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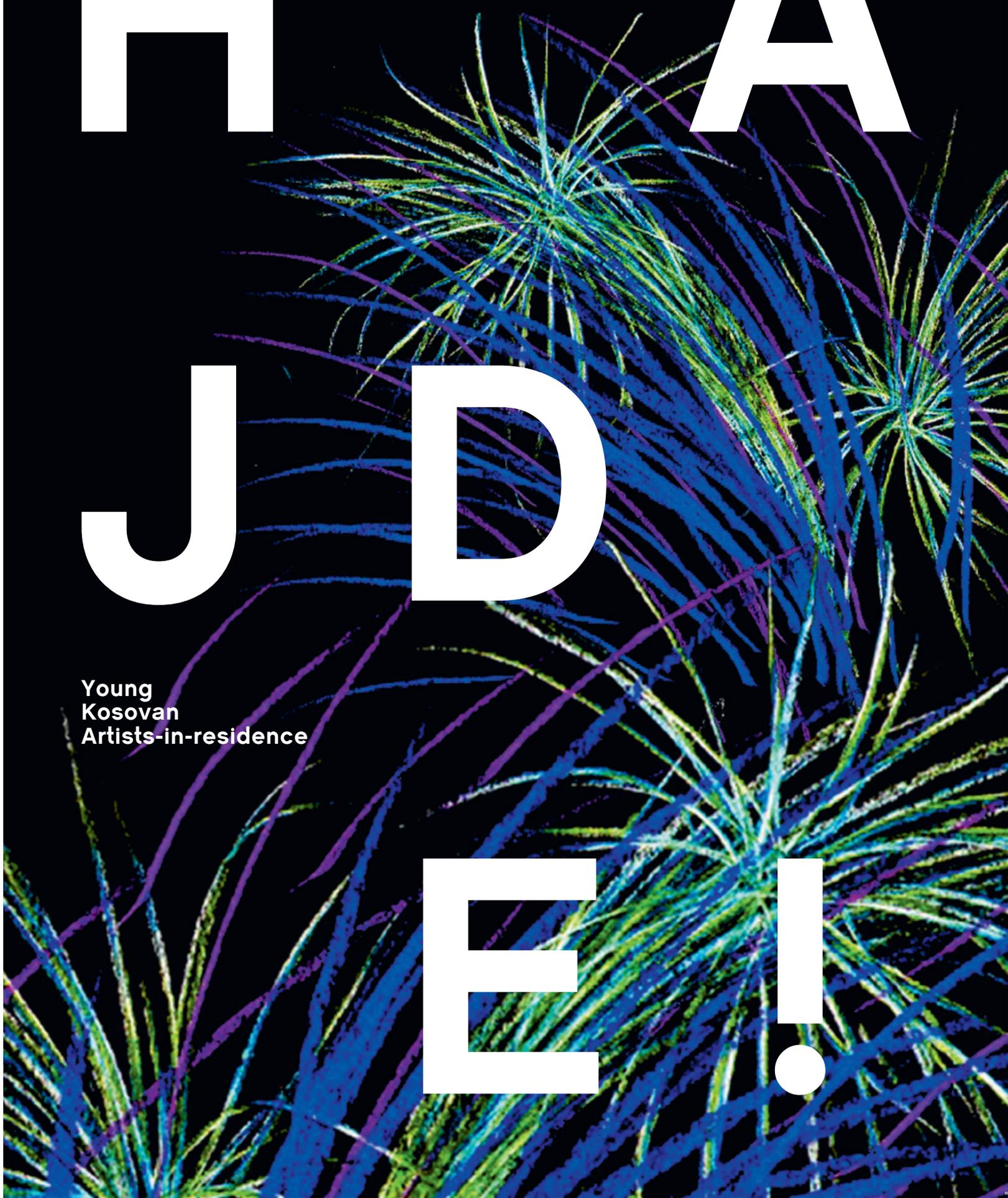
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SHQIPE JONUZI

Shqipe Jonuzi's main material is traditional typography, which she employs in the form of sculptures and installations as an interface between the consumer's body, text and urban chaos. Jonuzi (born 1988) also writes poetry and has participated in events such as the Mediterranea 16 Biennale in Ancona in 2013.

QËNDRESË DEDA

Qëndresë Deda (1988) was born in Pristina. Graduated at the Faculty of Arts of the University of Pristina, Department of Graphic Design (2008–2010). Deda is an artist who works across different media usually putting herself in a role of an object and subject. When using photography she treats the camera as a mirror. Although her works appear to be very personal and intimate she deals with the phenomena of her immediate surroundings. The photographs from the D series, made during the period of five years, document and depict wishes, dreams, fears and nothingness. She mostly used Facebook space to present them.

<https://www.facebook.com/qendrese.deda.7>

YLL XHAFERI

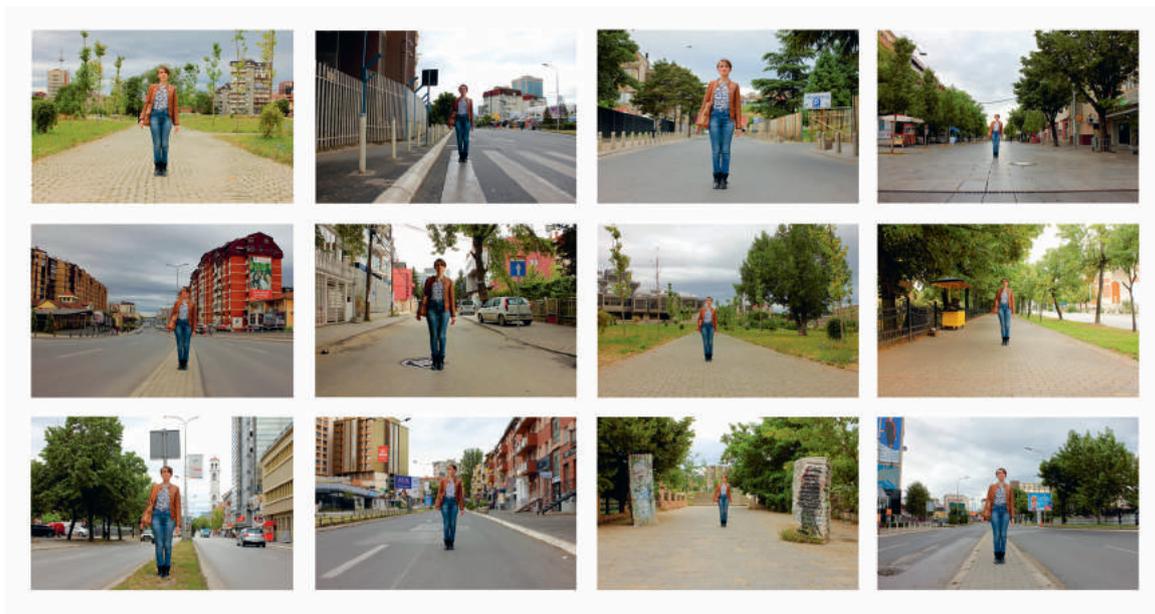
Yll Xhaferi's artistic path led from paintings to public spaces and landscapes. His interventions explore the gap between individual and social identity "under construction". In 2012 Xhaferi (born 1988) was awarded the Young Visual Artist Award by the National Gallery of Kosovo.

DARDAN ZHEGROVA

Dardan Zhegrova (1991) is an emerging multi disciplinary artist living in Pristina. He uses various media and is a firm believer in creating different platforms, especially the internet to dispense his work. Last year, Zhegrova shifted the two week artist in residence program from Florence to Pristina, in an attempt to become 'a permanent artist in residence'. By using the tools and the resources provided by the program "Here", he attempted to create a sustainable, permanent working space in a setting where such spaces are in-existent.

www.behance.net/dardanzhegrova





SHQIPE JONUZI – *Cracked to the core*, 2013 – Installation -- *Where is me*, 2014 – Photographs



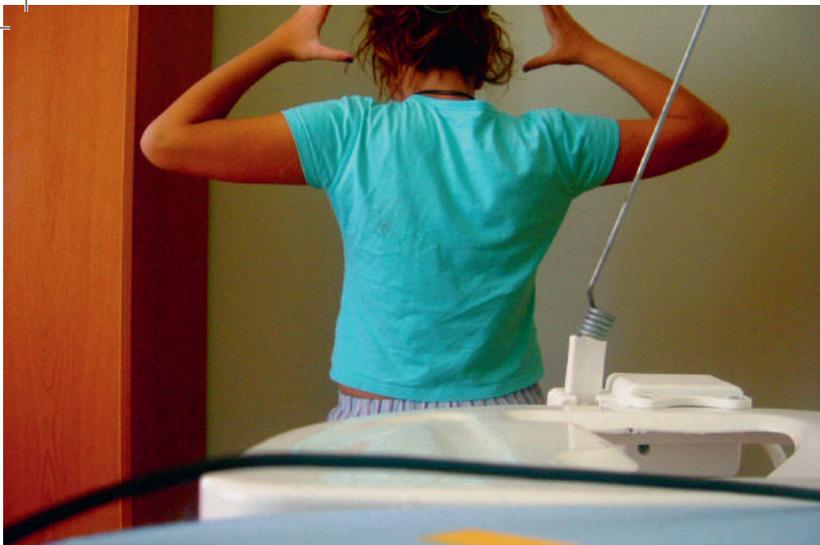
SHQIPE JONUZI – *No Identity*, 2012 – Mixed media -- *Nobody dares beat you!*, 2014 – Video installation



QËNDRESË DEDA -- Body Parts, 2014



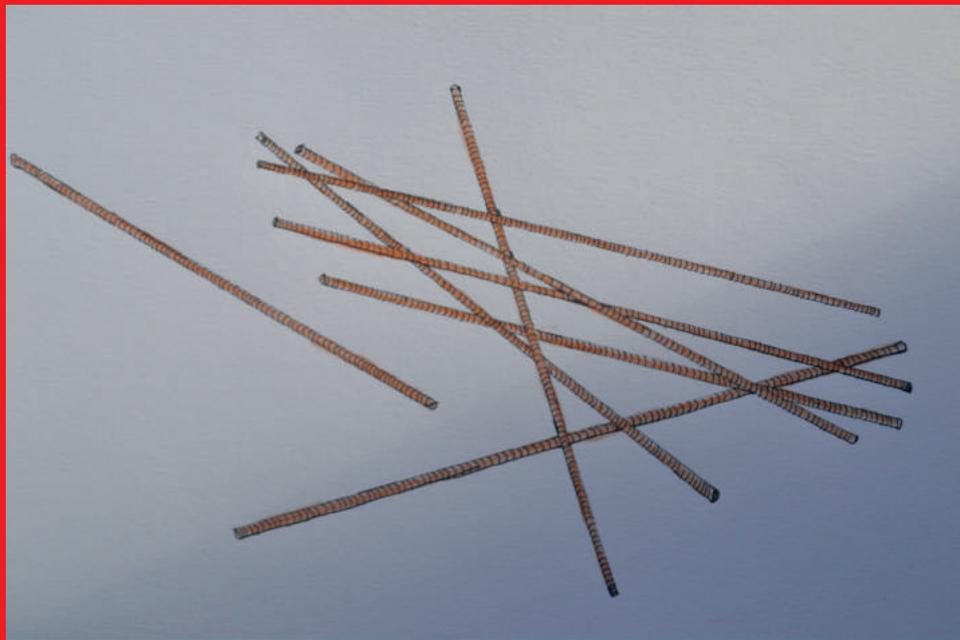
GËNDRESË DEDA – Me, space and time, 2014



QËNDRESË DEDA – Surreal! (How do I distinguish between reality and the desire I have for it), 2014











DARDAN ZHEGROVA – *Here*, 2014 – *Video Session 1 - Let's stay connected*, 2'47"



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EXCHANGE PROGRAMME FOR YOUNG ARTISTS FROM KOSOVO AT VILLA ROMANA

Young artists / artist groups from Kosovo were invited to spend a short residency at Villa Romana, Florence, for a period up to two weeks. Participants were offered a guest room for free at Villa Romana and they received a grant to cover their travel / visa expenses and a per diem. The programme was initiated by the artist Petrit Halilaj who was awarded the Villa Romana prize 2014. The residency programme for young artists from Kosovo is part of his ongoing collaborative exchange project which will continue in 2015. A jury consisting of Petrit Halilaj, Filipa Ramos (curator in Milan and London) and Angelika Stepken (director of Villa Romana) selected the participants in an open call.

Invited artists:
Shqipe Jonuzi
Gendrese Deda
Yll Xhaferi
Dardan Zhegrova

AUSTAUSCHPROGRAMM FÜR JUNGE KÜNSTLER AUS DEM KOSOVO IN DER VILLA ROMANA

Junge Künstler / Künstlergruppen aus dem Kosovo wurden zu einer Kurzresidenz (bis zu zwei Wochen) in die Villa Romana, Florenz eingeladen. Die Teilnehmer hatten freie Unterkunft in den Gästezimmern der Villa Romana und erhielten ein Stipendium, um Reise- und Aufenthaltskosten abzudecken. Das Programm wurde initiiert von Petrit Halilaj, Villa Romana-Preisträger 2014, und ist Teil seines längerfristigen Kooperationsprojekts, das 2015 fortgeführt wird. Die Gastkünstler aus dem Kosovo wurden in einem offenen Wettbewerb von den Juroren Petrit Halilaj, der Kuratorin Filipa Ramos (Mailand/Rom) und Angelika Stepken, Leiterin der Villa Romana, ausgewählt.

Eingeladene Künstler:
Shqipe Jonuzi
Gendrese Deda
Yll Xhaferi
Dardan Zhegrova

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