



Studio away from Studio : Artists in COVID19 Quarantine

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- Where are you? Do you have Quarantine? Since when?
- *I live in my studio, I'm mostly in my studio anyway. For ten days, I was at Kunsthalle Wil to install my solo show which was due to open on April 4th, but never did (so far)*
- How many times do you leave your house? Are you with family and/or pets?
- *I leave my house several times, to go grocery shopping or for walks/bike rides in the everlasting, almost surreal sunshine.*
- How are you feeling?
- *Ok, very focused. Also sad sometimes, socially. And worried, globally.*
- Are you making work? If so, is there a difference since the quarantine, such as inspiration, motivation, productivity, etc?
- *I'm making work, I'm very concentrated since there are far less distractions.*
- Are you making something new or working on something you started before the quarantine?
- *both*
- Are you making any work related to Covid19?
- *No, not directly*
- Has it changed any future art projects you had in mind or planned?
- *Yes, some projects were cancelled and/or postponed or unclear*

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- Has it changed any exhibition plans?
- *same*
- Has the medium changed due to limited resources or due to staying at home instead of studio?
- *No. Since I work mostly with video, I can calmly browse through all my material*
- Is art helping you stay sane?
- *definitively*
- Do you have another job that has been affected?
- *Yes, a teaching job, which will be held online. I'm currently figuring out how to do this.*
- Are you reaching out to other artists?
- *yes*
- Do you feel the art world has come to a stop?
- *No, but to a transformation*
- If you are staying at home, do you see your home differently?
- *My plants look healthier since I care better for them.*
- What do you miss the most as an artist during this quarantine?
- *Openings. Events. Museums. Meeting people, friends, family. Thrift stores, Hardware stores. Traveling.*