



# Maximilian Prüfer

## Inwelt

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**Maximilian Prüfer's** recent solo exhibitions include 'Inwelt', Galerie Kandlhofer, 2021; 'Everything is going to be alright', DG Kunstraum, München 2020; 'WIR', Kugelmühle, Mühlbach, 2020; 'Tier', Galerie Kandlhofer, Vienna, 2019; 'Vieh', Museum Villa Rot, Burgrieden, 2018; 'Nest', Sotheby's Artist Quarterly, Sotheby's Munich, 2018. His work has been included in recent group shows: *Vienna Biennale for Change*, MAK, Vienna, 2021; 'ponds among ponds', ICA Shanghai NYU, 2021; 'Flügel Schlag', Museum Sinclair Haus, Bad Homburg, 2020; 'Egon Schiele, Reloaded', Leopold Museum, Vienna, 2018/19. In 2023, Maximilian Prüfer's works will be shown in a solo exhibition at Welt Museum Vienna and in a group exhibition at Kunsthalle München. Maximilian Prüfer has received prizes and scholarships such as the Bavarian Art Promotion Award, the Konrad Adenauer Foundation Scholarship, the DG German Society for Christian Art Award, and the Swabian District Art Award.

