

**Haus am Kleistpark**  
25 March – 29 May 2022

Press information  
March 2022

# Nadja Bournonville

A worm crossed the street



„Philomachus pugnax“, © Nadja Bournonville, 2020

In her latest artistic project “A worm crossed the street”, Nadja Bournonville trains her eye on nature, species variety, concepts of display, animal extinction, and how we deal with it. Not only are the taxidermied animals in the archives a relic of their former existence, but, at times, of their entire species.

In 2019, Bournonville took 377 photographs of objects and specimens at the Natural History Museum in Vienna. The result is a visual aesthetic cosmos, deeply rooted in that state-of-being between beauty and deformation. In the process, the scientific findings underlying the exhibits disappear behind a fascinating, abstract moment. At the same time, the photographs refer to the heterotopias inscribed in the museum.

On view is an exhibition installation made up of photography, video, objects, screen prints, and collages. In addition, Swiss writer Dorothee Elmiger has contributed a text, and visitors can move a virtual object around in augmented reality.

The exhibition testifies to the contemporary artistic development of photography and its use as a performative tool for exploring our living world.

Nadja Bournonville (\*1983) studied photography at the Glasgow School of Art as well as at the Academy of Fine Arts Leipzig and completed her studies in 2012 as a master’s student of Prof. Tina Bara. Since then, her work has been supported by multiple stipends and residencies. Her art is represented in many acclaimed collections and has been exhibited internationally numerous times.

Her book “A worm crossed the street“ was awarded the 2021 Swedish Photo-book Award.

**Exhibition dates**  
25.3. – 29.5.2022  
(Closed on 24.5)

**Opening day**  
Friday, 25 March 2022  
11am–7pm  
Nadja Bournonville will be present from 3pm until 7pm.

**Events**  
Thursday, 12 May  
7pm  
Introduction to the work of Nadja Bournonville and book launch with Ingo Taubhorn (Curator House of Photography, Deichtorhallen Hamburg)  
Location: Tent in the garden of the Haus am Kleistpark

Information on events in the accompanying programme as well as up-to-date visitor guidelines can be found on our website.

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Tue–Sun, 11am–6pm  
Thursday until 8pm  
Free entry  
No barrier-free access

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„Ptilopsis leucotis“  
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Natural History Museum Vienna  
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„Varanus Gouldi“  
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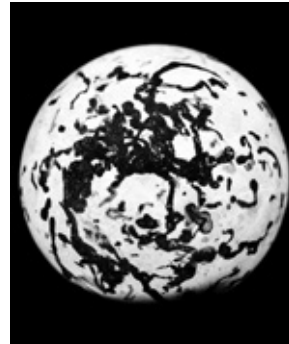
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„Sphaerotherium hippocastanum“ © Nadja Bournonville, 2020 Natural History Museum Vienna from „A worm crossed the street“



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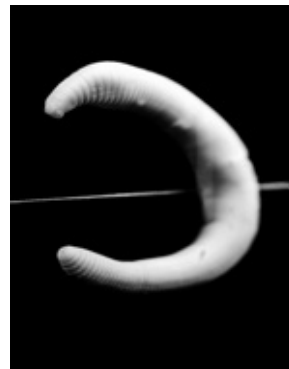
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