

SHORT BIO - ENGLISH

Born in Austria, Verena is an acro-dancer, performer and post-handstandartist, working between Austria & France. She has been pursuing the intensive practice of handstand, acrobatics and contemporary dance since her studies of circus arts in Italy (FLIC - Scola di Circo) and France (ESAC - Toulouse). In addition, intensive training in Brussels with Inaki Azpilaga, Rob Haeyden (Ultima Vez - Wim Vandekeybus) and Tomislav English (FERUS // ANIMI).

Performances and collaborations with in others Collectif Protocol (FR), as well as with Cie N/C (FR) and Femme Crobatie (FR). Verena always works contemporary circus in relation to contemporary dance. In her latest work she also starts to collaborate with fine arts.

To expand this research and interest she founded the Freifall association based in Vienna / Innsbruck in 2019: The goal of the association is to work on interdisciplinary projects, especially with a focus on contemporary circus, dance, performance and visual arts. With Freifall, Verena Schneider is also building an international artist network between France and Austria, within the framework of which numerous projects and collaborations take place.

As a freelance artist, she passes on her knowledge and skills in workshops at various international institutions, including Circus Hall Dornbirn, Katapult Berlin, Espace Catastrophe Brussels, Tanz * Hotel, Garage29, etc.

Grant - Award

- ,Creatives for Vienna' – Indigo City – 2020 – AT (Award)
- Grant for 'Sommerakademie Salzburg Applied Arts- 2020 – AT (Grand)
- Cite en Movement -Stockholm – 2020 - FR Erasmus+
- CircCollaborative Tools – Prag -2018 – FR Erasmus+

Education :

- Management culturel @ Institut of Cultural Concepts - Vienna (2019-2020)
- ARTISTIC DEVELOPMENT YEAR of a personal project @ ESAC – Toulouse (2017)
- Universtity Jean Jaures Toulouse – DUAS – Arts du Spectacle Danse et Cirque (2014)
- ESAC – Toulouse (LE LIDO - Centre des arts du Cirque de Toulouse) (2013 – 2015)
- Scola di Circo FLIC – Turin / Italy (2011 -2013)