

Igor Ost

Born in 1983 in Saint Petersburg, Russia, Igor Ost has been based in Lille, France, since 2024.

Trained at the Graphic Department of the Saint Petersburg Academy of Fine Arts, Ost has developed a distinctive visual language in which archetypal forms, botanical imagery and references to cultural history are transformed into enigmatic contemporary narratives.

Education

2007

MFA Fine Arts Academy, Graphic Department, St. Petersburg (RU)

Selected solo exhibitions:

2026

Nowere , Localie Hub, Amsterdam (NL)

2025

Igor Ost solo show, Gallery SANSU Goyang, Seoul (KR)

2024

Changes Illusion, WenBo Art Museum, Dalian (CN)

2023

Third Kingdom, Center 424, Belgrade (CS)

Archeology of Safety, TransformArt Gallery, Belgrade (CS)

2021

Archeology of Safety, Sevcabel Port, St.-Petersburg (RU)

2020

Herbarium, Erarta Museum, St.-Petersburg (RU)

2019

Way to myth, WenBo Art Museum, Dalian (CN)

2016

Reincarnation of the Past, Baozhen Gallery, Beijing (CN)

Reflections, SzentPeter gallery, Quingdao (CN)

Herbarium, Galleria Pato, Kouvola (FI)

2014

Kalevala, Art Center Taidetupa PikkuSelma, Kouvola (FI)

Phenomena, Uusikuva Gallery, Kotka (FI)

2012

Kalevala, Juminkekko Museum, Kuhmo (FI)

2011

Seven Brothers, Regina Gallery, Turku (FI)

2010

Identification of Myth, Kadieff Gallery, Helsinki (FI)

Totems, Ant Gallery, Helsinki (FI)

2009

Kalevala, Galeria Putka, Savonlinna (FI)

2008

Kalevala - Ethnomechanics, DiDi Gallery, St. Petersburg (RU)

Selected group exhibitions:

2026

International Print Triennial, Musée Raymond Lafage, Lisle sur Tarn (FR)

FIG OPEN PORTFOLIO, Bilbao (ES)

GRAVE, Le Lieu A Gallery, Lille (FR)

2025

TRANSPARENCE (Visible & Invisible), Garage Les Lillois, Lille (FR)

ARRIVAL, Localie Hub, Amsterdam (NL)

Virus, De Balie, Amsterdam (NL)

1re Biennale Internationale de l'Estampe, Fresnes-sur-Escaut (FR)

2024

Artiste Against the Kremlin, DEBalie, Amsterdam (NL)

After Shock, Gallery Iceberg/MiCT, Berlin (DE)

After Shock, Gallery Vrij Paleis, Amsterdam (NL)

24, Gallery Iceberg/MiCT, Berlin (DE)

2023

Ja Sam Ranjivost, Festival Exhibition of Biennial of Youth, Roman Well, Belgrade (CS)

2021

Hidden places, Bunker 703, Moscow (RU)

2019

Suspense 2.0, Sevcable Port, St. Petersburg (RU)

Suspense, Brackhausen Mansion, St. Petersburg (RU)

2018

Salmela 2018, Salmela Art Center, Mantuharju (FI)

Western Contemporary Printmaking Masters, Jie Song Gallery, Shanghai (CN)

2016

36 Strategies, One Book exhibition, The State Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg (RU)

Näkökulma, Helsingin Tuomiokirkon Krypta, Helsinki (FI)

2011

Summer Show, Lepporanan Taidekeskus (FI)

2010

Helsinki Art Fair, Wanha Satama, Helsinki (FI)

Contemporary Russian Art, Gala Auction by State Russian Museum and Christie's Auction House

Art Fairs

2025

Journée De Estampe Contemporaine JEC25, Paris (FR)

Marché de l'estampe, Verrières-le-Buisson (FR)

GIAF 2025 , Goyang, Séoul (KR)

2024

C.A.R Contemporary Art Ruhr, Essen (DE)

2019

SAM Fair, Museum of Street Art, St. Petersburg (RU)

2018

SAM Fair, Museum of Street Art, St. Petersburg (RU)

2010

Helsinki Art Fair, Wanhua Satama, Helsinki (FI)

ARTISTS RESIDENCIES AND GRANTS

2025

Special Prize, 6th International Ex-Libris Competition, Istanbul (TR)

2024

Artist-in-Residence, YAK Printmaking Base, Tianjin (CN)

Best Free Graphic, DEG, Neustadt a.d. Orla (DE)

2023

Artist-in-Residence, BIAR Art Center, Belgrad (CS)

2020

First Award, WFOEL Exlibris contest, Hong Kong (CN)

2018

Artist-in-Residence , Art Centre "Salmela", Mantyharju (FI)

Artist-in-Residence, Guanlan Printmaking Base, Shenzhen (CN)

2014

Artist-in-Residence , Kalevalaseura , Tohmajarvi (FI)

2008

Artist-in-Residence , Art Centre "Salmela", Mantyharju (FI)

First Award "Classic Print 2008", Graphic House, Moscow (RU)

2003

Resident and Grant, Lithographic school, Tidaholm (SE)

AWARDS2026 Grand Prix in Drawing 2026, Taylor Foundation, Paris (FR)



COLLECTIONS

State Hermitage Museum, Saint-Petersburg (RU)

National Museum of Fine Arts Republic of Karelia, Petrozavodsk (RU)

Salmela Art Center, Mantyharju (FI)

Wenbo ART Museum, Dalian (CN)

National Library of Russia, Saint-Petersburg (RU)