Neža Kokol



Personal data

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Skills and qualifications

English (fluent) French (fluent) Slovenian (fluent) Spanish (basics)

Photoshop Indesign Lightroom Premiere Pro

Academic writing
Creative writing
Editing
Photography
Film making
Film editing (basic skills)
Scale model making

Grants and awards

Scholarship of the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Slovenia for undergraduate studies abroad, Ljubljana, 2017-2022

Mlado Pero, Delo nomination for Best young critic award, Delo, Ljubljana, 2021

MC Visser funding for the graduation project 2022

Education

Gerrit Rietveld Academie, Architectural Design program, Amsterdam, 2017-2022

One year exchange in the Department of literature and film at Charles University in Prague 2020-2021

University of Michigan, Good with Words: Writing and Editing Specialization, Online course, October 2021-January 2022

Work experience

Intern, Architecture office Triiije, Ljubljana, summer of 2018

 Worked on the project for the competition for Venice Biennale of Architecture 2018

Art Critic, Koridor - Križišča Umetnosti, Ljubljana, February 2021-Feb 2022

• Writing reviews of literature, film, and exhibitions

Intern, Petrohradska Kolektiv, Prague, summer of 2021

• Doing extensive interviews with the artists in residence, documenting the works, setting up exhibitions, proofreading, editing

Intern, Stigter van Doesburg gallery, Amsterdam, December 2021-May 2022

• Writing press releases, doing interviews, setting up exhibitions

Bookseller, Mladinska knjiga, Ljubljana, November 2022-May 2023

• Working in the bookstore, ordering books, advising clients

Co-organizer, Itn. Festival October 2022-today

co-organizing, moderating

Event coordinator, Vodnikova domačija, Ljubljana, December 2022-July 23 PR, event coordination, communication with artists, sound engineers and the technical crew, making orders, taking care of payments, press releases ...

Journalist, Airbeletrina, January 2023-today

Writing articles, essays, reviews and doing interviews with writers

Journalist RTV the leading national public service broadcaster, July 3

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Selected publications

Spaces Inverted - graduation work, 2022

 A fragmented novel about the kinds of spaces that we cannot rationalise but feel instead; the ones existing in our bodies and minds

Whose City?, Mladina Magazine, 2021

• An article on the importance of autonomous spaces in the light of gentrification written for a special edition of the most influential political magazine in Slovenia

Love is a beast with two heads: about the drama and poetry of Urša Majcen, Delo, 2021

• I was selected for a special section for young critics in the biggest Slovenian newspaper Delo, where they later on published my literary critique

Poems, Provinca Magazine, 2021

• 3 of the poems were selected and published in a literary magazine

Veronika?, Essay, SNG Maribor, 2021

• An essay on the role of women in Drago Jančar's classic I Saw Her That Night published in a publication of the Slovenian National Theatre as a part of the staging of the play, the biggest production so far

Simulacrum magazine, 2021-22

• 3 pieces of writing published based on the open call selection

The one about a tea house blown away by a tornado, Večer, 2022

• An article on the importance of safe spaces in light of gentrification

Interviews with Renata Salecl, Pia Prezelj and Cristina Morales

• interviews conducted for a literary platform Airbeletrina

Exhibitions

Garden of Strange Fruits, Art Room Mina, Amsterdam, 2019 UNCUT exhibition, Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam, Amsterdam, 2020 Photography exhibition, Jazz ma mlade, Maribor, 2019 Political Bodies, Holland Festival, 2020, Roem 2022