## Jochen Pankrath

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## Artist-Biography

1981	Born in Roding (Bayern)
1988-2002	School education
2002-2003	Apprenticeship at "Werkbund
	Werkstatt Nürnberg e.V."
2003-2009	studies of painting at the
	Academy of Fine Arts, Nuremberg by
	Prof. Ralph Fleck
Since 2006	regular exhibitions
Since 2009	Self-employed artist
2015-2017	Lecturer at summer academy Neuburg



## The integration of abstraction in figurative painting

When viewed, the work of Jochen Pankrath shows a certain directness, as if he wanted to transfer his outside world or how he perceives it through his art. Immediately there is a silent interaction of abstraction and figure, an apparently effortless connection of two opposites, like a locomotive whose smoke reminds of an overgrown and inhabited continent. You can find this complexity not only in his painting, but also in his material. Miniature landscapes on roughly cut wooden panels, larger-than-life canvases or light foam panels, the artist adapts the medium to his vision and makes use of the various advantages of the different media.

Another thematic subject in Pankrath's oeuvre is portrait and nude painting. His nudes move effortlessly and fearlessly, feel comfortable despite being on display. They invite the viewer into their most private moments. The works are personal, but are open to you like any new acquaintance.