

**Borga Kantürk** is an artist and a curator, born in 1978 in Izmir, Turkey. He studied painting at the Fine Arts Faculty at the Dukuz Eylul Univ. (1995–1999) and finished his Masters programme in painting at the Fine Art İnstitut at the Dukuz Eylul Univ. (1999–2003). He participated in many residential programs (incl. 2005 – HIAP (Helsinki International Artist-in-Residence Programme), 2009 – Sextant et Plus, France etc.) and was active in many cultural organizations: in 2002 he became founder and director of KUTU Portable ArtGallery, he also co-founded K2 Art Center in Izmir, of which he became co-project director between the years of 2004–2007. Kantürk has participated in many local and international exhibitions. He lives and works in Izmir.

## **Selected Solo Exhibition:**

- 2012 The Sick and the Building, Gallery NON, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2011 Cafe Recordis, Gallery NON, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2009 The Distance of Testimony, French Cultural Center, Izmir (Turkey)
- 2006 Revenge of Zidane (Zidane 'in İntikamı), MASA, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2005 Borga Kantürk & Ahmet Öğüt, Platform Garanti Contemporary Art Center, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2001 Medar-i Iftihar (Documents of Proud), Iletisim Kitabevi Art Gallery, Izmir (Turkey)

## **Selected Group Exhibitions:**

- 2014 Plurivocality: Visual Arts and Music in Turkey, Istanbul Modern, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2013 ArtBarter, 5533, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2013 Sail Away, We Must!, CDA Projects, İstanbul (Turkey)
- 2013 Sanctity and Despotism of Progress, İstanbul (Turkey)
- 2012 FULL Art Prize 2012 (Finalist's exhibition), Hasköy Yarn Factory, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2011 *Where Fire Has Struck* (on the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Human Rights Foundation of Turkey), DEPO, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2011 *Trae Routes*, Pi Artworks Gallery, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2010 Emploi-saisonnier, Sextant et Plus, Marseille (France)
- 2010 Freefall, Apartman Project, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2009 Göreli Konumlar ve Kanaatler (Relative Position and Coclusions), Suriye Pasajı, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2008 Save As..., Contemporary Art from Turkey, Triennale Bovisa, Milano (Italy)
- 2007 Punctre Tyre, K2 Art Center, Izmir (Turkey)
- 2006 Les Dessous Chic, Galerie Arkos, Clermont-Ferrand (France)
- 2006 Check-in-Europe (p2p: Invisible Landscapes), EPO, München (Germany)
- 2004 Lock Your Mind (Zihnini Kilitle), Sox36, Berlin (Germany)
- 2004 Darkroom, artist's workshop, Contitental Factory, Hannover (Germany)
- 2003 B-fact: Black Sea / Baltic Sea / Barents Sea Mutual Realities/ Artistic Exchange/ Interregional Solidarity, Recognition/Switch/Hospitality, Bilgi Uni. Atelier 111, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2002 I'm Too Sad to Kill You!, Proje4L, Istanbul (Turkey)

## **Selected Curatorial Activities:**

- 2014 Summer Resort for A Song, DEPO, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2013 With All the Changes That Loomed Far Behind the Horizon, MARS Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2009 Ghost Site, Recents Tree, Steep Hill, French Cultural Center, Izmir (Turkey)
- 2008 One in a Million, French Culturel Center, Izmir (Turkey)
- 2007 Nightcomers, Istanbul Biennial Exhibition, IMC, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2007 Hope Is a Good Thing, Atelier Frankfurt, Franfurt (Germany)
- 2006 Guest Room (01-02-03-04), AKM Project Room, Izmir (Turkey)
- 2005 From the Midnight Sun: Contemporary Art Videos From Finland, K2 Art Center, Izmir (Turkey)
- 2005 *The Little, The Cheap, The Trash and Absolutely Passionate!*, Cable Factory, Helsinki (Finland)
- 2005 Other's Chance, K2 Art Center, Izmir (Turkey)
- 2005 *Alice vs. Alice*, Kasa Gallery, Istanbul (Turkey); with Adnan Yıldız (selection for K2 Art Center)
- 2004 Secret Face, K2 Art Center, Izmir (Turkey)
- 2004 The Deepest Breath, KUTUv.4, Akbank Art Center, Istanbul (Turkey)
- 2001 Hello Boredom, KUTUv.1, Proje4L, Istanbul (Turkey)