

## Hande Şekerciler

Hande Şekerciler (b. 1982, Bursa, Turkey) attended Marmara University, studying in the Department of Arts and Crafts Education from 1998 to 2002.



Şekerciler is a sculptor renowned for her figurative forms, crediting her influences being artworks of the Hellenistic and Renaissance periods. These periods act as stimuli from which Şekerciler experiments with forms to explore social issues in her sculptural work. The nude sculpted figures from her *Ecstasy* series reject clothing, accessories, and even hair to remove them from gendered and societal labels. This so-called 'purification' is an attempt to create characters at "peace with their sexuality and orientation who embrace their existence". Her interest in technology and new production techniques help her to add a contemporary edge to classical forms.

Şekerciler is also running a side project, an artistic duo called *ha:ar*, with Arda Yalkin, where they search for ways of incorporating digital technology into traditional arts, merging the two to create a new meeting of aesthetics. Şekerciler was awarded the *Residency Unlimited* in New York in 2018.

## Hande Şekerciler CV

b. 1982- Bursa, Turkey

Lives and works between Istanbul, Turkey & New York, USA

### Solo Exhibitions

- 2022 *Electric Mannerism*, JD Malat Gallery, London, UK
- 2021 *Ecstasy*, CerModern Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2018 Gaia Gallery, Organised by Unilever Turkey benefit of Cancer Warriors Foundation, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2018 *Zerre by ha:ar*, Residency Unlimited, New York, USA
- 2015 *Monophobia*, Gaia Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2010 *Siradakiler*, Gallery Selvin, Istanbul, Turkey

### Selected Exhibitions

- 2023 *Summer Exhibition*, JD Malat Gallery, London, UK
- 2022 *Summer Exhibition*, JD Malat Gallery, London, UK
- 2021 *Summer Exhibition*, JD Malat Gallery, London, UK
- 2019 *Portrait*, Taner Ceylan Studio, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2019 *Summer Exhibition*, JD Malat Gallery, London, UK
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- 2016 *The Call of Marsyas*, Gaia Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2016 *Mystery of Figure*, Plato Sanat, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2016 *Alter Hero*, Gaia Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2015 *On Paper*, Gaia Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2014 *Batteries Not Included*, Gallery Linart, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2013 *Friendship 2*, Artist Causa Gallery and Technohoros, Athens, Greece
- 2012 *Warhola*, Alan Istanbul, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2012 *Group Exhibition*, Cagla Cabaoglu Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2012 *Friendship 1*, Artis Causa Gallery, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2009 *My Name is Casper*, Sumerbank Building Karakoy, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2009 *İhsan Oktay Anar Symposium Exhibition*, Bilgi University, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2008 *Artist 18. Istanbul Arts Exhibition*, Casa Dell'Arte, Istanbul, Turkey

- 2008 Art Bosphorus Contemporary Arts Exhibition, Artium Arts Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2008 *Summer Exhibition*, Casa Dell'Arte, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2007 *Taking Action*, The Hall, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2007 *35th Anniversary Exhibition of Terakki Art Gallery*, Terakki Art Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2007 *Island Ferry Contemporary Arts Exhibition*, Island Ferry, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2007 *Mulayim Taarru*, Gallery X, Istanbul, Turkey

### Selected Art Fairs

- 2022 *Contemporary Istanbul*, JD Malat Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2019 *Contemporary Istanbul*, JD Malat Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2017 *Contemporary Istanbul*, Gaia Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2016 *Contemporary Istanbul*, Gaia Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2015 *Contemporary Istanbul*, Gaia Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2014 *Contemporary Istanbul*, Gaia Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2012 *Contemporary*, Alan Istanbul, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2011 *Contemporary Istanbul*, Cagla Cabaoglu Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2011 *Art Bosphorus Contemporary Art Fair*, Cagla Cabaoglu Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2009 *19. Artist Art Fair*, Tuyap, Istanbul, Turkey

### Museum Exhibitions

- 2016 *Fugitive Shadow*, Elgiz Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2015 *Plaza Worker*, Elgiz Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2015 *Small Faces, Large Sizes*, Elgiz Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2014 *Teras Sergileri < 40*, Elgiz Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2013 *Are You As Great As Your Shadow*, Cer Modern, Ankara, Turkey

**Residencies**

- 2018     *Residency Unlimited* New York, USA  
2018     *Artist Alliance International* New York, USA  
2018     *18<sup>th</sup> Street Arts Center* Los Angeles, USA

**Prominent Collections**

Odunpazari Modern Museum (OMM), Turkey

Selected Works



**Hande Şekerciler**

*ecstasy self-portrait no:1, 2020*

Bronze with Custom Made  
Chemical Patina

92 x 112 x 101 cm



**Hande Şekerciler**

*ecstasy no:2, 2019*

Custom made chemical patina  
on bronze

83 x 44 x 22.5 cm