

MQ: Art installation by Nick Oberthaler

In front of the MuseumsQuartier, the new artistic installation "Untitled (liminal landscape)", 2023, by Austrian artist Nick Oberthaler can now be seen in the area of "Platz der Menschenrechte".

Nick Oberthaler's abstract compositions are distinguished by a graphic design vocabulary with origins in both real and digital space. This vocabulary is reduced to a few important freely composable and combinable design elements.

The works are produced digitally on a tablet using a vector program. The creative process can be compared with writing a musical score: Oberthaler frequently composes a drawing over many weeks, whereby sketches and studies also influence the design.



Nick Oberthaler, Untitled (liminal landscape), 2023 © Nick Oberthaler, Bildrecht Wien, 2023 | MuseumsQuartier Wien, Foto: Niko Havranek

In the new work created specifically for this place, elementary forms like circles, squares, crosses, and lines in intensive colours are superimposed on top of each other and evoke abstract landscapes. Priming and surface, motif and topic, contour and area are regarded as equals in Oberthaler's artistic practice. The playfully employed typology of recurring forms opens up an individual associative space.

The Austrian artist Nick Oberthaler was invited by the MuseumsQuartier to design building containers artistically.



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The art works are situated on the Signa construction site on Mariahilfer Straße 10–18, where the Lamarr luxury department store and the Hotel Thompson Vienna will be completed in 2025.

Special Edition for Amnesty International Austria

On the occasion of the 75th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the artist Nick Oberthaler in cooperation with the MuseumsQuartier has created an edition whose proceeds will be donated to Amnesty International Austria. The edition was produced with the kind support of Foto Leutner. It is available at the MQ Point or in the MQ online shop.

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