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Born 1957 in Vienna

Lives and works in New York and Vienna

Solo Exhibitions

- 2026 *Storage*, House of Gaga, Mexico City
- 2024 *your clouds your hair your laketown*, dépendance, Brussels
It's a Capriccio, Diana, Milan
- 2023 *Hypostasicisms*, Layr, Vienna
El Comercio de los Lamentos Finos, House of Gaga, Mexico City
- 2022 *Ulysses*, Greene Naftali, New York
- 2021 *The Mephisto Hours*, Galerie Buchholz, Berlin
- 2020 *Spirits and Objects... and How Non-Productive Love is Sometimes Contained in Them...*, Kunstverein für die Rheinlande und Westfalen, Düsseldorf (catalogue)
- 2019 *How to be an Angel Painter*, Galerie Francesca Pia, Zürich
The Prototype, Gaga, Los Angeles
- 2018 *Tears and New Tears*, Greene Naftali, New York City (catalogue)
- 2017 *Invitation Epiphany*, curated by Gergana Todorova, Künstlerhaus Bremen, Bremen, Germany
- 2016 *Rainy Day and Hundred of Water and Everything*, dépendance, Brussels
The Postors, Goton, Paris
Loyalties, House of Gaga, Mexico City
- 2015 *A Turtle Dreaming (... Echoes from an Encapsulated Space Exiled Sounds of Letters Requiring Symphonic Treatment)*, Secession, Vienna
- 2014 *Turtled + 8 Paintings + Yellow Brown Blue*, Tempo Rubato, Tel Aviv
The New World, Application for Turtle Island, The Renaissance Society, University of Chicago, Chicago (catalogue)
My Divided House, Vilma Gold, London
- 2013 *Greetings from our Garden of Condesa*, The Jewels of Moctezuma, Thea Westreich Art Advisory Services, New York
Uebersetzungsbuero – Office for Duplication, Galerie Buchholz, Berlin
EDITION REPETITION COMPETITION, House of Gaga, Mexico City
Redemption, House of Gaga, Mexico City
- 2012 *Exercises ab initio...*, Greene Naftali, New York
- 2011 *3 Exercises: anrufen, bekennen, wegwerfen*, Galerie Francesca Pia, Zürich
- 2010 *The Balalaika Movement*, dépendance, Brussels
The Why Does This All Happen To Me Experience, House of Gaga, Mexico City
Vienna and Jerusalem (with Martin Guttman), Pro Choice, Vienna
- 2009 *The Oriental Therapies*, Galerie Buchholz, Berlin
Vorschlag zur Erneuerung durch die Leselampe der Schreiber, WHITE HEAT, presented by Künstlerhaus Stuttgart / Hermes und der Pfau, Stuttgart, Germany
Iniquities Suspend, Rowley Kennerk Gallery, Chicago
- 2008 *18Iniquities*, Greene Naftali, New York
A Dissidence Coincidence But WHCTLJS, Malmö Konsthall, Malmö, Sweden (catalogue)
lamb: The limbo of vanity (with R.H.Quaytman), Vilma Gold, London; Malmö Konsthall, Malmö, Sweden
- 2007 *Voices and Substitutes*, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam
Voices, Galerie Buchholz, Cologne

- Why Doesn't my Plant Grow Anymore? and other works of lament* by Josef Strau, Vilma Gold, London
The Tabernacle on Rosa-Luxemburg-Platz, Institut im Glaspavillon, Berlin
 2006 *Don't Climb the Pyramids*, Greene Naftali, New York
 c/o Anna-Catharina Gebbers, Ziegelstrasse, Berlin, invited by Yilmaz Dziewior
 2002 *Nazis of Suburbia*, Greene Naftali, New York (catalogue)
 1998 a, Galerie Christian Nagel, Cologne
SUUM SUUN AKVY `73, Laden Schillerstr. 32, Berlin Kunstbüro 1060, Vienna with "The Nazis of Suburbia"

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2026 *Literature*, Turquoise, New York
Lebt und arbeitet in Wien, *Contemporary Art from Vienna*, Kunsthalle Wien, Vienna
Ornament & Information, GERTIE, Chicago Cultural Center
- 2025 *Mobile Energy*, Ravnika Projects, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Love Sick, Sentiment, Zürich, Switzerland
TURNING PAGES: Artists' Books of the Present, MAK - Museum of Applied Arts, Vienna
Clarissa, Soft Commodity, London
Lost at Sea (Ulysses), The Elizabeth Myers Mitchell Art Museum at St. John's College Art Museum, Annapolis
the chair by the window is an old friend, Anonymous Gallery, New York
- 2023 *Tous les jours*, Galerie Chantal Crousel, Paris
A Crooked World, Drei, Cologne
- 2022 *The Den*, House of Gaga, Mexico City
Identity Not Proven: New Acquisitions for the Federal Art Collection, Bundeskunsthalle, Bonn, Germany
Scouring, Meredith Rosen Gallery, New York
- 2021 *After all, a collection is only human*, curated by Richard Venlet, Museum Dhondt-Dhaenens, Villa
 Vandenbussche, Tielt, Belgium
Greene Naftali East Hampton, East Hampton, New York
The Rear Window, dépendance, Brussels
The Last Tenet, curated by Mario Garcia Torres, Masa Galería, Mexico City
Greene Naftali Gallery at Galerie Chantal Crousel: Arrangement in Gray, Galerie Chantal Crousel, Paris
- 2020 *Painterly – From Warhol and Twombly to Today – Paintings from the Museum Brandhorst*, Neues Museum
 Nürnberg, Nuremberg, Germany
 Busan Biennale, Busan, South Korea
Mike's, Svetlana Gallery, New York
- 2019 *Holy Village*, Bodega, New York
 « Il este une fois dans l'Ouest », Frac Nouvelle-Aquitaine MÉCA, Bordeaux, France
- 2018 *dog chews shoes*, Ampersand, Lisbon
Role Models, curated by Robert McKenzie, Hopkinson Mossman, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2017 *Souvenir*, curated by Inga Danysz, Natalia Rolón and Ana Vogelfang, Alto Refugio, Paternal, Buenos Aires
Section Littéraire, Kunsthalle Bern, Bern, Switzerland
Passages of Neo-Avantgarde, curated by Eulalia Domanowska, Austrian Cultural Forum, Warsaw, Poland;
 traveled to the Polish Institute, Budapest, Hungary
Infected Foot, Greene Naftali, New York
L'Image, Galerie Francesca Pia, Zürich
18 in Relation to a Spectator, conceived by Studio for Propositional Cinema, Kestner Gesellschaft, Hanover,
 Germany
- 2016 *Quodlibet*, Lempertz, Brussels
The Thea Westreich Wagner and Ethan Wagner collection, curated by Christine Macel, Elisabeth Sussman, and
 Elisabeth Sherman, Centre Pompidou, Paris
Pure Fiction, Marian Goodman Gallery, Paris
Night Thoughts, curated by Jody Graf, CCS Bard, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York

- Und eine Welt noch*, Kunsthaus Hamburg, Germany
The Squatter, Guadel de Stampa, Paris
- 2015 *to expose, to show, to demonstrate, to inform, to offer*, curated by Matthias Michalka, Museum moderner Kunst
 Stiftung Ludwig Wien, Vienna (catalogue)
Works on Paper, Greene Naftali, New York
Welcome You're in the Right Place, organized and designed by AIRBNB Pavillion, Fondazione Sandretto Re
 Rebaudengo, Turin, Italy
Opposite the Other Side, Sommer Contemporary Art, Tel Aviv
Turtles plus eight Paintings plus Yellow Brown Blue, Tempo Rubato, Tel Aviv
- 2014 *The Hawker*, Carlos/Ishikawa, London
No Such Thing as History: Four Collections and One Artist, Espace Louis Vuitton München, Munich
On Radical Juxtaposition, Halle für Kunst, Lüneburg, Germany
Abandon the Parents, curated by Henrik Olesen, Daniel Buchholz and Christopher Müller, Statens Museum for
 Kunst, Copenhagen
A Needle Walks Into a Haystack, Liverpool Biennial, curated by Anthony Huberman, Liverpool (catalogue)
House of Gaga presents Single Moms, Vilma Gold, London
The Promise, Arnolfini, Bristol, United Kingdom
Staging Interruptions (Stream of Life), curated by Sarina Basta and Mary Rinebold, Southard Reid, London
Fax, KARST, Plymouth, United Kingdom
Abandon the Parents, curated by Henrik Olesen, Daniel Buchholz, Christopher Mueller, Statens Museum for
 Kunst, Copenhagen
- 2013 *Counter-Production (Part 2)*, Index – The Swedish Contemporary Art Foundation, Stockholm
XMAS Show, Galerie Francesca Pia, Zürich
Illuminations, curated by Matthew Higgs, Richard Telles Gallery, Los Angeles
La Poussiere de la Soleil, Real Fine Arts, New York
Some Redemptions, curated by Josef Strau, Soloway, New York
The Whole Earth, curated by Diedrich Diederichsen and Anselm Franke, Haus der Kulturen und der Welt, Berlin
Petrone/Petrole, curated by Vincent Romagny, Gallery Air de Paris, Paris
Hat on Hook: The Best, Disjecta Contemporary Art Center, Portland, OR
Letter Tunnels, Frieze, London
 Galerie der Stadt Schwaz, Schwaz
Pétrone/Pétrole, curated by Vincent Romagny, Air de Paris, Paris
Frieze Projects, London
- 2012 *Florbelles (after Sade)*, Air de Paris, Paris
La Demeure Joyeuse II, Galerie Francesca Pia, Zürich
Perros Negros Presents Perros Negros, A Post-Posteriori, New Jersey, Basel
Counter-Production, Generali Foundation, Vienna
How do it know? Essex Street, New York
The Piano Lesson, Vilma Gold, London
Donde el lenguaje es el material, Casa del Lago, Mexico City
Keine Zeit, curated by Bettina Steinbrügge, 21er Haus, Vienna
- 2011 *Time Again*, SculptureCenter, New York
A Different Person, Badischer Kunstverein, Karlsruhe, Germany
FAX, Carpenter Center for the Visual Arts, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts
Dystopia: After 4000 Years of Sci-Fi, CAPC, Bordeaux, France
Alphabets and Instruments, Galerie Buchholz, Berlin
Nobody can tell the why of it, curated by Esperanza Rosales, 1857, Oslo
Novel, dépendance, Brussels
Today I Made Nothing, Elizabeth Dee, New York
The Pursuer, Greene Naftali, New York
The Evryali Score, David Zwirner, New York
The Baghdad Batteries, MoMA PS1, Long Island City, New York
At Home/Not At Home: Works from the Collection of Martin and Rebecca Eisenberg, CCS Bard Hessel

- Museum of Art, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY
Negation, Subtraction, Dissolution, arranged by Front Desk Apparatus, Kantor Gallery, Los Angeles
Josef Strau and Clegg&Guttman, Pro Choice, Vienna and Jerusalem
The Inhabitants, Vilma Gold, London
Light from Light, curated by Kim Machan, MAAP, State Library of Queensland, Brisbane and Shanghai Library, Shanghai
The Milk Drop Coronet, Camera Austria, Graz, Austria
- 2009 *Collecting History: Highlighting Recent Acquisitions*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles
My Summer Show, Galerie Lelong, Paris
FAX, The Drawing Center, New York
The Space of Words, MUDAM, Luxembourg
Berlin-Los Angeles-A Tale of two (Other) Cities, Massimo de Carlo, Milan
On Top of the Whale, Mitchell Alpus Gallery, New York
evas arche und der feminist (carte blanche), The Front Room, Contemporary Art Museum, St. Louis
Scorpio's Garden Temporäre Kunsthalle, Berlin
The Space of Words, Musée d'Art Moderne Grand-Duc Jean, Luxembourg
Quodlibet II, Galerie Daniel Buchholz, Cologne
Looking Back, White Columns, New York
- 2008 *iamb: Through the Limbo of Vanity: R.H.Quaytman + Josef Strau*, Vilma Gold, London
Galerie Catherine Bastide and dépendance, Brussels
Works on Paper by Gallery Artists and Ricci Albenda, Greene Naftali, New York
Manifesta 7, Trentino, Italy
One Season in Hell, Mehringdamm 72, Berlin
Neutre Intense. It's gonna rain, curated by Christophe Gallois, Maison Populaire, Montreuil
Novel, curated by Matt Williams, Bibliothekeswohnung, Anna-Catharina Gebbers, Berlin
- 2007 *Secret-Flix*, Neue Alte Brücke, Frankfurt
Years-In-Review-Installation, organized by Josef Strau, Vilma Gold, London
Door Slamming Festival, curated by Dominic Eichler, Mehringdamm 72, Berlin
dépendance at Galerie Neu, Galerie Neu, Berlin
Wonderwall—Constructing the Sublime, curated by Anna Catharina-Gebbers, Tomio Koyama Gallery, Tokyo
Shandyismus, curated by Helmut Draxler, Wiener Secession, Vienna
New Domestic Landscape, curated by Caroline Nathusius, kjubh Kunstverein e.V., Cologne
design by accident, Croy Nielsen, Berlin
Tbilisi 4: Everyday is Saturday, Cumberto/Space, Tbilisi, Georgia
- 2006 *...ICAL KRBBR PRDLY PRSNTS GART JAS, JON KLSY, JOSF STRA*, Portikus, Frankfurt
Looking Back, White Columns, New York
Next to Kin, Galerie Buchholz, Cologne
Minotaur Blood, curated by Gionata Bonvicini, Galerie Fortescue Avenue, London
La maman et la putain, curated by Eva Svennung, Air de Paris, Paris
Our Marvellous Ambition, Vilma Gold Project Space, Berlin
Make Your Own Life: Artists In and Out of Cologne, Institute of Contemporary Art, Philadelphia; curated by Bennett Simpson (Additional Venues: Power Plant, Toronto; Henry Art Gallery, Seattle, 2007) (catalogue)
Von der Abwesenheit des Lagers, Kunsthaus Dresden, Dresden, Germany
- 2005 *The Gone Wait*, curated by Tobias Buche, Gagosian Gallery Berlin
Possession, curated by Dominic Eichler, Paul-Linke-Ufer, Berlin
- 2004 *Müllberg*, Galerie Buchholz, Cologne (catalogue)
Zeichnungen, curated by Ariane Müller, Werkleitzbiennale, Halle
Für völligen Arbeitsschutz, Wandbilder, WBD, Berlin
Editionen 4 Jahre WBD, Berlin
Quodlibet, Galerie Buchholz, Cologne
- 2003 *Photo +*, Greene Naftali, New York
Photo +, Prague Biennale 1, Prague

- Arbeitsschutz, Wandbilder*, WBD, Berlin
Editionen 4 Jahr, WBD, Berlin
- 2002 *The Nazis of Suburbia*, ("Ökonomien der Zeit"), curated by Hans-Christian Dany and Astrid Wege, Museum Ludwig, Cologne
Pictures, Greene Naftali, New York
- 2000 *The Inheritance, Video for Coal By Any Other Name*, organized by Stephan Dillemath, Colin De Land Fine Art, New York
hey, international competition style, curated by Amelie von Wulffen and Dirk Schmidt, TENT, Rotterdam
Produktivität und Existenz, organized by Die Beute, Bethanienhaus, Berlin
Deutsche Kunst in Moskau, Central House of Artists, Moscow
Snowflake Office, organized by Clemens Krümmel, Greene Naftali, New York
- 1999 *The Castle (with Amelie von Wulffen)*, Snowflake Office, Galerie Ursula Walbröl, Düsseldorf
- 1998 *SUUM SUUN AKVY `73* with "The Nazis of Suburbia", Laden Schillerstr. 32, Berlin Kunstbüro 1060, Vienna
- 1997 *Die krumme Pranke*, Video with Alice Creischer, Andreas Siekmann, Amelie von Wulffen
- 1993 Friesenwall 120, Cologne, co-curated with Stephan Dillemath (1990-1993)
Galerie Christian Nagel, Cologne
Pat Hearn Gallery, New York (with Stephan Dillemath)
Parallax View: New York-Cologne, P.S.1 Contemporary Art Center, New York
Four Walls, New York (with Stephan Dillemath)
- 1991 Galerie Christian Nagel, Cologne
Kunstraum Daxer, Munich (with Stephan Dillemath)
- 1990 Raum Münzstrasse 10, Hamburg (with Cosima von Bonin)

Screenings

- 2017 *Portikus XXX*, curated by Franz Hempel and Fabian Schöneich, Portikus, Frankfurt

Monographs and Catalogues

- 2022 Birkenstock, Eva and Josef Strau. *Spirits and Objects ...and How Non-Productive Love Is Sometimes Contained in Them...* Cologne: Verlag der Buchhandlung Walther und Franz König.
- 2018 Strau, Josef. *Tears and New Tears*. New York: Greene Naftali.
- 2015 Banks, Eric, ed. *Collected by Thea Westreich and Ethan Wagner*. New Haven and London: Yale University Press: 236-237.
Buchmann, Sabeth, Helmut Draxler, Karol Kraus, et al. *To expose, to show, to demonstrate, to inform, to offer: Artistic Practices around 1990*. Cologne: Verlag der Buchhandlung Walther König: 108-109; 172-173.
Strau, Josef. *Dreaming Turtle*. Vienna: Secession.
- 2014 Strau, Josef. *The New World 1, The Applications*. Chicago: Renaissance Society.
Strau, Josef. *The New World 2, Travels in Turtle Island*. Chicago: Renaissance Society.
- 2012 *Dealing With – Some Texts, Images and Thoughts Related to American Fine Arts, Co.*, Sternberg Press, 2012
- 2011 *Time Again* exh. catalog. Long Island City: Sculpture Center: 10-13.
- 2010 Strau, Josef. "Alongside the Abstract Plane, Dots and Bangs of Latent Evidence and True Relativity Exposed", in *Wolfgang Tillmans*, Serpentine Gallery, London.
- 2008 Strau, Josef. *A dissidence coincidence, but W.H.C.T.L.J.S.* Malmo: Malmo Konsthall.
- 2006 Strau, Josef. *My Light The-Cologne-in-Review-Lamp*.
Strau, Josef. *Nazis of Suburbia*. New York: Greene Naftali.
Strau, Josef. *Part III: The Bad Conscience*. Lübeck: Anna-Catharina Gebbers.
Strau, Josef: "The Non-productive Attitude", in: *Make your Own Life. Artists In and Out of Cologne*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania.

- 2005 *Die Anrufung/The Invocation*, in: *Amelie von Wulffen*, Kunstverein Düsseldorf/Kunstmuseum Basel.
 "Time structure and Passerbys" in *Susanne Winterling*, Shanghai Duolun Museum of Modern Art, Shanghai
- 2004 "Zu Josef Kramhöllers Buch" in *Josef Kramhöller*, Kunstverein Düsseldorf.
 Strau, Josef. *Part II: Dear Little Tiger*. Berlin: Galerie Buchholz.
- 2003 Strau, Josef. "Cafe Voss" in *Sergej Jensen/Stefan Müller*, Kunstverein Braunschweig.
 "Haare wachsen, wie sie wollen" in *Isa Genzken*, Verlag der Buchhandlung Walther König, Cologne.
 Strau, Josef. *Part I: White nights*. Copenhagen: Pork Salad Press.
- 1997 "Die wir soziale Intervention" (with A. Siekmann) *A.N.Y.P.*, Berlin.
- 1996 "Kultur für Alle," *Messe 2ok*, Cologne.
 Strau, Josef. "Kontinuität am Beispiel des Stadtplaners Roland Rainer" demontage Nr. 11, Wien.

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- 2023 Cepeda, Gaby. "Josef Strau – House of Gaga." *Artforum*, September: 220.
- 2022 "Josef Strau, Ulysses, Greene Naftali." *Manhattan Art Review*. 1 October: Web.
 Strau, Josef. "Dream Developing." *May Revue*. June: 34-40.
- 2020 Tenaglia, Francesco, "Josef Strau 'Spirits and Objects... and How Non-Productive Love Is Sometimes Contained in Them...'" Kunstverein für die Rheinlande und Westfalen / Düsseldorf" *Flash Art*. November 23: Web.
- 2019 Strau, Josef. Interview with Enzo Shalom. "You Are Like Him: Josef Strau." *Mousse*. Issue 68: 46-49.
 Tarasoff, Sabrina. "The Prototype." *X-TRA*. 7 November: Web.
- 2017 Strau, Josef. Interview with Anna Gritz. "The Universe Narrates Itself." *Spike*. Spring: 125-138.
- 2015 Banai, Nuit. "Retrospective Radicalism." *Texte zur Kunst*. September: 193-195.
 Higashino, Yuki. "Critic's Picks: Josef Strau." *Artforum*. 30 May: Web.
- 2014 Schaar, Elisa. "Josef Strau." *Artforum*. May: 330.
 Schillinger, Jakob. "Josef Strau." *Artforum*. September: Web.
- 2013 Strau, Josef. "My BC Years." *Bernadette Corporation*. London, Cologne: Verlag der Buchhandlung Koenig.
 Strau, Josef. "Mike Kelley." *Artforum*. May: 318-319.
 Strau, Josef. "Lazy Susan." *New York: A.P.E.*: 27-39.
- 2012 "Josef Strau." *Time Out New York*. 28 June–4 July.
 Howe, David Everitt. "Josef Strau's Throwaway Economy." *Afterall*. 17 May: Web.
 Scrimgeour, Alexander. "Counter Production." *Artforum*. October: 120.
 Strau, Josef. "What is Counterproductiveness? What is Osipism? And a Few More Counterproductive Questions." *Counterproductive*. Vienna: Generali Foundation.
 Strau, Josef. *Mr. Knife and Mrs. Fork*. Cologne: Verlag der Buchhandlung Walter Koenig.
- 2011 Nordby Wernø, Johanne. "Critics' Picks: Nobody Can Tell The Why Of It." *Artforum*. August: Web.
Kaleidoscope Blog! May: Web.
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Semiotext. June: Web.
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 Strau Josef. "What should one do." *Time Again, Novela*: 10-14.
- 2010 Griffin, Tim. "Today I Made Nothing." *Artform*. December.
 Strau, Josef. Interview with Dominic Eichler. "Artist Project - #21." *Mousse Magazine*. Issue 23. April–May: 77-79.
 Strau, Josef. "Why working together with an inner Voice." *MAY*. No. 4. June: 131-134.
 Strau, Josef. "'Exploration of Self', on Birgit Megerle." *Texte Zur Kunst*. No. 77.
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- Wolfgang Tillmans. London: Serpentine Gallery: 16-18.
- 2009 Strau Josef. "Alex Hubbard." *BOMB*. No. 111, Spring Issue.
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 Prince, Mark. "Josef Strau, Daniel Buchholz." *Art in America*. October: 180.
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 "Josef Strau, Daniel Buchholz." *Art in America*. October.
- 2008 Krümmel, Clemens. "Inklusive Prägung der Initialen." *Texte zur Kunst*. No. 75: 239-244.
 Strau, Josef. "Ei Arakawa: A Non-Administrative Performance Mystery." *Parkett*. No. 84: 158-168.
 Burge, Russell. "Critic's Pick, Josef, Strau, Greene Naftali Gallery" *Artforum*. December.
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 Hermes, Manfred. "Next to Kin." *Frieze*. Issue 104. January/February: 196.
- 2006 Cotter, Holland. "Looking Back." *New York Times*. December 1.
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- 2000 "Geheimnis der Mode." *Texte zur Kunst*. No. 40.
- 1999 "Ein Gang durch das Jüdische Museum." *Texte zur Kunst*. No. 36.
- 1996 "Kontinuität am Beispiel des Stadtplaners Roland Rainer." *demontage* Nr. 11, Vienna.

- 2025 *Teases and Synthesis; Empty Threats, Vienna Love and Anxiety Reality Paradoxes, curated by Kristoffer Cezinando Karlsen and Josef Strau at City Galerie Wien and Layr, Vienna*
- 2013 *Some Redemptions, Soloway, New York*
- 2010 "Laphroaig – Lagavulin – Magarita: Charles Bernstein and Josef Strau" (public reading event), organized by Jay Sanders, SculptureCenter, New York
The Day Grew Dark, a lecture by Juliette Blightman from the "no re-admittance" series featuring Josef Strau, Chantal Akerman, Axel Wieder and New Order, Künstlerhaus Stuttgart, Stuttgart, Germany
Vienna and Jerusalem, with Clegg/Guttman, Lucy Indiana Dodd and Sergei Tcherepnin Pro Choice, Vienna
- 2008 *Grand Openings*, with Ei Arakawa etc. MUMOK – Museum Modern Kunst Stiftung Ludwig Wien, Vienna
- 2007 *Shandyismus* with Sergej Jensen, Wiener Secession, Vienna
Riot the Bar with Sergej Jensen and Stephan Mülller, curated by Ei Arakawa, NGBK – Neue Gesellschaft für Bildende Kunst, Berlin
Why Doesn't my Plant Grow Anymore? and other works of lament by Josef Strau, Vilma Gold, London
- 2006 "Meerrettich On Ice," organized by Josef Strau, Volksbühne Sternfoyer am Rosa-Luxemburg-Platz, Berlin
 Kunsthallfestival, with Sergej Jensen, KBH Kunsthall, Copenhagen
The Galleries Show, with Jay Sanders, Kunsthal Extra City, Antwerp
- 2005 *Alphabet*, with Paulina Olowska and Daniel Yamada, Joanna Zielinska, Galerie Meerrettich, Berlin
- 2004 Co-curated "Now and Ten Years Ago", KW Institute for Contemporary Art, Berlin
- 2002-2008 Curator of Galerie Meerrettich in the Glass Pavilion at the Volksbühne, Rosa-Luxemburg-Platz, Berlin
- 1990-1993 Co-curated Friesenwall 120, Cologne

Public Collections

Bundeskunstsammlung – The Federal Collection of Contemporary Art, Germany
 Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh
 Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris
 Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles
 Whitney Museum of American Art, New York
 ZKM Center for Art and Media Karlsruhe, Karlsruhe