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Education

2012 Deutsche Pop Academy for Music and Media - Berlin - DE 1999 - 2005 Diploma Communication Design - University of Applied Sciences - Hamburg - DE Analog & Digital Photography & Image Processing - Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design - Jerusalem Exhibitions 2017 50 Contemporary Artists by Enter Art Foundation - Multipolster - Berlin - DE Awards 2009 Prize of the Darmstädter Sezession - Darmstadt - DE 2005 Kodak New Talent Award - Hamburg - DE **Publications** 2017 Photography Portfolio - Luel magazine Der Greif DNCHT Magazine for Photography, Design and Subculture #18 2015 Guest-Room - Der Greif 2007 Vorn IV 2005 Photonews Nr.5

ARTIST STATEMENT

Dirk Mueggenburg's still-lifes are a result of an obsession with flowers: People use them as symbols to make statements of affection and mourning, and people avoid them as they stand for vulnerability and doomed promises. It seems impossible to view flowers as neutral objects, for their designs arouse either admiration and desire or loathing due to cultural overexposure and negative connotations of kitsch. Dirk Mueggenburg happily gives in to this hate-love relationship and explores a critical engagement with attraction, melancholia and sentiment.

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