Nikola Stoyanov (1994, Varna) is a visual artist and independent researcher based in Sofia, Bulgaria. He works in the intersection of research based and speculative practices in both the artistic and academic fields. He has authored numerous exhibitions and texts on topics ranging from geo-philosophy and techno-paranoia to most recently post-soviet conspiratorial thought.

In his practice he is heavily inspired by the brute idea of photography as an unfinished project. Visually his work borrows techniques of scientific and technological abstraction interweaving the humanities with the technology.

Stoyanov also authors and translates philosophy and theory in several niches of contemporary thought such as theory-fiction, hauntology and the work of the CCRU. He is classically educated in philosophy and history of technology in the United Kingdom.

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS ↓

2024 - Postcards and Contraband

2023 - Nature Morte

2022 - Latent Space

2022 - Re:Process

2021 - <u>I-Ixa</u>

2021 - In:Process

2019 - Music for a New Night Life

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## PROJECT EXHIBITIONS ↓

2024 - The Last Good Party

2024 - Black Fax off the Hook

2024 - You'll Understand When the Time Comes

2023 - Postcards and Contraband

2023 - Exemplary Home

2023 - Death Valley

2022 - Humour is the politeness of despair

2022 - Grey Zone/Dispositive

2022 - The Big MONUMENT of the Small Past

2021 - Allegorical Impulse

## EDUCATION ↓

2021 - Teachers Degree | DIKPO, Varna (BG)

2016 - Philosophy and Sociology | University of Sussex, Brighton (UK) | BA Hons

2013 - Computer Science | Technical High School, St. Clement of Ohridski, Varna (BG)

2012 - Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English | *British Council* | CPE, Sofia (BG)

## CRITIQUE ↓

2024 - <u>The grammar of historical images</u> Liuboslava Hristova | Sofia University Culture Centre

2024 - <u>Contraband and the Offshore</u> Vera Mlechevska | Sofia University Culture Centre

2024 - <u>Writings on the Varna tetra-pods</u> Nora Goleshevska

2023 - <u>Towards a geosophy of the catastrophe</u> Filip Stoilov | "St.Kliment Ohridski University" Culture Center

2023 - <u>Kintsugi. Dealing with trauma in the summer of 2023</u>

Boyana Djikova | "St.Kliment Ohridski University" Culture Cener

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#### PUBLICATIONS ↓

2024 - On the Border of Life

Article in "BORDERS" Simulacrum Magazine | Amsterdam (NL)

2023 - <u>Postcards and Contraband</u> Published by H. Kaloyanov | ISBN: 978-619-92510-1-0

2023 - <u>Nature Morte</u> Published by H. Kaloyanov | ISBN: 978-619-92510-0-3

2023 - <u>Places of Ecological History</u> In "Journal for Social Vision" | Sofia (BG)

2022 - <u>Latent Space</u> Self Published

2022 - <u>The Ontological Status of Generative Art</u> In "Derzine" Magazine | Sofia (BG)

2023 - <u>In:Process</u> Published by H. Kaloyanov | ISBN: 978-619-188-514-5

# LECTURES AND TALKS ↓

2024 - On the trail of a trivial insight
Discussion accompanying the exhibition Postcards

and Contraband, Charta Gallery 21 April 2024 with the participation of Raina Markova and Hristo Kaloyanov

2024 - <u>Paranoid Semiotics</u>

Talk given at "The Evident" conference, hosted by Culture Center "St. Kliment Ohridski" University

2024 - Theoretical fictions and para-literature Talk given at "Genres in Paraliterature" conference, hosted by Literature Theory departments | "St. Kliment Ohridski" University and Bulgarian Science Association

2024 - <u>Accelarationism Today</u>
Talk given at book presentation for Mark Fisher's
"Capitalist Realism" hosted by "KOI" books publishing

#### TRANSLATIONS ↓

2024 | Time, Memory and Inner Space | J. G. Ballard in Literature Newspaper (UPCOMING)

2024 | What I believe | J.G. Ballard translation for "New Asocial Poetry"

2022 | Having a blast | J. G. Ballard

2022 | Cyberpositive | Nick Land, Sadie Plant

2021 | A short history of Geotrauma | R. Mackay

2021 | The Minesota Declartion | Wernor Herzog

2021 | Knots | R. D. Laing translation for "New Asocial Poetry"

2021 | Killing the Love | Anne Sexton translation for "New Social Poetry"

2020 | The Xenofeminist Manifesto | Labboria Cubonics

2020 | Corona Demonology | Jason Mohaghegh

# INTERVIEWS AND MEDIA COVERAGE (selection) ↓

2024 - Art Viewer

2024 - <u>Bulgarian National Television</u>

2024 - EuroNews TV

2024 - Bulgarian National Radio

2024 - Newspaper Bulgaria Today

2024 - <u>Radio Program Horizont</u>

2023 - Bulgarian Telegraph Agency

2023 - <u>Bulgarian National Radio</u>

2023 - News Paper Utro

2023 - Bulgarian National Television

2023 - Bulgarian National Radio

2023 - Bloomberg TV

2023 - Darik Radio

2023 - Bulgarian Telegraph Agency

2023 - Boy Scout Magazine

2022 - Bulgarian National Radio

2021 - Bulgarian National Television

2021 - BoyScout Magazine

2021 - Dnevnik

2021 - Bulgarian National Radio

# OTHER WORK ↓

2024 - Technical artist Custom code and 3D print work for Aksian Peycheva's exhibition "LOOK - Ecology and Technology"

2024 - Technical artist Video work for Hristo Kaloyanov in exhibition "Last Good Party"

2022 - Visual identity for "Euphoria Brew"

2021-25 - Live video installation and VJ work many artist and collectives including "Voke Starman", "Haus Hamalli" and "Electic" Collective as VJ and lighting artist for several event and parties.

# Member of $\downarrow$

2024 - Foundation "Temporary Space" Founding member of "Temporary Space" foundation