

Mehrad Sepahnia

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EDUCATION

2005-2006	Iran Junior Cinema, Shahroud, Iran
2014-2017	Mediamaker Image and Sound
Since 2023	Member in Bauhaus Archiv Participatory Workshop in Bauhaus Archiv Museum für Gestaltung Berlin

FILMOGRAPHY

- 2025 ***Blind, ins Auge*** (Director/ Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Doco-Experimental | 19' 47" funded by: Medienboard Berlin Brandenburg and Hessen Film & Media
- 2023 ***Blick*** (Director/ Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Doco-Experimental | 14' 27" funded by: Stipendium Bildende Kunst, BBK, Modul D, Neustart Kultur
- 2022 ***7+1 Fragments*** (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 30' 00" funded by: Recherche Stipendium Bildende Kunst Berliner Senat für Kultur und Europa
- 2020 ***Come and Go*** (Director) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 08' 28"
- 2019 ***Zukunft ist Feminin*** (Regie/ Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Doco-Experimental | 07' 08" | funded by: Landesvereinigung kulturelle Jugendbildung Berlin
- 2019 ***Ecce homo*** (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 02' 33"
- 2019 ***Différance*** (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 07' 08"
- 2018 ***3x€*** (Director) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 12' 08"
- 2017 ***Soma / Haoma*** (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Doco-Experimental | 26' 09"
- 2016 ***efaringean*** (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 07' 39"
- 2016 ***gesunden Abstand*** (Script)/ Short Film
- 2015 ***Eine Nacht in der Stadt*** (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 13' 36"
- 2015 ***Abenteuer des Lugalbanda*** (Script)/ Short Film

- 2013 *Erlöser* (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Doco-Experimental | 06' 08"
- 2012 *Flesh* (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 10' 00"
- 2010 *Offenbarung* (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 17' 17"
- 2008 *Bitter Traum* (Director / Script) | Prod.: Realillusion | Experimental | 05' 51"
- 2006 *Die Verwandlung* (Script)/ Short Film

INSTALLATIONS/ EXHIBITION

- 2025 Blind, ins Auge, in Betonhalle Silent green funded by Berliner Senatverwaltung für Kultur und Europa
- 2024 Nutzer unbekannt کاربر ناشناس: video Installation and Concert, together with Juliana Hodkinson and Mehrad Sepahnia, in the program "Back and Fort", Production of KNM Ensemble, Presentation in Radialsystem Berlin
- 2023 Mit anderem Video installation in solidarity with the Iranian Revolution, in Art-Lab Berlin
- 2022 Not in a Map: Group exhibition with Trial and Theresa in 48h Neukölln, funded by Kulturnetzwerk Berlin e.V.
- 2022 versteckte Gesichter: about Samarra Excavation in Samarra Revisited/ Exhibition in Museum of Islamic Art
- 2021 Wenn die Bilder laufen lernen: digital exhibition in Kunstmatrix, Fri-X Berg youth art school
- 2018 ICH GLAUB, ICH TRÄUME: Group exhibition at the Nachbarschaftshaus Urbanstraße

SCHOLARSHIPS / PRODUCTION (Selection)

- 2025 Funding for the Präsentation for Visual Arts in Berlin/ Berlin Senat of Culture
- 2024 Production Funding for the Short Film Blind into the eye from Hessen Film & Media and Medienboard Berlin and Brandenburg
- 2023 HessenLab B3 Biennale für Bewegtes Bildes/ Blind: ins Auge
- 2022 Berliner Projektfonds kulturelle Bildung, Stiftung für kulturelle Weiterbildung und Kulturberatung, Stiftung öffentlichen Rechte

2021	Stipendium Modul D: Digitale Vermittlungsformate« im Teilprogramm «NEUSTART für Bildende Künstlerinnen und Künstler»/ Deutscher Künstlerbund e.V.
2021	Fond SozioKultur im Teilprogramm «NEUSTART für Bildende Künstlerinnen und Künstler» die Beauftragte der Bundesregierung für Kultur und Medien
2021	Stiftung für Kulturelle Weiterbildung und Kulturberatung, Stiftung öffentlichen Rechts
2019- 2020	ZUKUNFT JETZT! / Berliner Projektfonds kulturelle Bildung/ Berlin
2019	Zukunft ist Feminin/ LKJ Berlin
2018	Durchstarten Fördersäule 1+/ Berliner Projektfonds kulturelle Bildung/ Berlin

PROJEKTION (Selection)

2025	Film Blind, ins Auge (2025) in Tehran Contemporary Sounds / Berlin
2025	Film Blick (2023) in Marché du film de Cannes / France
2024	Film Blick (2023) in Tehran Contemporary Sounds / Berlin
2018	Film 3x3 (2018) in Il Kino / Berlin
2019	Film Erlöser (2013) in ARTIST TRAINING / York Kino / Berlin
2020	Film Come and Go (2020) Kino Movimiento / Berlin

FESTIVALS

2026	Max Ophlūs Film Festival
2025	78. Locarno Film Festival/ Locarno Pardi di Domani/ Switzerland/ Preis Pardi di Domani Award
2025	Semifinalist moving Art Prize Rencontres Internationales Paris/Berlin
2025	Cork Film Festival
2025	KFFK/ Kurzfilmfestival Köln
2025	Zinebi - International Festival of Documentary and Short of Bilbao
2025	Interfilm Berlin
2025	DMZ international Documentary film Festival
2025	Vancouver International Film festival
2025	Movie that Matters/ Take on Film & Impact/ Netherland
2024	Saigon Experimental Film Festival
2023	45th Clermont-Ferrand Short Film Market/ France
2023	Giove International Film Festival

2023	Cinalfama Lisbon International Film Festival
2023	HIVE International Short Film Days, Berlin
2022	BIMIFF - Brazil International Monthly Independent Film Festival
2021	Nominee Female Award European Cultural Days Karlsruhe
2021	Rome International Movie Awards
2021	Seoul International Short Film
2021	Festival 2021 the Gona Film Awards
2021	Golden Sparrow International Film Festival
2021	Paris Shorts Film Award
2021	Cairo Indie Short Festival
2021	Hollywood International Golden Age Festival
2021	New York Tri-State International Film
2021	San Francisco Indie Short Festival
2021	Austin International Art
2021	Wandering-Lion Film Fest
2021	Kalakari film fest
2021	Fullshot Cine Mag Fest
2021	180°Berlin Filmfest
2021	Cambio International Film
2021	Festival New Wave Short Film
2021	2021 Festival del Cinema di Cefalù
2021	Jelly FEST Film Festival
2021	Boden International Film Festival
2020	Indie Short Fest Los Angeles
2020	ARFF Paris/ International Awards
2020	Independent Shorts Awards

PROJEKTE / LEHRAUFTRÄGE (Selection)

2023-24	Haus der Kulturen der Welt/ S.O.S School for Sustainability
2022	FELD-Theater/ Speaking with the Body, an experimental film on accessibility for the deaf
2022	Museum of Islamic Art/ Film Workshop Series
2021-2023	Berlinische Galerie/ W wie Widerstand/ Film workshop on the topic of resistance

MEETINGS / FILMSERIES

2021-2023	Berlinische Galerie/ W wie Widerstand, participatory film workshop and film series on the topic of resistance
2020-2021	Berlin Mondiale, outdoor cinema, curator of the film series Experimental Film
2015-2017	Cultural Association Dehkhoda, curator of film series on experimental film

PODIUMSDISKUSSION / POLITICAL DISCOURSES

2022	Speaking with the Body, Accessibility in the Film for Deaf People, FELD-Theater
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