HORST STEIN

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Horst Stein studied sculpture at the University of Music and Dramatic Arts Mozarteum Salzburg. Around 2000, he switched from sculpture and painting into the field of photography, which at first was a way of documenting his art, and then became the art itself. Consequently, objects and paintings were no longer just pieces of art, but also became props for art in a symmetric process.

His work is divided into two completely different bodies of art-photography: *Simulation* (combining various forms of art, incorporating staged photography) and *Documentation* (non-staged photography). The first approaches the issues of gender and sexuality, often in an ironic manner, whereas the latter focuses more on the society and politics.

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