



Zbyněk Baladrán (born 1973 in Prague, Czechoslovakia) is an author, visual artist and curator. He studied art history at the Charles University Philosophical Faculty in Prague from 1992-1996, and from 1997-2003 at the Prague Academy of Fine Arts in the studio of visual communication. He is one of the co-founders and a curator of Galerie display, which was established in Prague in 2001, and in 2007 merged with tranzit.cz into tranzitdisplay, where he continues to oversee the exhibition program. He is also the co-curator, with Vít Havranek, of the project and exhibitions Monument to Transformation, a 3-year research project on social transformation that was presented in 2009 at the Prague City Gallery, and which traveled to several other locations in Europe later this year. Baladrán was also a part of the team of curators (tranzit.org) for Manifesta 8, Murcia, Spain in 2010. His artworks can be characterized as the search for links between the past and its construction in relation to the prevailing epistemological patterns. His works are represented in various international private and public collections.

group exhibitions:

2012 "Aire de Lyon" Fundación Proa, Buenos Aires
2012 "The Islands of Resistance" National Gallery, Praha
2012 "Pokus-omyl-oprava" City Surfer, Praha
2012 "How to look at everything" The Common Guild, Glasgow
2012 "From the closed world to the infinite universe" Le Quartier, Quimper
2012, "State of Affairs", AMT Project, Bratislava
2011 "Unchronie" Galerie u Bílého jednorožce, Klatovy
2011 "a terrible beauty is born" 11e Biennale de Lyon, Lyon
2011 "Les amis de mes amis sont mes amis, hommage a Ján Mančuška", Jocelyn Wolff, Paris
2011 "Gallery by Night" Studio Gallery, Budapest
2011 "Mutující médium" Rudolfinum, Prague
2010 "No ifs, no buts" Depo, Istanbul
2010 "U dUbu tU bUdU", Školská 28, Praha
2010 "Collected reflections", Entrance, Praha
2010 "Raising Dust - Encounters in Relational Geography", Calvert 22, London
2010 "Step by step", Gandy Gallery, Bratislava
2010 "Überblendungen", Shedhalle, Zurich
2010 "2010 "Velkoměstská periferie", KGVU, Zlín
2010 "Why do we resist?", Pori Taidemuseo / Pori Art Museum, Pori
2010 "Watchmen, Liars, Dreamers (Erudition concrete 3)", FRAC Ile-de-France Le Plateau, Paris
2010 "Epilogue 1", Maisterravalbuena, Madrid
2010 "Akce Zet", Emil Filla Gallery, Ústí nad Labem
2010 "Dust, ashes and residua", Open Space, Wien
2010 "EGO", Langhans Gallery, Prague
2010 "Formate der Transformation 89-09, Museum auf Abruf, Vienna
2010 "Comrades of time", Pavilion Unicredit, Bucharest
2010 "The Romance of my Young Days, the Future of my Nostalgia, Central Slovakian Gallery, Banska Bystrica
2009 "Formáty transformace, Dům umění, Brno
2009 "The Moscow Biennale of Contemporary Art, The Situation, Moscow
2009 "Bertha von Suttner Revisited", Hermannsdorf
2009 "Any Instant Whatever", Bunkier Sztuki, Krakow
2009 "7a bienal do mercosul, Mercosul
2009 "Expanded City", 13th Media Art Biennale, Wroclaw
2009 "Farimani at Starr Space", Starr Space, New York
2009 "Le Troisième Lieu / Der Dritte Ort / The Third Place", Grazer Kunstverein, Graz
2009 "Blind Spots", Akademie der bildenden Künste Wien, Vienna,
2008 "Atomized", De Veemvloer, Amsterdam
2008 "Finalists of J. Chalupský Award", DU Brno
2008, Gyumri Biennial, Gyumri
2008, "Try again, fail again, fail better", Műcsarnok, Budapest
2008, "Rendezvous nowhere "Montehermoso, Vitoria-Gasteiz
2008, "The Provocation of the Real", National Center for the Arts, Mexico
2008, "Where the East ends", Nassauischer Kunstverein, Wiesbaden
2008, "Triennial of young Artists", City gallery Praha
2008, "Be a Happy Worker: Work-to-Rule", G-MK, Zagreb
2008, "Another City" Zacheta, Warszawa
2008, "The Archive", Prometeo gallery, Milano
2008, "Same Democracy" Neon>Campobase, Bologna
2008, "videoart.cz", projectSPACE, Bratislava
2008, "Fussion Confussion", Museum Folkwang, Essen
2007, "PASSAGES, PASSAGEN, PASAZE", Gandy Gallery, Bratislava
2007, "October, Exit, Memory and Desire", Artra gallery, Milano
2007, "Finalists of J. Chalupský Award", Roxy, Prague
2007, "Why do you Resist?", Forum Stadtpark, Graz
2007, "Simple Living", Brukenthal Museum, Sibiu
2007, "Stalking With Stories", Apexart, New York
2007, "Sklerotische Nachtbar/i/n", 2 Gallery, Schloss Wolkersdorf
2007, "invisible things", trafo gallery, Budapest
2007, "Synonyma, MtT 1989-1968-2009", Index, Stockholm
2007, "Prague biennale 3 - der prozess", Praha

2007, "Punctum", Futura, Praha
 2006, "The Other City", screening program, Trafo, Budapest
 2006, "F/acts/igures" exhibition artwalk, Amsterdam
 2006, "Auditorium, Stage, Backstage", Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt
 2006, „Pozvao sam par prijatelja da bace pogled, nova gallery, Zagreb
 2006, „Closely Observed Plans“, tranzit workshops, Bratislava
 2006, „Zbynek Baladran - Carlos Casas - Alice Guareschi, neon>fdv, Milano
 2006, „archeology of today?“, Kosova Art Gallery-Museum in Prishtina
 2006, „Indikace“, Jungmanova 21, Praha
 2006, „Donaumonarchie“, Billboard project, Bratislava
 2006, „Věcné stavy“, Karlin Studios, Praha
 2005, „Vangelis Vlahos project“, Els Hanappe Underground, Athens
 2005, „1811197604122005“, Galeria Plan B, Cluj
 2005, „Turbulence“ Museum Kampa, Praha
 2005, „Finalists of J. Chalupický Award“, City Gallery Prague
 2005, „Praguebiennale2 - definition of everyday“, Prague
 2005, „Fifth Biennial of young Artists“, City gallery Praha
 2005, „The Need to Document“, Kunsthaus Baselland, Muttentz
 2005, „Insiders“, Futura, Praha
 2004, „Insiders“, DpK, Brno, curated by P. Morganová
 2004, „Finalists of J. Chalupický Award“, Brno House of Art, Brno
 2004, „Spacecamp“, Kolowratský palác, Praha
 2004, „Prague and Dresden“, Kunstforum Ostdeutsche Galerie, Regensburg
 2004, „Manifesta 5“, Donostia-San Sebastián
 2004, „Breakthrough“, Grote Kerk, Den Haag
 2004, „Interkosmos 2004“, Raster, Warszawa
 2003, „Kompression“, Wedding, Berlin
 2003, „Paradies“, with Tomas Svoboda, Bunker, Alexanderplatz, Berlin
 2003, „Survey 03“, Futura, Praha
 2003, „Ceskoslovensko“, , Bratislava
 2002, „Architektura“, GJF, Praha
 2002, „Premiere vue“, Passage de Retz, Paris
 2002, „Uhlopricka“, Galerie Eskort, Brno
 2002, „Wechselstube“, der-ausstellungsraum, Stuttgart
 2002, „Forum of Independent Galleries“, U Prstenu, City Gallery, Praha
 2001, „Fotok“, MEO, Budapest
 2001, „První a poslední“, Galerie V. Spály, Praha
 2001, „Criss-Cross“, Broumov
 2000, „Vystava AVU“, Manes, Praha
 2000, „Kazda kapka...“, Galerie AVU, Praha
 1999, „Vidiny“, Roxy, Galerie NOD, Praha
 1999, „Rickyho gang“, klub Depo, Olomouc
 1998, „Zelena“, Galerie AVU, Praha

solo exhibitions:

2012, "Without any Assumptions, Gandy gallery, Bratislava
 2011, "The Nervous System", along with Jiří Kovanda, Milano Kunstverein, Milano
 2011, "What I do not see", tranzit workshops, Bratislava
 2009, "Cognitive maps", Hunt Kastner Artworks, Praha
 2008, "Crunch time", Castillo/Coralles, Paris
 2008, "What History do they represent?" along with Vangelis Vlahos, Blow de la Barra, London
 2008, "Instruments of uncertainty", House of Art, Č. Budějovice
 2007, "Glossary", Secession Vitrine, Vienna
 2007, "Vocabulary", Old City Hall Gallery, Praha
 2007, "Table, M.to T. Fragment #3", Moravian Gallery, Brno
 2004, "zazděný vchod", Moravian Gallery, Brno
 2004, „theory/praxis/exposition“, DPzK, Brno
 2002, "Varianta C", with Erik Binder, Open gallery, Bratislava
 2002, "Target Group", performance with Tomas Svoboda, part of presentation of Umelec, Palais de Tokyo, Paris
 2001, „8“, Galerie Eskort, Brno
 2001, „10“, Galerie Eingang, Ostrava
 2001, „019“, Galerie Jeleni, Praha
 2000, „Diorama“, BJ Case, Komunardu Street, Praha

Monument to Transformation project, exhibitions co curated along with Vít Havránek

2010 Monument to Transformation as part of "Watchmen, Liars, Dreamers (Erudition concrete 3)", FRAC Ile-de-France Le Plateau, Paris
 2010 "Monument to Transformation", Montehernoso, Vitoria
 2010 "Monument to Transformation", GMK, Zagreb
 2009 "Monument to Transformation", CIV, Bucharest
 2009 "Monument to Transformation", Municipal library, City Gallery, Prague
 2008 "Installation model, fragment # 7, Communism Never Happened / Vocabulary, tranzit, Bratislava
 2008 "Installation model, fragment # 6, Labour Day", Labor, Budapest
 2007 "Installation model, fragment # 5", Prague Biennale 3, Prague
 2007-2009 "Permanent installation of Monument to Transformation", tranzitdisplay, Prague

grants and residencies:

2008, *artist in residence*, Zacheta, Warsaw
2007, *artist in residence*, PROGR, Bern
2006, *artist in residence*, MQ, Vienna
2004, *developmental grant of tranzit*

bibliographical notes and texts

2011, "Terrible beauty is born", catalogue of Lyon biennial. Lyon, EN/FR
2011, "What I don't see", tranzit workshops, Bratislava, EN/CZ
2010, "No Order, Art in a Post-Fordic society", No 1, Milano, EN
2010, *Atlas of Transformation*, Prague, EN
2010, *Filla*, archive of the artist, EN
2010, *trouble*, paris, FR
2010, *Sešity pro umění*, teorii a příbuzné zóny, 6-7, magazine, interview, CZ
2010, *Comrades of time*, catalogue, Pavilion, Bucharest, EN
2009, *Monument transformace* interview, Profil 3-4 CZ/SK
2009, *Atlas Transformace*, Praha, CZ
2009, *The End Magazine*, spring summer, Milano, IT, EN
2009, *Labyrint revue*, 23-24, magazine, interview, text, documentation, CZ
2008, *Stavba*, 5/2008, magazine, interview, CZ
2008, *Fussion/Confussion*, catalogue, Museum Folkwang, Essen, DE
2007, *Flash Art*, Czechoslovakia, interview, CZ
2007, *Table*, Monument to transformation, Fragment #3, catalogue, Moravian Gallery Brno, CZ
2007, *Prag Biennial*, catalogue, Prague, CZ
2006, *Archeology of today?*, catalogue, D. Zefkili, KAG, Prishtina, Kosova
2006, *Cinepur 44*, interview, Martin Mareček, Praha, CZ
2005, *Fotograf 6/05*, Zbyněk Baladrán, Mariana Serrano, Praha, CZ
2005, *The Need to Document*, / Ruins, Archaeology and the Gap between Images, Muttentz, CH
2005, *Contemporary*, 71, *Moving Images at the Edge of the Real*, Katerina Gregos, GB
2004, *Manifesta 5*, ...with all due intent, catalogue, M. Gioni, Barcelona, ES
2004, *Daemon*, *Ritorno al futuro*, A. Grulli, Bologna, IT
2004, *Metropolis M*, Interview, I. Commandeur, Utrecht, NL
2004, *Umělec*, 3, *Theory, praxis, exposition*, D. Kulhánek, Praha, CZ