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The aim to widely connect the business sphere with arts and culture industry has led to the existence of AAMI Corporation. What started as a vision of the young founder Miha Murn to make art more accessible and to help artists present themselves on the market, has escalated to the development of several companies and brands which are all united under one corporation.

The international corporation combines various companies and brands: Institute Atelje Art Murn International, company Mega-Graf Ltd., AAMI Foundation, AAMI Times newspaper, private business Botticelli Club, ART Expo Ljubljana, MGM International Business and public cultural Salvador Club.

The business group has activities in Slovenia, Italy, Austria, Hungary, Czech Republic, Netherlands, Spain, United Kingdom, Turkey, Russia, United Arab Emirates, India, China and other countries.







Miha Murn / Michael Gregorjev Murn President & CEO / AAMI Corporation

AAMI has taken new steps towards new markets after long period of business restructuring. Hungary is an important market in Europe with its long and rich history in culture.

Our project AAMI Budapest is one of many in series of finding partners and artists in Hungary. With the support of company BTC d.d., Institute AAMI's general partner, we have better possibilities to be present on more than 10 markets at once.

In October 2023, we are organising the 3rd ART Expo Ljubljana, where we will gladly include also Hungarian artists and galleries, and present them at this large-scale international event in Slovenia. In the near future, we are also planning on opening a new market in Egypt and setting up the foundations for our new brand AAMI+, an international platform for art.

Chiho Shum



## Damjan Kralj /

Chief Executive Officer at BTC d.d.

The company BTC has always been a proud supporter of arts and culture, and during the many fruitful years of collaboration and being the general partner of Institute AAMI, many successful projects and events in Slovenia and abroad have been completed.

BTC City is Europe's largest business, shopping, recreational, entertainment and cultural centre, but through many other initiatives, such as our startup accelerator ABC Accelerator for example, we are present and connected globally. This is why we are happy to support AAMI's expansion of cultural activities to the Hungarian market. The AAMI Budapest project which will feature more than 15 established and emerging artists from 8 countries is surely an example of art's ability to connect and gather individuals from different backgrounds and to combine their artistic work in one common exhibition.

At BTC company, we are looking forward to more of our international collaborations with Institute AAMI.



Iztok Seljak / Director of Holding Hidria / Honorary Consul of Hungary in Slovenia

»Art is too important not to share, « a quote by the artist Romero Britto with which I could not agree more. Art is meant to be viewed and admired, to be shocked or charmed by. To be inspired by.

As the Honorary Consul of Hungary in Slovenia, I am thrilled by the fact that the next international project of Institute AAMI will take place in Budapest, which is also known as the metropolis of amazing art and architecture.

The exhibition of so many different artists from several different countries will for sure be an unforgettable experience for all the participants and visitors. I am convinced that this project by AAMI will bring a new breath of fresh air and inspiration for the Hungarian art scene and public as well. May the project bring many fruitful collaborations and successful future projects to AAMI, artists and partners for a better world for all!





Daša Podržaj /

Head of Projects and Business Development at AAMI Corporation

At AAMI, we are always looking for new possibilities to present and promote artists who are collaborating with us. We are thrilled to expand our activities to the Hungarian market through project AAMI Budapest. 17 participants from 8 countries will be presenting their art at the exhibition and in the official catalogue of the project. Several brands are also joining in for their presentation, thus confirming one of our primary goals which is connecting culture and business. May this project be a successful beginning of a fruitful collaboration between our talented international artists, AAMI and the Hungarian market!



#### Klemen Bukovec /

Operations Coordinator at AAMI Corporation

The art market in Budapest is very vivid, full of opportunities and initiatives for artists. It is with great pleasure that AAMI team is able to start our activities in this European metropolis, full of history, artistic achievements and mixing cultures. Ljubljana, Prague, Hong Kong, London, Amsterdam, Dubai, Milan, Paris and other cities where we have our activities will be joined by Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube" as they call this gorgeous city. I am gladly inviting you to read through the AAMI Budapest official catalogue which is presenting all the participating artists with their artworks, brands and AAMI business partners.



ēmple / 2021 / Acrylic on canvas 20 x 120 cm

# Igor Kantar /

Igor Kantar was born in 1998 in Belgrade, Serbia. After graduating at Belgrade School of Design, he started studying at the Faculty of Applied Arts in Belgrade where he obtained a bachelor's degree in the department of Applied Arts (Painting) with a specialization in Mural Painting. In 2021, he enrolled into a master's program at Faculty of Applied Arts in the Mural Painting division. Graduating with honors allowed him to receive the most prestigious national scholarship, the "Dositej Scholarship". He participated in several group exhibitions, such as "Awakening" in 2018 and 2019, exhibition of nudes in 2020 and 2021, as well as four annual exhibitions within the Faculty of Applied Arts. In February of 2022, he organized his first solo exhibition with two other authors.

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About therapy in therapy: a dream / 2022 / Acryl on canvas / 60 x 100 cm

## Eva Forstnerič /

Eva Forstnerič is a young artist working on integration of different fields. She grew up in Wisconsin USA before the family moved. During her study at the Ljubljana academy, she came across psychoanalysis which led to her further study of therapy at SFU Vienna. She regularly exhibits at Slovenian extempore, and multinational exhibitions. About therapy in therapy: a dream / In this cycle of paintings, the artists` intention is to engage the viewer in therapeutic process. She paints empty therapist chairs and couches with notes and transcripts. In this smaller painting however, she paints a dream.

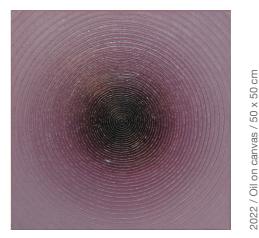
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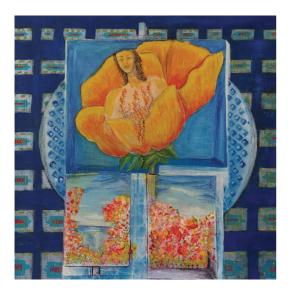








2022 / Oil on canvas / 100 x 100 cm





Razzak Jubayer is an academic painter and experimental photographer. He concluded the Academy of arts in the former Yugoslavia at the University of Prishtina and now he lives and works in Piran. Slovenia. He is using mixed techniques for painting, such as acrylic paints, aquarelle and airbrush techniques. Sophism is his way of life and in his endeavour to search for beauty, he translates poetry into colours. His visual style is mainly modern Dadaism. His frequent collaborations are with the group E20 GAIA from Perugia, Sensation Kunst from Klagenfurt and with Institute AAMI. Some of his recent art exhibitions were held in Vienna, Ljubljana, London, Prague and Dubai.

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Spring / 2022 / Acrylic on canvas / 40 x 50 cm

# Igor Kotnik / PastelArt

Igor Kotnik lives and creates in his studio in Brezovica near Ljubljana. In 1979, he graduated from the School of Design in Ljubljana. His motifs are from a variety of both nature and abstraction with dry pastels on paper or acrylics and oils on canvas. At the age of 9, he presented his early collection at a group exhibition of young artists in the Modern Gallery of Ljubljana. In 1984, he held his first solo exhibition at the M-tourist gallery in Ljubljana. His works are also in private collections in Slovenia, Croatia, Serbia, Italy, Germany, Sweden and the Netherlands.

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The Katie Feygie Art Gallery was founded in Prague (Czech Republic) in 1996. Since its opening it specializes in contemporary fine arts (graphics, paintings, and sculptures), modern art, and fine arts. Since 2000, the Katie Feygie Art Gallery holds annual contemporary art auctions in the USA, Israel, and Prague.

Besides exhibitions, the gallery holds art shows of contemporary art in Europe, Asia, and the USA. In 2014 the Katie Feygie Art Gallery formed the "Katie Feygie Art Club" for collectors and art lovers from all around the world. Since 1996, the Katie Feygie Art Gallery has opened more than 300 exhibitions and more than 260 auctions.

In 2013, 2015, and 2017, the Katie Feygie Art Gallery was awarded the People Vote award as the best commercial gallery in Prague. In 2022, the Katie Feygie Art Gallery became the Member of the Czech Chamber of Commerce and is counted as the leading privately-owned art gallery in Prague.



The Little Libretto / 2022 / Mixed media on canvas / 60 x 44,5 cm / The Musicians of Prague Collection

# Kirill Postovit /

Kirill Postovit is a well-known contemporary academic painter and sculptor. Since 1996, he has been a member of the Academic Artists Association of Israel. His work is versatile but always easily recognizable. In his sculptural, graphics and painting works, the profound philosophy of every painting and sculpture can be felt in addition to professionalism. Since 1990, there have been more than 260 personal exhibitions by Kirill Postovit of his works. "While it is not inappropriate to link Postovit with surrealism, which had a strong following in Czechoslovakia, the element of whimsy, of the fantastical, and a predilection for symbolic modes of representation, also recalls the work of Marc Chagall."(an extract from The Edges Of Art Catalog introduction prepared by Prof. David Lomas, Professor of Art History, Manchester University, UK June 2019).

Represented by Katie Feygie Art Gallery



Soul / 2021 / Oil on canvas / 60 x 60 cm

# Alina Sharovchenko /

Alina Sharovchenko is a contemporary artist based in Slovenia. She believes people have to follow their inner feeling and soul. She believes that everything in life happens at the right time. Her path was not always rosy and after various ups or downs, she found herself in her studio. Now, she has chosen a path that satisfies her. She has always enjoyed ideas, creation, changes for the better, smiles... And now she can express that with drawing, play, colour and different materials. She likes to share her energy, thoughts and dreams with her audience.

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Ocean / 2021 / Combination painting, Resin Top Coat / fi 45 cm

# Jana Emma Spodniaková /

With hands-on connection, Jana Emma Spodniaková creates high vibrational artworks with intent - accelerators of potential with the imprint of the client's soul. 89% of people live below the average of their capabilities, thus she helps people open up 100% of their life and business potential. She learnt that life is about following and fulfilling our unique potential, about accepting, understanding ourselves and keeping to our own unique path. She has since connected business, intuition, money and spirituality. So far, her artworks were displayed in exhibitions in Ljubljana, Prague, Dubai and Budapest.

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Bounty of Life / 2022 / Natural pigments and acrylics / 70 x 100 cm



Wake up the Goddess within / 2019 / Acrylic on canvas / 60 x 80 cm

# Maja Müller /

Maja Müller (b.1988) was born and raised in Slovenia and holds a Master's in International Business from the Hult International Business School in London. Each of her paintings has a unique story, intertwined with a strong message of value that invites the viewers to connect with it through their own emotional world. Her paintings are a unique path of light and life force with a subtle symbolism. Her "fil rouge" is gold. Gold is her fluidity. She is linear and abstract: realistic and imaginative. Paintings are made from mixed media, such as natural pigments, oils, acrylics, and a range of gold and silver.

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# Kaly Kolonič /

Kaly Kolonič is a Slovenian artist who creates powerful energetic paintings. In 1992, she discovered her true love is actually abstract art and she found a whole new part of her talent. Her energetic paintings automatically and gently bring positive changes into your life. She had a successful career in different fields as a singer, choreographer, radio host, TV host, PR expert, social media strategist and coach. Kaly Kolonič is the only Slovenian who was given the prestigious international award "Lady of the year" for her accomplishments and contribution to society.

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Beauty of Africa / 2021 / Pastels on paper / 42 x 29.5 cm

# Btgraj /

Since his childhood, Raj was always attracted towards drawing and sketching, but somehow due to lack of awareness and environment, he couldn't connect to his passion and purpose. After lots of ups and downs in life, and 11 years of successful work as a mind-power and motivational speaker, he finished writing his book on mind (to be published in July 2022). In 2019, he decided for full time art profession and has been drawing almost every day since. Technically, he prefers mixed medium which includes pastels, acrylic and charcoal.

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From the series The Guardians / 2014 / Digital photography / 60 x 46 cm

## Maribel Briceño /

Maribel Briceño (b. 1962) is a visual artist, graduated from the "Arturo Michelena" School of Plastic Arts in Valencia, Carabobo, Venezuela. Since 2004, her works have been selected to participate in painting, drawing and photography competitions. When she was a child, she used cardboard boxes and various materials to build dollhouses. Today, she continues to play through the interpretation of the work of Henri Matisse or her own stories where she usually intervenes as the protagonist: "It is from me that the creation of my world emanates, that is why the vanishing point is in my eyes."

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Ljubljana street / 2022 / Acrylic on Cardboard / 40 x 57 cm

# Alenka Ana Štante /

Alenka Ana Štante is a Slovenian artist, living in Ljubljana. She finished Arthouse, school of painting in Ljubljana. She is emotional, creative and full of ideas. Her inspiration is mostly nature. She describes herself as an intuitive painter. Alenka uses strong, clear colours and likes to paint with acrylic and oil technique in ex-tempore. So far, she has had several exhibitions in Slovenia and picks up her creative ideas from her travels.

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At "La Restinga", Margarita island / Digitalized photography / 60 x 50 cm

# José Francisco Voglar /

José Voglar is the son of Slovenian immigrants, born in Venezuela in 1955. During his studies for a degree as a marine biologist, he discovered photography and dedicated himself entirely to it as a freelance editorial photographer. His gaze is directed towards the water, his eternal friend, and the natural spaces. His photographs have been exhibited in Venezuela, Cuba, Martinique, Spain, Slovenia and Lithuania. He currently lives and photographs in Slovenia.

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Night at the Lake / Oil on canvas / 50 x 70 cm

# Milena Šimunič /

"In poetry and painting, I see the opportunity to express my most personal experiences and feelings. I bring my personal attitude to the visual creation of what I see. The interpretive path leads me from realism to abstraction. In my oeuvre, the classic motive repertoire plays an important role, the painting abstract phase is the one that liberates me. The images are different and are made in different techniques, especially in oil on canvas. I wish for my paintings to be open organisms, which are expressed in the effect of endlessness and travel seemingly beyond its frames with the support of the expressive power of colors and with the vision of the future "

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Essence of abundance / 2022 / Acrylic and polymer clay / fi 80 cm

# Marjanca Vergan / Mandala 4 you

Marjanca Vergan is a Slovenian designer of mandalas, graphic designer and a professional astrologist. About herself and her work she says: »Each and every one of the mandalas is unique and has undergone an initiating ritual that initiates them to serve your highest wellbeing. It will bring me great joy if my mandalas delight you in a thousand and one ways, and that way I will be able to help you draw and attract luck and happiness into your lives, in the same way the mandalas have helped me.«

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# ISYDQRA LUXURY SILK ART

Isydora Luxury Silk Art is a brand presenting handcrafted products that are intended to bring royal comfort and a one-of-a-kind tale into the lives of those who are not afraid to dream.

The Isydora brand is built around an inseparable duo, two founders who are bonded in a very special way; they are mother and daughter. Iris, the mother, who is a fashion designer and a strong enthusiast of "patchwork" sewing techniques, was the first initiator towards the establishment of the brand. After finishing her architectural studies, Lucija came up with the idea for them to start handmaking exclusive bedspreads, which wouldn't be just that, but also a tale with a very significant message.

Their creations are unique, designer, and handcrafted from high-quality materials (such as silk and glass crystals) in order to provide a blend of "royal comfort" and art on the market for high-end individuals who value aesthetics and relaxation in their bedroom.





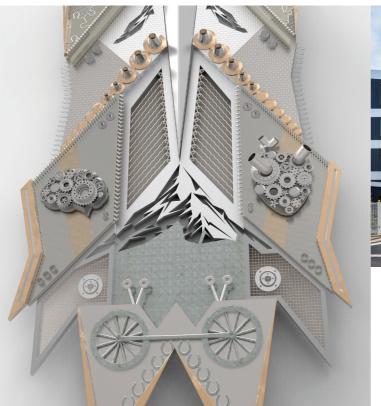






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The MDM Company has been active in the area of stainless steel and aluminium products and services for over 40 years.

The long-established tradition of maintaining flexibility, quality and a high standard of services is permeated with numerous references gained in co-operation with partners from Slovenia and abroad. MDM is a reputable partner to companies from the metal, food, processing, automotive, chemical and pharmaceutical industries.

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The installation "Making Dream Monuments" is not only a monument to the events that marked the development of the company MDM throughout history, but also focuses on current operations and predicts the bright future and development of the company.

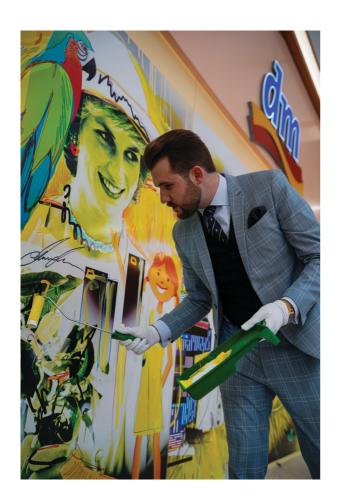
The artwork, designed by Miha Murn, a versatile artist and owner of AAMI Corporation, consists of 7 main parts. The art installation, made by professionals from the company MDM, measures more then 9 m in height and more then 3 m in width. The seven parts of the installation consist of a relief about 50 cm deep.

The installation is made of different materials - steel, aluminum and iron, which were processed by various processes such as laser cutting, bending, welding, gluing, painting and other.





Art Goes Beauty with artist Miha Murn



In the "Art Goes Beauty" campaign by dm, we put art at the forefront and drew inspiration from it. We connected art with beauty and looked for answers to the question "What makes us beautiful?" We invited local artists in 11 countries, including Slovenia, to interpret the theme in their personal style, and create works of art that will adorn the facades of dm stores.

The participating artist of the project in Slovenia, Miha Murn, created digital graphics for dm. He drew inspiration from people who inspire others, and at the same time presented his vision of the concept of beauty in his artworks.

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