



## VILLA MAGDALENA

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**Milko Pavlov** was born in Aytos, Bulgaria in 1956 and now works between Sofia and Berlin. Frottage techniques, created by taking rubbings from pre-existing surfaces, add texture to his naturalistic abstract paintings. The presence of landscape or organic forms is suggested, but not confirmed.

Milko Pavlov (Aytos, 1956) is a Bulgarian abstract painter based in Berlin. Recent solo exhibitions include: *Labyrinth* (Office Reiner Opoku, Berlin, Germany, 2023), *Unsettled Paintings Frozen like Mountains* (Villa Magdalena, Donostia-San Sebastián, Spain, 2022), *FACIES* (St. Matthäus Stiftung, Berlin, Germany, 2020), *Sophia Nova 2118-2084* (ONE Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2018), *Brother in Arms* (Yuzina Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2012), *Tomorrow belongs to me* (The OMC Gallery, Huntington Beach, USA, 2012), *2076: 120 Years of Milko Pavlov* (National Art Gallery Sofia, Bulgaria, 2008), *Tomorrow belongs to you – Milko Pavlov 2004-2066* (City Art Gallery, Bremen, Germany, 2007). Selected group shows include: *Blau* (Ohse Gallery, Bremen, Germany, 2020), *The Untold Bulgarian Abstraction* (Shipka 6 Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2014)



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## LIVES AND WORKS IN BERLIN, GERMANY

### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

#### 2023

*Labyrinth*, Office Reiner Opoku, Berlin, Germany

#### 2022

*Recently Ahead*, One Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria

*Unsettled Paintings Frozen like Mountains*, Villa Magdalena, Donostia-San Sebastián, Spain

#### 2021

*Frei Sein*, St. Peter und Paulkirche, Ratingen, Germany

#### 2020

*FACIES*, St. Matthäus Stiftung, Berlin, Germany

#### 2019

*Hungertuch*, St Peter und Paulkirche, Ratingen, Germany

#### 2018

*Sophia Nova 2118-2084*, One Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria

#### 2012

*Brother in Arms*, Yuzina Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria

*Tomorrow belongs to me*, The OMC gallery, Huntington Beach, California, USA

#### 2008

*2076:120 Years of Milko Pavlov*, National Art Gallery Sofia, Bulgaria

#### 2007

*Bilocation 2029*, FLUC Belgrade, Serbia

*Tomorrow belongs to you – Milko Pavlov Painting 2004-2066*, City Art Gallery, Bremen, Germany

#### 2005

*milkopavlovthelargesizedrawings (2012-2030)*, Sofia City Art Gallery, Bulgaria



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## SELECTED GROUP SHOWS

**2024**

*Illusive Places: Thomas Chapman, Alejandro Garmendia, Louis Jacquot, Lucy Mullican, Milko Pavlov*, Pace Gallery, Seoul, Korea

**2020**

*BLAU*, Ohnesorge Gallery, Bremen, Germany

**2019**

*BG minimal*, Tarnovo, Plovdiv, Bulgaria

*Thank you Mr Ruf*, Credit Bonus, Sofia, Bulgaria

**2017**

Sofia underground Art Festival, Sofia, Bulgaria

**2016**

*Watercolour, ink and acrylic on paper*, Jordan-Seydoux Gallery, Berlin, Germany

**2015**

*Prints from the SGHG Collection*, Sofia, Bulgaria

**2014**

*The Untold Bulgarian Abstraction*, Shipka 6 Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria

*Unknown Masterpieces*, Wonderloch Kellerland, Berlin, Germany

**2011**

*Out of time*, SGHG, Sofia, Bulgaria

**2009**

*Reflections from Tomorrow*, The Ancient Bath, Plovdiv, Bulgaria

**2008**

*Heaven and Hell today*, St. Stephani Kirche, Bremen, Germany

*Gardens of Memory*, Sofia City Art Gallery, Bulgaria

**2007**

*Visual Immortality*, Contemporary Art from Southeast Europe, Basel, Switzerland

**2006**

*The Unknown Masterpiece*, City Art Gallery, Bremen, Germany



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**SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

National Art Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria  
Sofia City Art Gallery, Bulgaria  
Art Gallery, Dobrich, Bulgaria  
City Art Gallery, Plovdiv, Bulgaria  
Varna City Art Gallery, Bulgaria  
Arts support Found, Sofia, Bulgaria  
Stiftung St. Matthäus, Berlin, Germany  
Grafik Museum Stiftung Schreiner, Bad Steben, Germany  
Städtische Gallerie Bremen, Germany  
Swb Enordia Bremen, Germany  
Leopold-Hoesh Museum Düren, Germany  
International Print Society Cracow  
TAMA Art University Museum Tokyo, Japan  
Kanagawa Art Foundation Yokohama, Japan  
Associazione Premio Internazionale Biella per l'Incisione, Italy