

## **Sebastian Grochocki**

I was born in 1988 in Łódź, Poland. From 2007 to 2008 I was studying at the Department of Education Studies of University in Łódź. In 2008 I started to study at the Department of Graphics and Painting at the Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź.

During the studies I took part in „Drawing Workshops Harena 2012” that took place in Zakopane. In the same year 2012 I was a co-founder and curator of the „Pomiędzy Gallery” at the Academy of Fine Art in Łódź. During my short gallery custody I organized two exhibitions. First exhibition that I prepared took place on 9th of March 2012 year. It was titled „Students of the Department of Printmaking” and it presented works made by students of the Faculty of Graphics and Painting at Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź. In the end of the year I got a Scholarship of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of Poland for outstanding achievements for the year 2012. In June 2013 I participated in the 2nd Creativity Workshops at the Art and Culture Center - The Kossak Manor House in Górkki Wielkie. I also achieved the 1st Zofia Kossak Award in the competition accompanying this workshops. In 2013 I got a Award of the Minister of Culture and National Heritage of the Republic of Poland for outstanding artistic achievements and the second Scholarship of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of Poland. In October I took a part in 6th Split Graphic - International Graphic Art Biennial where I got the Young Artists Award. I also got the 1st Award in the 7th Contest of Small Graphic Forms for students of the Strzemiński Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź, that took place in Amcor Gallery on 20th of June. In 2014 I started to work in a graphic design studio - „Dots 'n Lines Studio” ([dotsnlines.co.uk](http://dotsnlines.co.uk)). My experiences with old traditional printmaking techniques started to mix with modern graphic design. I started to learn how to design responsive websites and mobile applications.

I got a master degree diploma with honors in September 2014. I made my diploma project at the Woodcut Techniques and Artistic Book Studio under the supervision of Professor Dariusz Kaca. It was a series of graphics made mostly in plaster relief print technique. It was inspired by a Greek mythology, especially with the myth of the fall of Ikarus, and with the myth about the son of the god of the Sun, Phaethon. I have taken part in over 40 plain-air, workshops and exhibitions in Poland and abroad. My works are placed in collections of museums and artistic institutions inter alia in Hungary, Macedonia and Poland. At the moment I am dealing with graphic design and printmaking, mostly with large-size graphics made in plaster relief print technique and woodcut technique. I am also an artistic director of the First International Print Biennial Łódź 2016 ([lodzprints.com](http://lodzprints.com)). Since 2016 I have been cooperating with many artist and designers who deal with photography, movie making, 3d modeling and web coding to create my own best professional group of multidiscipline art which took place in my art studio called Sebiko Studio where artists can deal with old traditional graphing techniques and take modern commercial and cultural challenges like creating the International Print Biennial Łódź ([sebikostudio.com](http://sebikostudio.com)). I am also a member of Art and Design Society in Łódź.

## **awards and achievements:**

2014

- Scholarship of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of Poland for outstanding achievements 2013/2014. 31th March
- Muzeum Sztuki (Museum of Art) of Łódź Award in the 31st edition of the Władysław Strzemiński Contest - Fine Arts for students of the Academy of Fine Arts in Lodz, Poleski Art Centre, Lodz, Poland. 17th March
- Manhattan Gallery Award in the 31st edition of the Władysław Strzemiński Contest - Fine Arts for students of the Academy of Fine Arts in Lodz, Poleski Art Centre, Lodz, Poland. 17th March

2013

- Award of the Minister of Culture and National Heritage of the Republic of Poland for outstanding artistic achievements, Warsaw. 2nd December
- Scholarship of the Chancellor for the best students 2013/2014
- Young Artists Award in the 6th Split Graphic - International Graphic Art Biennial, Old City Hall, Split, Croatia. 2nd October
- 1st Award in the 7th Contest of Small Graphic Forms for students of the Strzemiński Academy of Fine Arts in Lodz, Amcor Gallery, Lodz, Poland. 20th June
- 1st Zofia Kossak Award accompanying the 2nd Creativity Workshops at the Art and Culture Center - The Kossak Manor House, Górkki Wielkie, Poland. 15th June
- Commendation in the Young Graphic Designers for Biedronka Contest, Lodz, Poland. 24th May
- POSpieszna Gallery Award in the 30th edition of the Władysław Strzemiński Contest - Fine Arts for students of the Academy of Fine Arts in Lodz, Poleski Art Centre, Lodz, Poland. 12th March

2012

- Scholarship of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of Poland for outstanding achievements 2012/2013
- Scholarship of the Chancellor for the best students 2012/2013
- Kobro Gallery Award in the 29th edition of the Władysław Strzemiński Contest - Fine Arts for students of the Academy of Fine Arts in Lodz, Poland.

2011

- Scholarship of the Chancellor for the best students 2011/2012

## **individual exhibitions:**

2016

- *Between metaphore and abstraction: Grochocki, Kaca, Olejniczak*, Printmaking exhibition, Regional Museum of Bełchatów, Bełchatów, Poland. 23rd March (catalogue, video)
- *Between Black and White: Grochocki, Wydrzyński*, Printmaking exhibition, Okno na Sztukę Gallery, KDK, Kutno, Poland. 14Th of January (video)

2015

- *NEW PLASTERCUT*, Printmaking exhibition, Museum of the Factory, Manufaktura, Lodz, Poland. 29th January (catalogue)

2013

- *Osuch Anita, Berlak Krystian, Grochocki Sebastian*, Drawing exhibition, POSpieszna Gallery, Poleski Art Centre, Lodz, Poland. 16th April

**group exhibitions:**

2015

- *The 4th Bangkok Triennale International Print and Drawing Exhibition*, Post-contest exhibition, Bangkok Art and Culture Center, Bangkok, Thailand. May (catalogue)
- *PRIME TIME 2014*, Exhibition of best diplomas of Academy of Fine Arts, Central Museum of Textiles, Łódź, Poland. 23rd January (catalogue)
- *8th Contest of Small Graphic Forms for students of the Strzemiński Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź*, Post-contest exhibition, Pomiędzy Gallery, Łódź, Poland. 21st January (catalogue)

2014

- *Manufaktura – Miasto w mieście*, Museum of the Factory, Manufaktura, Łódź, Poland. December
- *8th Contest of Small Graphic Forms for students of the Strzemiński Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź*, Post-contest exhibition, Amcor Gallery, Lodz, Poland. 10th December (catalogue)
- *OSTEN BIENNIAL OF DRAWING Skopje 2014*, Post-contest exhibition, The Exhibition Hall of Macedonian Academy of Arts and Science, Skopje, Macedonia. 18th September (catalogue)
- *2nd International Mokuhanga Conference*, Student exhibition of the Woodcut Techniques and Book Art Studio, Tokyo, Japan. 10-14.IX
- *XV International Biennial of Small Graphic Forms and Exlibris*, Post-contest exhibition, Museum of the Town, Ostrów Wielkopolski, Poland. 06.IX (catalogue)
- *15th International Triennial of Small Graphic Forms*, Post-contest exhibition, Villa Gallery, Łódź, Poland. 12th June (catalogue)
- *1st International Students Drawing Triennial Katowice 2014*, Post-contest exhibition, Rondo Sztuki Gallery, Katowice, Poland. 16th May (catalogue)
- *Computer Image Studio*, Student exhibition of the Faculty of Graphics and Painting, Galeria Ogród Sztuki, Konstancin Łódzki, Poland. 09.V (catalogue)
- *Students and Professors Exhibition of the Department of Printmaking*, Koridor Gallery, University of Ostrava, Ostrava, Czech Republic. 15th April
- *Woodcut Techniques and Book Art Studio Exhibition – Students and Professors*, Czytelnia Institute of Design Kielce, Kielce, Poland. 11th May
- *7th Contest of Small Graphic Forms for students of the Strzemiński Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź*, Post-contest exhibition, Pomiędzy Gallery, Łódź, Poland. 19th March (catalogue)
- *Fine Arts - 31st edition of the Władysław Strzemiński Contest*, Post-contest exhibition, City Art Gallery of Łódź, Łódź, Poland. 17th March (catalogue)
- *Exhibition of 211 Drawing Studio*, Pod Napięciem Gallery, Technical University of Łódź, Łódź, Poland. 11th March

2013

- *Graficzny Białystok*, Exhibition of the Department of Printmaking, Building of the Faculty of Architecture, Technical University of Białystok, Białystok, Poland. 12th December (catalogue)
- *Fabryczne ścieżki kultury - oczami łódzkich artystów*, Post-plein-air exhibition, Museum of the Factory, Manufaktura, Łódź, Poland. 7th December
- *7th Contest of Small Graphic Forms for students of the Strzemiński Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź*, Post-contest exhibition, Amcor Gallery, Łódź, Poland. 28th November (catalogue)
- *7th Contest of Small Graphic Forms for students of the Strzemiński Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź*, Post-contest exhibition, Amcor Flexibles Reflex Sp. z o. o., Łódź, Poland. 28th November (catalogue)
- *6th Exlibris Contest of Klemens Raczak*, Post-contest exhibition, Edward Gallery, Raczyński Library, Poznań. 14th November (catalogue)
- *Exhibition of students and graduates of the Department of Graphic Design*, Kobro Gallery, Academy of Fine Arts, Łódź. 18th October
- *6th Split Graphic - International Graphic Art Biennial*, Post-contest exhibition, Old City Hall, Split, Croatia. 2nd October (catalogue)
- *Exhibition accompanying the 2nd Creativity Workshops*, Art and Culture Center - The Kossak Manor House, Górkki Wielkie. 15th June
- *Proste zadania*, Student exhibition accompanying FOTOFESTIVAL, Photography Studio I and Photography Studio II of Department of Multimedia, Nasza Ściana Gallery, Academy of Fine Arts, Łódź. 24th May
- *Fifth International Artists' Book Exhibition*, King St. Stephen Museum, Székesfehérvár, Hungary. 18th May (catalogue)
- *DRAWING WORKSHOPS HARENDA 2012*, Student exhibition, Aula Gallery, University of Arts, Poznań. 22nd April (catalogue)
- *Student exhibition at the Biała Ściana Gallery*, Biała Ściana Gallery, Academy of Fine Arts, Łódź. 19th April
- *DRAWING WORKSHOPS HARENDA 2012*, Student exhibition, Biała Ściana Gallery, Academy of Fine Arts, Łódź. 9th April (catalogue)
- *Ptaki, dziobaki i inne skrzydlate cudaki*, Printmaking exhibition, POŚpieszna Gallery, Poleski Art Centre, Łódź. 19th March
- *Fine Arts - 30th edition of the Władysław Strzemiński Contest*, Post-contest exhibition, City Art Gallery of Łódź, Łódź. 12th March (catalogue)
- *Exhibition of students of the Computer Image Studio*, Faculty of Graphics and Painting, Ogród Sztuki Gallery, Konstancynów Łódzki. 7th March
- *Exhibition of students of the Woodcut Techniques and Book Art Studio - Faculty of Graphics and Painting*, Kutno Community Centre, Kutno. 6th March
- *DRAWING WORKSHOPS HARENDA 2012*, Promocyjna Gallery of the Academy of Fine Arts, Cracow. 24th January (catalogue)

2012

- *5th International Drawing Competition Wrocław 2012*, Post-contest exhibition, Museum of Architecture, Wrocław. 12th December (catalogue)

- *Exhibition of the Department of Graphic Design at OFF Piotrkowska*, Łódź.
- *6th Contest of Small Graphic Forms for students of the Strzemiński Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź*, Post-contest exhibition, Amcor Flexibles Reflex Sp. z o. o., Łódź. (catalogue)
- *6th Contest of Small Graphic Forms for students of the Strzemiński Academy of Fine Arts in Łódź*, Post-contest exhibition, Amcor Gallery, Łódź. 8th December (catalogue)
- *Interlinie - Manufaktura wczoraj i dziś*, Post-plein-air exhibition, Museum of the Factory, Manufaktura, Łódź. 7th December
- *Students of the Intaglio Techniques Studio, 2010-2012 works*, Pomiedzy Gallery, Academy of Fine Arts, Łódź. 25th October
- *Fine Arts - 29th edition of Władysław Strzemiński Contest*, Post-contest exhibition, Kobro Gallery, Academy of Fine Arts, Łódź. (catalogue)
- *Drawing and Sculpture, Exhibition of students of Drawing Studios and Sculpture Studios*, Department of Graphics and Painting, Kobro Gallery, Academy of Fine Arts, Łódź. (catalogue)
- *11th Open Exhibition Festival, Students Exhibition of the Basics of Graphic Design Studio*, Central Museum of Textiles, Łódź. 12th April
- *Students of the Department of Printmaking*, Exhibition of students of the Faculty of Graphics and Painting, Pomiedzy Gallery, Academy of Fine Arts, Łódź. 9th March
- *Open Exam of Photography Studio*, Exhibition of students of the Faculty of Graphics and Painting, Cytryna Cinema, Łódź. 3rd February

2011

- *Nie tylko Manufaktura, śladami Poznańskiego*, Post-plein-air exhibition, Museum of the Factory, Manufaktura, Łódź. 9th December
- *Górki Wielkie, Zakopane – Harenda 2011*, Post-plein-air exhibition of students of the Faculty of Graphics and Painting, Biała Ściana Gallery, Academy of Fine Arts, Łódź.