Ser Serpas

Born 1995, Los Angeles, California Lives and works between New York, Paris, and Tbilisi

Education

2021 MFA, HEAD, Geneva, Switzerland2017 BA, Columbia University, New York, New York

Solo Exhibitions

- Hall, Swiss Institute, New York, New York
 I fear (J'ai peur), Pinault Collection, Bourse de Commerce, Paris, France
 Tool, Maxwell Graham, New York, New York
- 2022 HEAD BANGER BOOGIE, Galerie Barbara Weiss, Berlin, Germany Monakhos, LC Queisser, Tbilisi, Georgia
- 2021 Guesthouse, LC Queisser, Tbilisi, Georgia Ser Serpas, Balice Hertling, St Martin + Gravilliers, Paris, France Ser Serpas and Elene Chantladze, Conceptual Fine Arts, Milan, Italy
- 2020 *Models*, Karma International, Zurich, Switzerland *Two Take Red Series*, Karma International, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2019 *Against Attachment*, curated by Franziska Sophie Wildförster, Ludlow 38, New York, New York *Stars are Blind*, with Sitara Abuzar Ghaznawi, curated by Lisa Offermann, LC Quiesser, Tbilisi, Georgia *what we need is another body*, curated by Mohamed Almusibli, Truth and Consequences, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2018 *Bare Teeth*, with Bri Williams, curated by Luis Miguel Bendaña and Sam Lipp, Queer Thoughts, New York, New York *you were created to be so young (self-harm and exercise)*, curated by Fredi Fischli and Niels Olsen, LUMA Westbau, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2017 Dust Patterns, Quinn Harrelson/Current Projects, Miami, Florida
- 2016 Dumbo Open Studios, with Donna Huanca, Smack Mellon, Brooklyn, New York

Group Exhibitions

- 2024 Acacia Seeds, Galerie Balice Hertling, Paris, France Imperceptible Figure, Hot Wheels, Athens, Greece The Uncanny House, Museum Casa di Goethe, Rome, Italy Trucs Machins et Bidules (Nooks & Crannies), Galerie Christophe Gaillard, Brussels, Belgium Whitney Biennial 2024: Even Better Than the Real Thing, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, New York
- 2023 AGORA, Musée d'art moderne et contemporain Genève, Geneva, Switzerland Fallen Angels, City SALTS, Basel, Switzerland It's Personal, OCDChinatown, New York, New York Looking Back: The 13th White Columns Annual, White Columns, New York, New York Man in House, Institut Funder Bakke, Silkeborg, Denmark P-O-T-B-O-I-L-E-R-S, Quinn Harrelson Gallery, Los Angeles, California The First Finger, Bonner Kunstverein, Bonn, Germany The First Finger, Haus am Waldsee, Berlin, Germany

2022 24h, Braunsfelder, Cologne, Germany

A Maze Zanine, Amaze Zaning, A-Mezzaning, Meza-9, David Zwirner, New York, New York A Mimetic Theory of Desire, David Lewis Gallery, New York, New York And Your Flesh Is My Greatest Poem, curated by Mohamed Almusibli, Antenna Space, Shanghai, China From One Fetish to Another, curated by Carlye Packer, Carlye Packer, Los Angeles, California Hamishi Farah, Ser Serpas, SoiL Thornton, Maxwell Graham/Essex Street, New York, New York HOUSE TAKEN OVER, Milieu, Bern, Switzerland Exposition N° 120 (maybe), Balice Hertling, Paris, France L'arcobaleno riposa sulla strada—The rainbow rests on the road, Istituto Svizzero, Rome, Italy Mettere al Mondo il Mondo, curated by Mark Godfrey, Thomas Dane Gallery, Naples, Italy SIREN (some poetics), curated by Quinn Latimer, Amant, New York, New York Sketch for Summer, Karma International, Zurich, Switzerland The Puppet Show, Centre d'Art Contemporain Genève, Genève, France

- 2021 Dora Budor: Autoreduction, Progetto, Lecce, Italy Evidently Chickentown, Wartesaal Wipkingen, Zurich, Switzerland Love in the Times of ..., curated by Gianni Jetzer, Hotel Europe, Zürich, Switzerland MINOR RATIONALISM, Baader-Meinhof, Omaha, Nebraska Ouverture, Pinault Collection, La Bourse de Commerce, Paris, France Oxygen Biennial 2021 - Rites of Passage, Tbilisi, Georgia Palai, Palazzo Tamborino Cezzi, Lecce, Italy Prix Matsutani – Lauréats 2017-2020, Shoen Fonds de Dotation, Paris, France Still Time, Fitzpatrick Gallery, Paris, France "The Sun Also Rises," Jenny's, New York, New York
- 2020 CORPOREALITY when can a body be said to exist, CUADRO22, Chur, Switzerland Group Show, Karma International, Zurich, Switzerland Made in LA, curated by Myriam Ben Salah and Lauren Mackler, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, California Notes on Entropy, Arcadia Missa, London, UK Sculpture Garden Biennial, Geneva Biennale, Geneva, Switzerland The Phantom Moves Through Space And Through Different Bodies, Kevin Space, Vienna, Austria Untitled, 2020, Pinault Collection, Punta della Dogana, Venice, Italy
- 2019 A Home is not a House, curated by Nicolas Brulhart, Fri Art, Kunsthalle Fribourg, Fribourg, Switzerland Dog Days, curated by Olivier Babin, Clearing Gallery, Brooklyn, New York Kreislaufprobleme, curated by Anna Gritz, Croy Nielsen, Vienna, Austria Tissue, curated by Elizabeth Lamb and Sophie Morner, Company Gallery, New York, New York We Shall Survive in the Memory of Others, curated by Bärbel Trautwein and Daniel Herleth, Galerie Barbara Weiss, Berlin, Germany
- 2018 Obsequies, curated by Manuel Arturo Abreu, AA|LA, Los Angeles, California Putting Out, curated by Taylor Trabulus and Reba Maybury, Gavin Brown's Enterprise, New York, New York READYMADES BELONG TO EVERYONE, curated by Fredi Fischli and Niels Olsen, Swiss Institute, New York, New York SOMETHING IN MY HOUSE, Karma International / Gavin Brown's enterprise / VIVA Projects, Paris, France Who loves in the world, curated by Harry Burke, Canton Gallery, Guangzhou, China Who Wants to Be Human All the Time, curated by Jenny Schlenzka and Bjarne Melgaard, Performance Space, New York, New York
- 2017 All Fine Figures, curated by Kenta Murakami, Osmos Address, New York, New York
 Black Mirror: SPRING/BREAK Art Show #2345, with Rindon Johnson, curated by Teriha Yaegashi, Spring/Break Art Show, New York, New York, New York
 Cabin Pressure, curated by Quinn Harrelson, BBQLA, Los Angeles, California
 Clay Club, with Hayley Silverman, SculptureCenter, Long Island City, New York
 Entre Nous, curated by Andreas Waris, Bad Reputation, Los Angeles, California

Eric Schmid is an Idiot, curated by Eric Schmid for Kavita B Schmid and What Pipeline, Cave Gallery, Detroit, Michigan *Prick Up Your Ears*, curated by Taylor Trabulus, Karma International, Los Angeles, California *Soc or Barb*, Collaboration with Hannah Black, Bodega Gallery, New York, New York *strap your hands across my engine*, curated by Camille Schefter and Thomas Linder, Tin Flats, Los Angeles, California *Undergraduate Visual Arts Senior Thesis Exhibition*, LeRoy Neiman Gallery, New York, New York

2016 Authority Figure, curated by Monica Mirabile and Sarah Kinlaw, Knockdown Center, Maspeth, New York Date Night: An Art Salon by Elliott Brown Jr., curated by Elliott Brown Jr., 475 Kent Avenue, Brooklyn, New York Hopes and Fears: The Next Four Years, curated by The Curators, Pace University Gallery, New York, New York

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- 2018 Carman, Based on the Opera, König Books, London, UK
- 2017 *amores perros*, Publishing House, New York, New York *Shade the King*, Capricious, New York, New York