

Liviu Bulea



Artist statement

My art is closely connected to the place where I am, and the experiences that place offers me. I consider myself a collector, I collect stories, memories of the places and people around.

I can be considered “a social practice installation artist”. I recover seemingly useless material fragments that come from precise contexts. The hospital’s wall where I was treated when I had cancer (“About white”), the city’s sidewalk where I had grown up, and pieces of concrete from a mall that was built over a community.

My staging mechanism is very deep and requires further research. The concrete dust covering my hometown is transformed into a painting or sculpture that recalls the trauma of a community deeply affected by post-revolutionary changes in Romania. In Turda, when it rained, the vegetables turned into concrete because of the cement dust expelled in the atmosphere by the nearby factory. I depict the traumatic process into an emotion-making installation that creates unusual attention to some social processes lost in selective memory.

Education

- 2011-2013 **MA Graphic Arts**
University of Arts and Design, Cluj Napoca
Romania
- MA Psychopedagogy and psychology of children**
University of Arts and Design, Cluj Napoca
Romania
- 2012 **Internship**
Freies Museum Berlin, Germany
- 2008-2011 **BA Graphic Arts**
University of Arts and Design, Cluj Napoca
Romania
- BA Psychopedagogy and psychology of children**
University of Arts and Design, Cluj Napoca
Romania
- 2009-2010 **Erasmus scholarship**
ASP Katowice, Poland

Residencies

- 2019 **AIR Urban Nation**
Stiftung Berliner Leben, Berlin, Germany
- 2018 **Styria-Artist-in-Residence**
(St.A.i.R.), Graz, Austria
- Residency at Reactor de Creatie si Experiment**
CCI Fabrika, Moscow, Russia
- 2016 **Residency at Kultur Kontakt Austria**
offered by Chancellery of Austria, Vienna,
Austria
- 2013 **Residency at Visual Kontakt Gallery**
Oradea, Romania

Personal exhibitions

2019 **Berlin Street Stories**
AIR URBAN NATION Berlin, Germany

2018 **Under The Grey Dust**
Creart Gallery, Bucharest, Romania

#808080 - Pfeiffer Vacuum Romania
Apahida, Cluj, Romania

Installation/scenography for the theatre play
Body of Defiance
Reactor de Creatie si Experiment, Cluj
Napoca, Romania

2017 **#808080 - Iaga Gallery**
Cluj Napoca, Romania

BBTGOGIAWIA
Shelter Club, Amsterdam, Netherlands

2016 **Simulacrum**
Parallel Vienna, Vienna Austria

2015 **Crypto 2**
Make A Point Gallery, Bucharest Romania

2014 **Crypto 1**
Reactor de Creatie si Experiment, Cluj
Napoca, Romania

2013 **Sold Out**
Visual Kontakt, Oradea, Romania

Cancerilizare
Casa Matei Gallery, Cluj Napoca, Romania

Group exhibitions

2020	L'Art s'invite dans l'industrie 2.0 Energom, Cluj Napoca, Romania	Diversitas Reactor de Creatie si Experiment, Cluj Napoca, Romania	Muian Visual Kontakt Gallery, Oradea, Romania
2019	Re:start Muzeum of Art, Cluj Napoca, Romania	WOW Visual Kontakt, Cluj Napoca, Romania	Genesis Jurmala City Museum, Jurmala, Latvia
	Seen in Berlin POINT - Cultural Hub, Bucharest, Romania	2017	2010 Poster/Plakat ASP Katowice, Poland
	OBIECT. Călător prin istorii publice și personale National Museum of Contemporary Art, Bucharest, Romania	Dead Gardens Visual Kontakt, Cluj Napoca, Romania	4th edition of the international Student Biennale Novi Sad, Serbia
	Walter Koschatzky Kunst-Preis HOFSTALLUNGEN of the MUMOK, Vienna, Austria	Habitus Iaga Gallery, Cluj Napoca, Romania	
	Künstler*innenbücher von Stipendiat*innen des Landes Steiermark Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek, Graz, Austria	War of Worlds Nationa Muzeum of Art, Constanta, Romania	
		War of Worlds MORA Gallery, Bucharest, Romania	
		Mazipos Laboratory VK, Oradea Romania	
2018	BB8 after BB8 CAC, LANDSKRONA, Sweden	2016	Unnatural Circumstances Visual Kontakt Gallery, Cluj Napoca, Romania
	BUCHAREST BIENNALE 8 Bucharest, Romania	2015	Local Municipalities Laboratory VK



Under The Gray Dust
Installation on canvas
2020



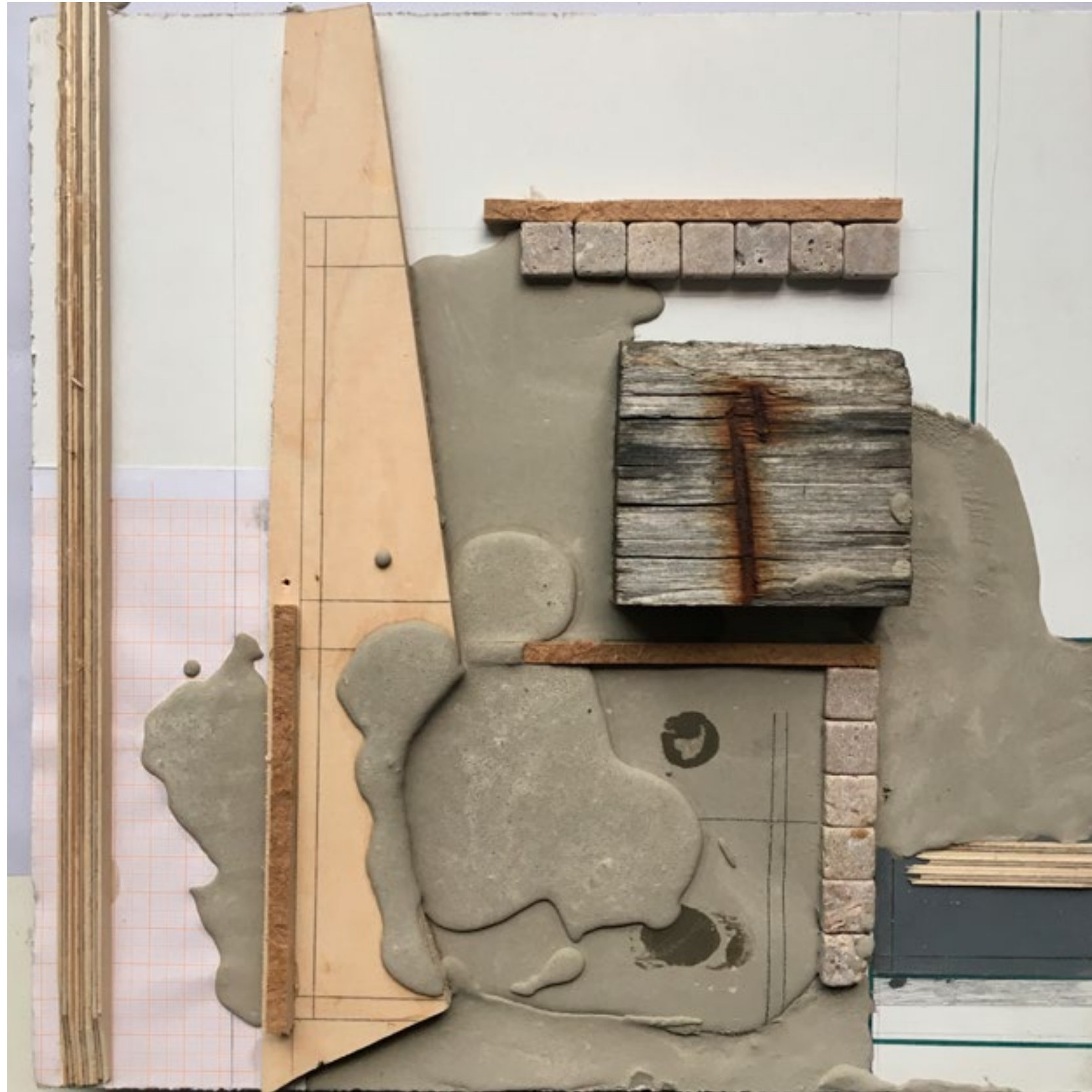
Under The Gray Dust
Installation on canvas
2020



Cityscape
Mixed media on cardboard
2018



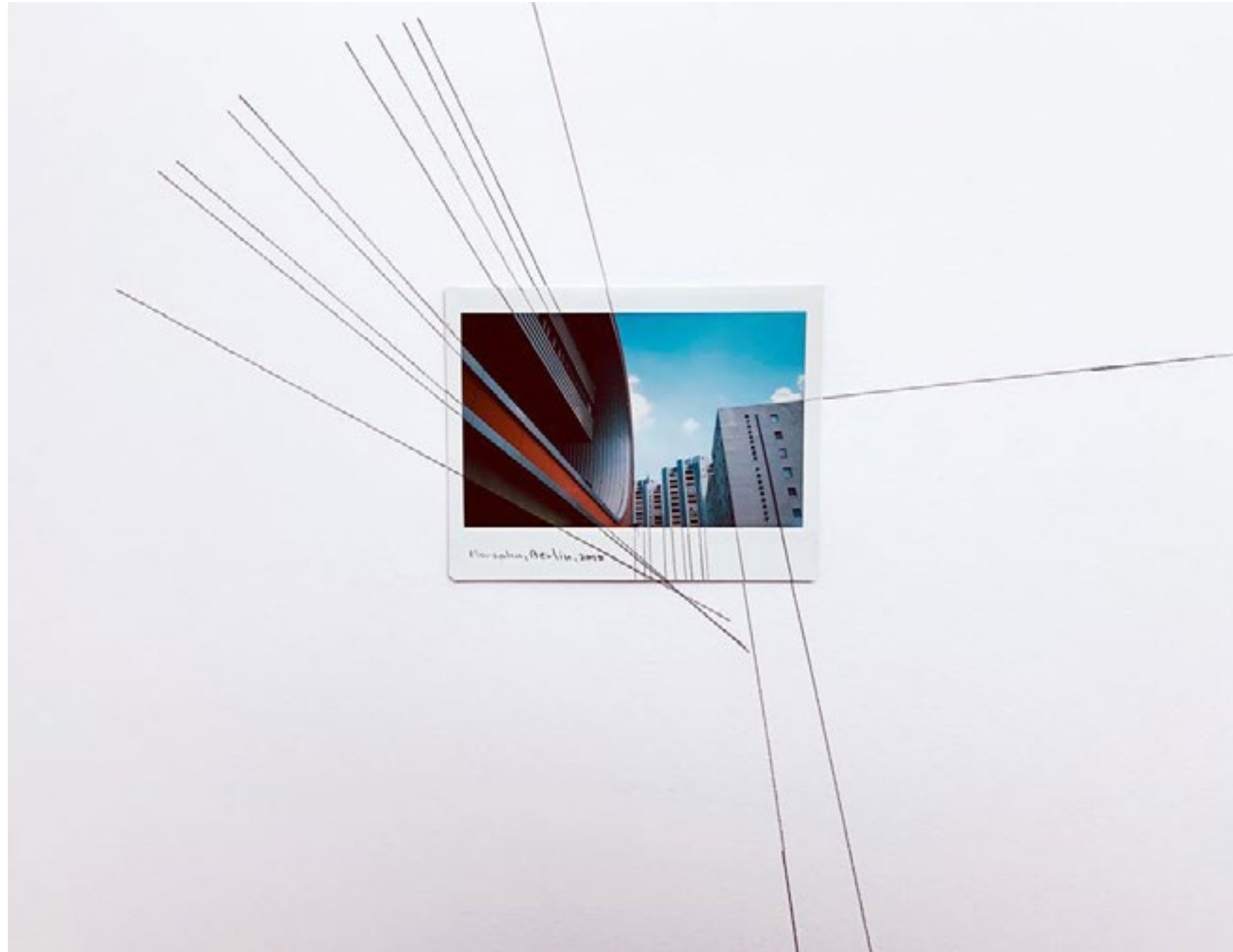
Cityscape
Mixed media on cardboard
2018



Cityscape
Mixed media on cardboard
2018



Contaminated (2)
Mixed media on canvas
2020



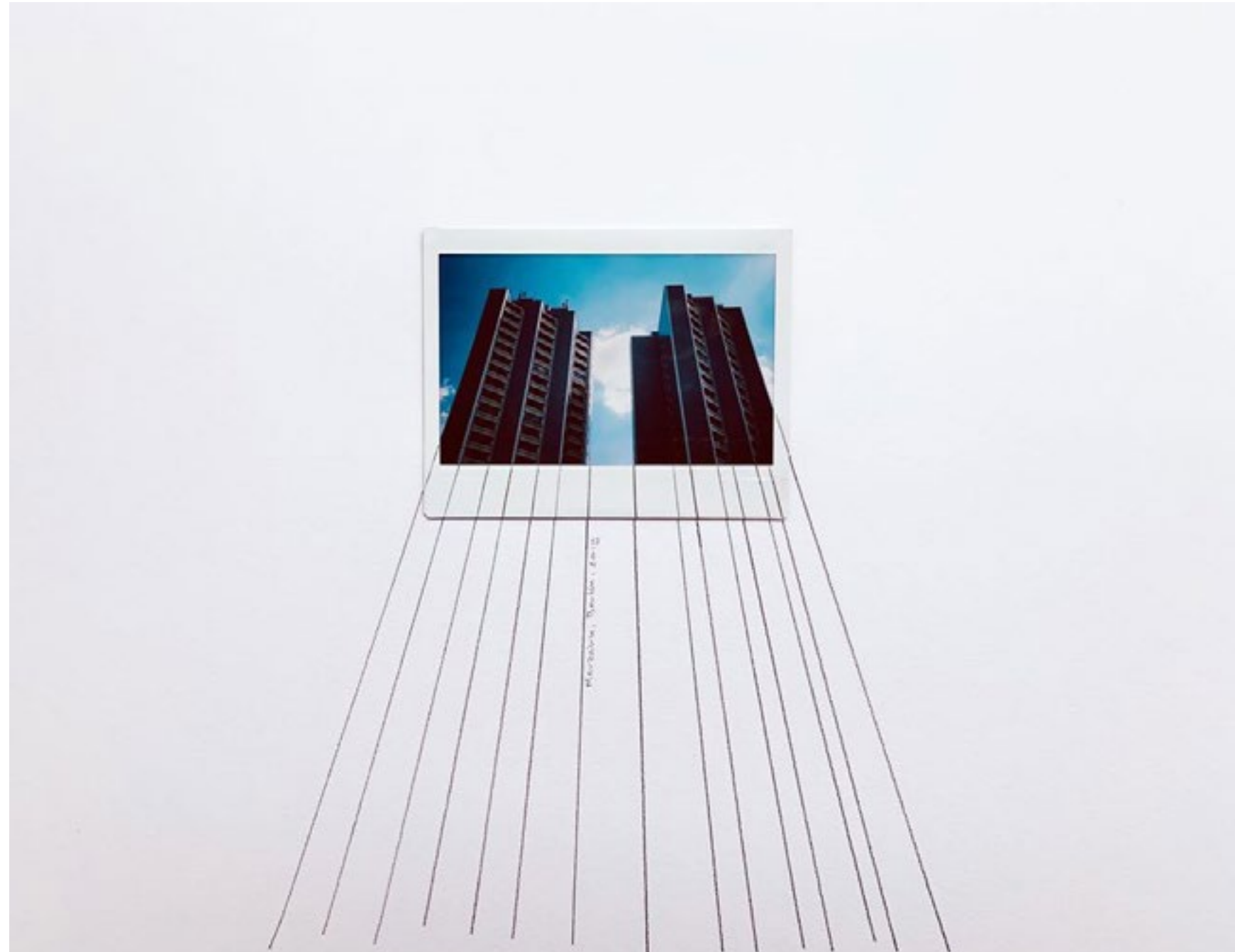
Marzahn, Berlin

Drawing, tape, instant photo on paper
2019



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