, Torino

**ARType**, curated by Guido Bartorelli, Paolo Granata, Silvia Grandi, Fabiola Naldi e Stefania Portinari, Musma - Museum of contemporary sculpture, Matera

**PARATISSIMA**, ordine o caos?, art fair, Torino Esposizioni, Torino (c)

**IDENTITA' FLUIDE**, a journey into contemporary art, curated by Silvia Grandi e Pierluca Nardoni. Auditorium Ex Chiesa di S. Matteo, Molinella/Bologna

**VIE DI FUGA**, curated by Giovanna Fiorenza, Castello Sforzesco, Vigevano

**2014**

**ARType** - Archetypes of contemporary video art, curated by Paolo Granata e Silvia Grandi, Civic Gallery of Modern Art, Palazzo Collicola, Spoleto

**THE RAGE OF THE DRONE IN THE UNPREPARED DISCOTEQUE** artworks coming somehow from Schoepingen, curated by Simona da Pozzo, Vegapunk, Milano

**2013**

**ARType** - Archetypes of contemporary video art, curated by Guido Bartorelli, Paolo Granata, Silvia Grandi, Fabiola Naldi, Stefania Portinari, Basilica Palladiana, Vicenza

**PLAYTIME**, curated by Cecilia Freschini, in collaboration with Artverona - Culture Area of Verona City - VisualContainer - LabYit - [.BOX] Videoart Project Space Milano

**2012**

**PLAYTIME**, by Cecilia Freschini, organized by Lab-Yit The Italian Contemporary Art Platform, Beijing project space, Beijing, China

**TRANSITI**, CACT Center for Contemporary Art of Ticino, Bellinzona, Switzerland

**ARTE ACCESSIBILE**, art fair with VisualContainer, Spazio Eventiquattro Gruppo 24 Ore, Milan, Italy

**VERONA ARTFAIR**, Playtime by Cecilia Freschini, Verona (c)

**ON VIDEOS** for hours and hours, by VisualContainer, Arte Boccanera Gallery, Trento, Italy

**2011**

**ITALIAN CHARACTER, A NATIONAL ART MOLESKINE**, curated by Mario Gorni and Giorgio Fedeli, Arad Art Museum, Arad, Romania

**FASE** between arts and technology, Centro Cultural Recoleta, Buenos Aires, Argentina

**VIDEOLANDIA**, ALT Arte Contemporanea Alzano Lombardo, Bergamo, Italy

**CORPI E SPAZI DELLA CONTEMPORANEITA'**: video art visions, curated by Giorgio Fedeli and Visual Container, MAAAC Nociano Contemporary Art Museum (Pe), Italy

**MIA**, Milano Image Fair, with Studio Maffei, SuperstudioPiù, Milano, Italy

**ARTISTAINVITARTISTA**, curated by Big Bang and Red Nomad, Centre d'ART Villa Eugenia, Valencia, Spain

**ITALIANITA': UN MOLESKINO ITALIANO**, project by Visual Container and Care/of, CologneOff, Arad Art Museum, Romania

**GEIST IST GEIL!**, artist in resident exhibiton, Künstlerdorf Schöppingen, Germany

**ITALIAN CHARACTER, A NATIONAL ART MOLESKINE**, curated by Mario Gorni and Giorgio Fedeli, Arteles Creativity Center, Tampere, Finlandia

**2010**

**ITALIAN CONTAINER**, The emerging Italian video art, a cura di Carolina Lio, ACCEA Armenian Center for Contemporary Experimental Art, Yerevan, Armenia

**LET'S PLAY**, by Alessandra Borgogelli, Paolo Granata, Silvia Grandi, Fabiola Naldi, Palazzo Pretorio, Cittadella (Pd), Italy

**LIFE STRATEGIES**, Micaela Gallery, San Francisco, USA

**HAPPILY EVEN AFTER**, Cell63 Gallery, Berlin, Germany

**SCOPE BASEL** art fairwith Micaela Gallery, Basel, Switzerland

**VIDEOART YEARBOOK**, by Visual Arts Department University of Bologna, Chiostrò di Santa Cristina, Bologna, Italy

**VERONA ARTFAIR**, with the Bologna University Department of Visual Arts, Verona

**FLASHFORWARD**, [.BOX] Videoart Project space by Visualcontainer, Milano

**-5 MINUTES**, 3rdVideo Biennial, Jakopic Gallery ,Ljubljana, Slovenia (c)

**BORDER-LESS**, curated by Gabriela Gavrilas, Museo Tarii, Oradea, Romania

**2009**

**QUOTIDIANA09** curated by Teresa Iannotta e Stefania Schiavon, Padova (c)

**THE EXPERIMENT**, curated by Paolo Apolito, Villa Comunale, Salerno

**L'UOMO E IL SUO DESTINO** Premio San Fedele, Gallery San Fedele, AA.VV, Milano (c)

**LOVE NEST** spazio Revel, Wannabee Gallery, Milano (c)

**FRAMES FROM THE REAL**, LAZNIA Centre for Contemporary Art, in collaboration with VisualContainer and Michal Brzezinski, Gdask, Polonia

**2008**

**DELICARTESSEN7**, Gallery Esther Montoriol, Barcellona, Spain

**ART LAGUNA**, curated by Carlo Sala, Romanian Cultural Institute, Venezia (c)

**LES ARTS AU VERT**, Le Maettlè, Alsace, France (c)

**BODY LANGUAGE** The Workshop Gallery, Bialystok, Poland

**2007**

**GROUP SHOW NO.19** by Jon Feinstein, Humble Arts Foundation, New York, U.S.A.

**ART FIRST** Artefiera , with Caterina Tognon Arte ContemporaneaBologna (c)

**2006**

**ALGO ANDA MAL**, Argentina embassy in Italy, Roma

**RIPARTE**, International Contemporary Art Fair with Traghetto Gallery, Roma (c)

**TALK TO THE CITY** C/O Careof, Fabbrica del vapore, Milano

**LA VIA DI ANTIGONE**, Gallery Daniela Rallo, Cremona

**CONVITE** in collaboration with Arthobler gallery, Passos de Silgueiros, Portugal

**2005**

**SOTTO LA SUPERFICIE**, curated by M.Mojana and G.Montrasio, Fabbrica del Vapore, Milano (c)

**DARK LADIES**- three artist in the tower, curated by G.Fiorenza, Torre del castello, Vigevano

**2003 VIE DI FUGA** installations in the city, Borderline gallery, Vigevano

**2001**

**VISUAL-E**, Comune di Milano / 6 locations in the city, Milano

**LJUBLJANA INDEPENDENT FESTIVAL**, Ljubljana, Slovenia

**2000 ENZIMI** art festival, Testaccio, Roma

**(SELECTED) FILM/VIDEO SCREENING**

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**2017**

**SENSITIVE AND DIGITAL SCAPES** Visualcontainer videoart selection, VisualcontainerTV

**2016**

**META CINEMA** Festival delle Audiovisioni Ibridanti, curated by Piero Deggiiovanni, Accademia di Belle Arti, Bologna

**2015**

**ARType** - Archetipi della videoarte contemporanea, curated by Guido Bartorelli, Paolo Granata, Silvia Grandi, Fabiola Naldi e Stefania Portinari, Cinémathèque québécoise, Montréal (Canada)

**2013**

**ART4**.un aperitivo con il meglio della videoarte, Palazzo Righini-Fossano, Cuneo

**2012**

**VIDEO IS WOMAN** Languages and expressive forms in artistic contemporary communication, by Silvia Grandi, Sala delle Bandiere, European Parliament, Rome, Italy

**VIDEOART EVENTS**, by VisualContainer, Villa Pomini, Castellanza, Varese, Italy

**2011**

**VYB** Video Yearbook, CRAC Contemporary Art Research Center, Cremona, Italy

**ART AGAINST MEDIACRACY**, Video Roma Art Festival, by Visual Container and C.A.R.M.A

Applied Arts Center and Multimedia Research, Cinema Teatro Occupato Volturmo, Rome, Italy

**VIDEOART YEARBOOK**, curated by Renato Barilli, Alessandra Borgogelli, Paolo Granata, Silvia Grandi, Fabiola Naldi, Paola Sega, University Department of Visual Arts, Chiostro di Santa Cristina, Bologna, Italy

**ITALIAN CHARACTER, A NATIONAL ART MOLESKINE**, curated by Mario Gorni and Giorgio Fedeli, a project by CologneOff international videoart festival, Arad Art Museum, Arad, Romania and Arteles, Tampere, Finland

**FASE** between arts and technology, Centro Cultural Recoleta, Buenos Aires, Argentina

**CORPI E SPAZI DELLA CONTEMPORANEITA'**: Visions of video art, curated by Giorgio Fedeli and Visual Container, MAAAC Museum of Contemporary Art of Nocciano (Pe)

**2010**

**VIDEOART YEARBOOK**, by the University Department of Visual Arts, Chiostro di Santa Cristina, Bologna

**THE SCIENTIST** International videoart festival, by Visual Container, Sala Estense, Palazzo del Municipio, Ferrara

**LIFE STRATEGIES**, Micaela Gallery, San Francisco, USA

**2009**

**ITALIAN VIDEO EMERGENCIES**, curated by VisualContainer, Milano

**FRAMES FROM THE REAL**, LAZNIA Centre for Contemporary Art, in collaboration with VisualContainer and Michal Brzezinski, Gdask, Poland

**VISIONARIA**, international video festival, Siena (c)

**OPTICA**, videofestival, (different locations) (c)

La casa Encendida ,Madrid\_Spain / CCAI\_Centro de Cultura Antigo Instituto, Gijon\_Spain / Colegio español,Parigi\_France/ Cinemateca boliviana,La Paz, Bolivia/ Art Factory y Biblioteca Nacional, Buenos Aires, Argentina /Filmoteca dell' Andalusia, Còrdoba, Spain

**GIFFONI FILM FESTIVAL** Valle della Piana, Salerno

**FEMALE CUT**, video art festival, CS Brancaleone, Roma

**2008**

**VIDEOA2**, videoart festival, Palazzo Strozzi, Ferrara (c)

**VIDEODIALOGHI**, curated by W.Darko e O.Gambari, Torino

**2007**

**2VIDEO**, UnDo.Net , curated by Francesca di Nardo

**ITALIAN WAYS** in contemporary craft, Cheongju, Korea (c)

**2006**

**COOKING ART**, curated by Paola Tognon e Laura Nozza , Berchidda (c)

**2005**

**I SEE YOU ARE A BIT NERVOUS**, Bullseye Connections Gallery,Portland (OR) USA (c)

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