

Arik Levy

"Creation is an uncontrolled muscle" according to Arik Levy (born 1963).

Artist, technician, photographer, designer, video artist, Levy's skills are multi-disciplinary and his work can be seen in prestigious galleries and museums worldwide. Best known publicly for his sculptures – such as his signature Rock pieces –, his installations, limited editions and design, Levy nevertheless feels "The world is about people, not objects."

Hailing originally from Israel and moving to Europe after his first participation in a group sculpture exhibition in Tel-Aviv in 1986, Levy currently works in his studio in Paris.

His formation was unconventional where surfing, as well as his art and graphic design studio, took up much of his time back home. Following studies at the Art Center Europe in Switzerland he gained a distinction in Industrial Design in 1991.

After a stint in Japan where he consolidated his ideas producing products and pieces for exhibitions, Levy returned to Europe where he contributed his artistry to another field – contemporary dance and opera by way of set design.

The creation of his studio then meant a foray back to his first love, art and industrial design, as well as other branches of his talents.

Considering himself now more of a "feeling" artist, Arik Levy continues to contribute substantially to our interior and exterior milieu, his work including public sculpture, as well as complete environments that can be adapted for multi use. "Life is a system of signs and symbols," he says, "where nothing is quite as it seems."

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Upcoming events and exhibitions

2017

Installation of RockTripleFusion VerticalGiant 660 and RockTripleFusionGiant 500, Taipei. two monumental public sculptures commissioned to be part of the residential project Da-An Park Towers by Sir Richard Rogers, in Taipei, Taiwan.

Baker Museum, Florida – solo exhibition – 09/2017

Crystal Worlds Museum, Wattens – 11/2017

Louise Alexander Gallery, Nomad, Monaco – Solo exhibition – 04/2017

Aeroplasic, Brussels – group exhibition – 04/2017

Setareh gallery, Dusseldorf – I Remembered It Differently - solo exhibition – 03/2017

Samsung, commission for BaselWorld – Galaxy Stand – 03/2017

Jensen Gallery, Sydney – group exhibition – 03/2017

Spring 2018

Installation of RockGrowthHermitage, Moscow. monumental public sculpture commissioned to be installed in front of the future Hermitage Moscow, a unique museum complex that will see the day in the Zilart District in Moscow, Russia.

Permanent installations and ongoing exhibitions

2016

Atomium, Brussels – RockGrowth 808 Atomium – public space permanent installation– 04/2014 Crystal Worlds Museum, Wattens – Transparent Opacity – five-year solo installation – 09/2012 to 2017

Selection of art exhibitions and installations 2016

Alon Segev Gallery, Tel Aviv – Absent Presence - solo exhibition – 03/11/2016

Design Miami, Miami – Ice by Arik Levy – 12/2016

Les Rencontres D'arles, Arles – 20/20 – Group Exhibition – 07/2016 to 09/2016

PODGORNY ROBINSON gallery temporary space, Saint Paul de Vence – Summer group exhibition – 07/2016

2015

Setareh gallery, Dusseldorf – solo exhibition – 09/2015 Please Do Not Enter, Los Angeles – solo exhibition – 05/2015

Praguekabinet gallery, Prague - Intuitive Reactions – solo exhibition – 05/2015 Aeroplastics Contemporary, Humble me – group exhibition – 04/2015

Atomium, Brussels – RockGrowth 808 Atomium – public space permanent installation– 04/2014 Crystal Worlds Museum, Wattens – Transparent Opacity – five-year solo installation – 09/2012 to 2017 selection of art exhibitions and installations

Pékin Fine Arts Gallery, Hong-Kong - Manmade (Human) Nature – solo exhibition – 02/2015 Alon Segev Gallery, Art15, London – group exhibition – 05/2015

Louise-Alexander Gallery, Art15, London – group exhibition – 05/2015

2014

Le Frenois, Tourcoing – Lux – group exhibition – Sparkler art video – 10/10/2014 Alon Segev, Tel Aviv – Primitive Components – solo exhibition – 30/10/2014

Louise Alexander Gallery, Porto Cervo – Uncontrolled Nature – solo exhibition – 06/2014 Ilan Engel Gallery, Paris – New Works – solo exhibition – 06/2014

Atomium, Brussels – RockGrowth 808 Atomium – public space permanent installation and exhibition – 04/2014

Aeroplastics Contemporary, Brussels – Full House: 100 artists – group exhibition – 04/2014 Fondation EDF, Paris – Que la lumière soit – RewindableLight art video – 04/2014

2013

Galerist, Istanbul – Activated Nature – 11/2013

Enclos des Bernardins, Paris – RockGrowth installation – 09/2013

Musée des Arts Décoratifs, Paris – selection of artworks alongside the exhibition “Dans la ligne de mire” – 09/2013

Vitra Design Museum, Weil am Rhein – RewindableLight art video – Lightopia group exhibition – 09/2013

La Maison Champs Elysées, Paris – Crater_F210 and installation of other artworks – 09/2013 Galerie Maubert, Paris – Nouvelle Lune – group exhibition – 04/2013

Alcazar, Paris – Fractal installation and photo exhibition (Orchids and Seduction series) – 04/2013

Mitterrand+Cramer, Geneva – new sculptures – solo exhibition – 03/2013

2012

Passage de Retz, Paris – Nothing is quite as it seems – solo exhibition – 11/2012

Bisazza Foundation, Montecchio Maggiore – Experimental Growth – solo exhibition & permanent collection – 11/2012

Galerist, Istanbul – Le Jardin de la Spéculation Cosmique – group exhibition curated by Fatoş Üstek

– 10/2012

Crystal Worlds Museum, Wattens – Transparent Opacity – two-year solo installation – 09/2012 Alon Segev Gallery, Tel Aviv – Genetic Intimacy – solo exhibition – 09/2012

London Design Museum, London – Osmosis Interactive installation at Swarovski's Digital Crystal – group exhibition – 09/2012

Jardin du Hauvel, Saint-Hymer – Art et Nature – group exhibition curated by Jean-Gabriel Mitterrand – 06/2012

Hedge Gallery, San Francisco – Flections – group exhibition curated by Sabrina Buell – 06/2012

Priveekollektie, Heusden aan de Maas – Emotional Deflection – solo exhibition – 05/2012 Galerie Maubert, Paris – Le Sacre du Printemps – group exhibition – 04/2012

Alon Segev Gallery, Tel Aviv – Arik Levy & Guy Yanai – group exhibition – 03/2012 Stonetouch, Geneva – Candelabra – group exhibition – Nuit des Bains – 03/2012

2011

Natural History Museum, London - installation - Regeneration : Chaton Superstructures at the Natural History Museum

JGM. Galerie, Paris – M+C group exhibition

Galerie Pierre-Alain Challier, Paris – Un regard d'Obsidienne – group exhibition

Design Museum Holon, Israel – Post Fossil: excavating 21st century creation – group exhibition – 21_21 Design Sight gallery, Tokyo – Reality Lab – group exhibition

2010

Alon Segev Gallery, Tel Aviv – Natural Disorder – solo exhibition Mitterrand+Cramer, Genève – Geotectonic – solo exhibition Priveekollektie, Heusden aan de Maas – My Name Is Arik – solo exhibition

Istanbul Modern, Istanbul – Log Forest installation – Dice Kayek's Istanbul Contrast

Art Amsterdam, Amsterdam – Personality Disorder Social Codes – installation at No Holds Barred Eighth Veil Gallery, Los Angeles – Out there logging – solo exhibition

Santa Monica Museum of Art, Santa Monica CA – Luminescence, between Fire & Ice – solo exhibition

Lambretto Art Project, Milano – 13 798 grams of design – group exhibition

21_21 Design Sight gallery, Tokyo – Post Fossil: excavating 21st century creation – group exhibition

2009

Slott gallery, Paris – Confessions – solo installation in "Préliminaires" exhibition Kenny Schachter/ROVE, London – Fruit & Flowers – group exhibition

Chaton Superstructures at the Liechtenstein Museum and TableScape architectural Jewellery at Sotheby's, Vienna

Osmosis commissioned by Swarovski Crystal Palace, Ex Magazzini di Porta Genova Milano – solo exhibition

Oratorio Basilica di S. Ambrogio, Milano – Prophets & Penitents, Confessions of a Chair – group exhibition

Galleria Nina Lumer, Milano – Love Design – group exhibition –

2008

Design Miami, Miami – Beyond Organic: Design In the State of Nature – group exhibition Kenny Schachter/ROVE, London – Diversion – group exhibition

Chatsworth, UK – Beyond Limits – group exhibition

Sudeley Castle, UK – The Artist's Playground – group exhibition Wright20, Chicago, IL – Absent Nature – solo exhibition

Barbara Davis Gallery, Houston, TX – Imperative Design – group exhibition Galerie Alain Gutharc, Paris – Propositions lumineuses 2 – group exhibition Galerie NumerisCausa, Paris – Il était une fois... – group

exhibition

2007

Kenny Schachter ROVE Projects LLP, London – Cosmic Nature - 2007
The Mews Gallery by Rabih Hage, London – Sitting Pretty – exhibition of photos by Jonathan Root, featuring a portrait of Arik Levy with his creation Identity Disorder
Dialogues méditerranéens, St. Tropez – BigRock – installation
Centre des arts, Centre des arts - L'Autre – solo exhibition
Drugstore Publicis, Paris – MiniMaxi – installation

2006

Baccarat, Paris – Phantom – installation
Passage de Retz, Paris – BigRock – permanent installation
Centre culturel français, Milan – République Libre du Design – installation
Organ
Passage de Retz / Mouvements modernes, Paris – Du Bois Dont On Se Chauffe – group exhibition

2005

Galerie Alain Gutharc, Paris – Propositions lumineuses – group exhibition
Centre Pompidou, Paris – D.Day – From primitive to virtual - installation
Garanti Gallery, Istanbul – Feel before you see – solo exhibition
National Glass Centre/Glass Gallery, Sunderland, UK

2004

Park Ryusook Gallery, Seoul – Love counts – solo exhibition
Victoria & Albert Museum, London – Brilliant – group exhibition

2002 and before

Hertzlia Museum, Israel
Video Zone Biennale – Two stars hotel – in collaboration with Sigalit Landau
Pascale Cottard-Ollsson Gallery, Stockholm – solo exhibition
Isart Contemporary Art Gallery, Munich – Virtual light
Isart Contemporary Art Gallery, Munich – Virtual/Religious' Sculpture Biennale
Ein Hod, Israel – Humanism
2020 Louisiana Museum, Denmark – Design og identitet
Sculpture Park, Jaffa, Israel – 1986

Museum acquisitions and collections

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The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago – Contemporary Domestic Confessional – 2010
Museum of Arts and Design, New York – Giant Giant Mega Heliodor – 2010
Triennale Design Museum, Milan – Meteorite drawing – 2009
Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris – installation Fractal Cloud – 2006
Seoul Arts Center, Hangaram Design Museum, Seoul – Umbilical Light – 2005
Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris – Handshake light – 2005
Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris – Piflow light – 2005
Victoria & Albert Museum, London – Umbilical ball and Umbilical knitted lights – 2004
Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris – Xm3 duo, Light pocket, Alchemy tube lights – 2002
Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris – Double layer chair, CD shelf – 2002
FNAC, Fond national d'art contemporain, Paris – Infinite light video – 2001
Israel Museum, Jerusalem – White hole light installation – 2001
Israel Museum, Jerusalem – Need light – 2000
Museum of Modern Art, New York – Need light – 1998

Collections

Bisazza Foundation, Montecchio Maggiore – RockChamber + ExperimentalGrowth series – 2012 HSBC Connection Collection / Volume 1 – Rockshelves + Rocksplit – 2009

Competitions and awards

2015

EDIDA 2015 (Elle Decoration International Award) 2015 – Lighting category – Wireflow pendants by Arik Levy for Vibia - Milan

Design Plus powered by ISH 2015 – Bowl collection by Arik Levy for Inbani - Frankfurt

2014

Design Plus powered by Light+Building 2014 : Best of Design Plus - Wireflow pendants by Arik Levy for Vibia – Frankfurt

Wallpaper* Design Awards 2014 – Best line work – Wireflow pendants by Arik Levy for Vibia – London

2013

Interior Design Best of Year 2013 – Best floor and sconce lighting – Fold by Arik Levy for Vibia – New York

2011

Good Design award : Pattern collection for EMU – USA

Design Plus powered by ISH 2011 award : best product – Structure collection for Inbani – Frankfurt

2010

Grand Prix Stratégies du Design 2010 : best Branding Packaging – bottle A Scent for Issey Miyake – Paris

2009

Red Dot Design Award : best product design 2009 – SH05 ARIE shelving system by E15 – Essen

The Interior Innovation Award, category "Best of the Best" - SH05 Arie shelving system by E15 – Köln

Wallpaper* Design Awards 2009 – Best new beds – Landscape by Arik Levy for Verardo – Italy Wallpaper*

Design Awards 2009 – Best shelving – Fluid by Arik Levy for Desalto – Italy

2008

JANUS Award for Industry, design and innovation 2008 – Log Light by Saasz – Paris Label VIA, Torch table lamp by Baccarat – France, 2008

Red Dot Design Award : best product design 2008 – Mystic collection by Gaia & Gino – Essen, Germany

ELLE Decoration International Design Awards 2008 – Designer of the year

Wallpaper* Design Awards 2007 – Best modular furniture – Cubic Meter by A. Levy for Kenny Schachter – London

Design PLUS Award 2008, Mitos glassware collection by Kvetna – Frankfurt Globes de Crystal Arts et Culture 2008 Paris Première – Best Designer – Paris

2007

JANUS Award for Industry, design and innovation 2007, Invisible system by Visplay – Paris Wallpaper* Design Awards 2007, Furniture designer of the year, finalist – London

Wallpaper* Design Awards 2007 – Best centerpiece – Mystic collection by Gaia & Gino – London

2006

Design PLUS Award 2006, Mystic vase by Gaia&Gino 2005

The Interior Innovation Award, category "Best detail" 4to8 table by Desalto – Köln

The Interior Innovation Award, category "Best detail" Liko glass table by Desalto – Köln Elle Decoration magazine Design Award for lighting (2nd edition)

2003

The Interior Innovation Award, category "Best of the Best" Liko table by Desalto – Köln

2002

Prix de l'Observateur du Design/APCI, Arik sofa by Ligne Roset – France

Grand Prix de la Presse Internationale de la Critique du Meuble Contemporain, Arik sofa by Ligne Roset – France, 2002

Label VIA, Arik sofa by Ligne Roset – France, 2002

2001

Cartier international office furniture and light system in collaboration with Vitra Label VIA, Slim stacking chair by Ligne Roset – France, 2001

George Nelson Award, Interior magazine, 2001

2000

Label Via, U cd shelf by Ligne Roset – France, 2000 iF Award light fixtures – Germany, 2000

L'Express Best of category Light – France, 2000 Carte blanche VIA – France

1999

Label VIA, Light Pocket lamp by Ligne Roset – France

Grand Prix de la Presse Internationale de la Critique du Meuble Contemporain, Cloud lamp – France Design

PLUS Award 1999, Ambiente Fair, Seed porcelaine lamp – Frankfurt

1997

Mouvement français de la qualité – posters for "Qualité 97" campaign – Paris, 1997 1991

Seiko Epson (International Art Center Award) – Japan, 1991