

Matthias Liechti was born in 1988 in Bern, Switzerland. He currently lives and works in Basel. Liechti graduated from the Bern University of the Arts (HKB) with a Bachelor in Fine Arts and from the Zurich University of the Arts (ZHdK) with a Master in Fine Arts. He was fellow at Spring Time at Bern University of the Arts (HKB) and at October School at Shiv Nadar University (SNU) in New-Delhi, India. Together with Simon Fahrni, Ramon Feller and Valerie Keller he was running Milieu (a not-for-profit art space in Bern, established by Remy Pia and Vinzenz Meyner) for about five years. Liechti was resident artist in Cetinje, Shanghai, and New York City, awardee of Alexander Clavel Kulturförderpreis, Kunst Preis Riehen, Kiefer Hablitzel Preis and Prix Kunstverein Biel/Bienne, scholar of Trächsel Stipendium and Curatorial Research Projects, Pro Helvetia and nominee of Swiss Art Awards. His works are part of public and private collections such as Bilder in die Schulen, Städtische Kunstsammlung Biel/Bienne, Städtische Kunstsammlung Basel, Städtische Kunstsammlung Bern, Kantonale Kunstsammlung Bern, the JoAnn Gonzalez Hickey Collection NYC among others. Liechti is co-curator at For (a not-for-profit art space in Basel, founded by Valerie Keller and Matthias Liechti). He worked as juror at Basel Academy of Art and Design (FHNW), Bern University of the Arts (HKB), was a member of Kunstkommission Stadt Bern and currently is a member of Kommission für Bildende Kunst Riehen.