



**TIMOFEY SMIRNOV**  
Russian

Timofey Smirnov is a unique graphic artist from Russia.

This master was repeatedly awarded by the Russian Academy of Arts and various institutions, including a grant from the President of Russia in the field of contemporary art in 2013.

His works are united by common techniques: graphics are done in simple black-graphite pencil, but often combined with non-trivial design; in some cases his artworks on canvas or paper are fixed on art objects created by the author. This "non-standard" framing is akin to the definition of the word "oxymoron", in the meaning that mutually exclusive concepts form a stable phrase – a metaphor.

For Timothy Smirnov it is extremely important different intonations, a different interpretation of the usual approach to art. In the originality of the unoriginal (even in the titles of works and series), in a rather careful attitude to the sources of citation – that is what causes the interest of the audience.

Several series of works continue these meaningful motifs: for the artist it seems necessary to paradoxically and unexpectedly frame one context completely different than from a point of view of common sense.

Whatever group of pictorial motifs he would be engaged in, he is looking for "the entanglement of the imperfect", which in the Middle Ages served as an allegory of wit. This happened for a number of reasons, which also led him to a professional study of art history; he studied samples, systematically flowing over the entire space of the history of art. His art is close to the world trend called "photorealism", in the key of which his works were made and about which he wrote the first ever Russian dissertation about the Russian peculiar variety and interpretation of this world trend.

The works of Timothy Smirnov are in the best collections in Russia, the UK, the UAE, as well as in Spain and France.

1980 Born in Moscow

2004 - Graduated with honors from the Moscow State Academic Institute named after V.I. Surikov

2004 - The Member of Moscow Artists' Union of Russian Federation

2004 - 2005 Holder of the Fellowship of the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation

2008 - Awarded the Gold Medal of the Russian Academy of Arts for the series of graphic works "Journey around my room"

2013 - Grant of the President of the Russian Federation for the best project in the field of contemporary art

Candidate for doctoral degree in "Art Criticism". His works are published in scientific journals

#### **SELECTED PERSONAL EXHIBITIONS:**

2018 - "Sweet and Sour Life", Fine Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2017 - "The Book of Pictures", Helikon Opera, Moscow, Russia  
2016 - "Attributes of Art", Fine Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2016 - "Romantic or RAMAtika", Fine-Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2015 - "Moscow Special", Fine Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2014 - "Black on white or white on black", Fine-Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2014 - "Gradation of Gray", Fine-Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2013 - "Protest of the Artist Timofei Smirnov", Fine-Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2011 - "Measure of Value or Money in the Air", Fine Art Gallery.  
Special program of the Moscow Biennale of Contemporary Art, Moscow, Russia  
2010 - "Draughtsman's Contract", Fine Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2010 - "Timofey Smirnov", Carre D'Ore Gallery, Monaco  
2008 - "Quotes and Duplicates-2", Gallery "Green Art", Perm, Russia  
2007 - "Quotes and Duplicates. Summer holidays with Timofey Smirnov, Fine Art Gallery, Moscow  
2006 - "Chronotopes", All-Union State Library of Foreign Literature, Moscow, Russia

#### **SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS:**

2019 - "Affordable Art Fair", Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre (HKCEC)  
2019 - Asia Contemporary Art Show, Spring Edition, Conrad Hotel, Hong Kong  
2018 - "Revea", International contemporary Art Fair, NY, USA  
2017 - Cosmospow, International Art Fair, Gostinny Dvor, Moscow, Russia  
2017 - "ArtPerm", Gallery "Fine-Art", Perm, Russia  
2016 - ArtSalonniki, International Art Fair, Thessaloniki, Greece  
2013 - "Artmoskva", International Art Fair, Central House of Artists, Moscow, Russia  
2012 - "Art Miami", "Fine-Art" Gallery, Central House of Artists, Moscow, Russia  
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2010 - "Self-portrait", MMSI, Moscow, Russia  
2009 - "Art Moscow", International Art Fair, Central House of Artists, Moscow, Russia  
2009 - "Not Hot Summer", Fine Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2009 - "20 years. Not serious anniversary ", Gallery A-3, Moscow, Russia  
2008 - "Graphic works of old and modern masters", KGMZ, Kostroma, Russia  
2008 - "Painting. Good. Forgotten. Old ", 1st Youth International Biennale of Contemporary Art, State Tretyakov Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2008 - "Migration", 1st Youth International Biennale of Contemporary Art, MMSI, Moscow, Russia  
2008 - "Night at the Museum", New Manege, Moscow, Russia  
2008 - Medvedevka, S'ART Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2008 - "Freedom of choice". GTSMSIR, Moscow, Russia  
2007 - Project "Artographers", New Manege, Moscow, Russia  
2007 - "Art Manege", Gallery "Vista", Central Exhibition Hall "Manege", Moscow, Russia  
2007 - "New Angelarium", MMSI, Moscow, Russia  
2006 - "Living Space", Marriott Hotel, Prague, Czech  
2005 - Project Rusalía, Art Manege, Manezh Central Exhibition Hall, Moscow, Russia

2005 - "Juvenile Sea", Fine Art Gallery, Moscow, Russia  
2005 - "Memoria", MMSI, Moscow, Russia  
2004 - Project "Art Stage", "Art Manege". Ex. Center CSKA Moscow  
2004 - "Mastery and Youth", Gallery A-3, Moscow, Russia  
2004 - 2nd Independent Graphic Biennale, Manezh, St. Petersburg, Russia  
2004 - "Between", Moscow Museum of Modern Art (MMS), Moscow, Russia  
2004 - Cosmos-2, House of Science and Culture, Berlin, Germany