

# **MURAT SAYGINER**

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## **Biography :**

Murat Sayginer is a self-taught artist who works in the fields of photography and digital art, and is also known as a filmmaker and composer.

Born in Prague in 1989, Murat Sayginer studied in Paris during his childhood and graduated from Lycee Charles De Gaulle high school in Ankara. He got involved with photography in 2007 and won several international awards. In 2008 his works were selected for "IPA BEST OF SHOW" exhibition in New York. In 2010 he was awarded Emerging Talent of the Year in the Worldwide Photography Gala Awards. He has written, directed and produced several animated short films since 2013. His films were screened in over 150 film festivals and 6 of them were staff picked on Vimeo. He is currently living and working as a freelancer in Ankara.

## **Awards :**

### **2018 Mexico International Film Festival, Mexico**

Winner of the Golden Palm award in Animation Competition

### **2017 Open World Animation Festival, USA**

Winner of the award for Best Experimental Film

### **2017 ATF Animated Film Festival, Iran**

Appreciated Film in Experimental and Newmedia Section

### **2016 5th Hak-İş International Short Film Festival, Turkey**

Winner of the award for Best Original Score

### **2015 Davis International Film Festival, USA**

Winner of the award for Best Animation

### **2011 PreFoto International Photography Competition, Serbia**

Winner of the 1st prize

### **2011 Fokus International Competition of Artistic Photography, Albania**

Winner of the 3rd prize

### **2010 WPGA, Pollux Awards, UK**

Emerging Talent of the Year

### **2010 PX3 Prix de la Photographie Paris, France**

1st prize - Portraiture - Personality

**2010 Trierenberg Super Circuit, Austria**

Goldmedal - Special Themes - The Magic of Colours

**2009 International Photography Awards, Lucie Foundation, USA**

3rd prize - Editorial - Personality ; 3rd prize - Fine Art - Collage

**2009 PX3 Prix de la Photographie Paris, France**

1st prize - Advertising - Music ; 3rd prize - Fine Art - Digitally Enhanced

**2009 Trierenberg Super Circuit, Austria**

Goldmedal - Special Themes - Painted With Light

**2008 International Photography Awards, Lucie Foundation, USA**

1st prize - Editorial - Personality ; 1st prize - Advertising - Music ; 3rd prize - Advertising - Other ; 3rd prize - Special - Digitally Enhanced

**Group Exhibitions :**

2018 - "FILE 2018 - Electronic Language International Festival" - Fiesp Cultural Center, São Paulo, Brazil

2017 - "Celebration of the Arts – Art in Motion" - Fort Worth, Texas, United States

2015 - "Colors of Life - Young Men with Big Dreams" - Capital One Corporate Gallery, Richmond, VA, United States

2014 - "Exposition Focus" - Gallery of Art, Fier, Albania

2014 - "Colors of Life - Young Men with Big Dreams" - Pepco Edison Gallery, Washington DC, United States

2012 - '6th Arte Laguna Prize Finalist Artists Exhibition' - Romanian Cultural Institute, Venice, Italy

2012 - 'Worldwide Photography Biennial Exhibition' - The Palais de Glace, Buenos Aires, Argentina

2011 - 'PreFoto' - Cultural Center "Abdullah Krashnica", Preševo, Serbia

2011 - 'Exposition Focus' - Gallery of Art, Fier, Albania

2011 - 'Colors of Life : A Dream in Color' - Art Works, The Jane Sandelin Gallery, Richmond, VA, United States

2011 - 'Colors of Life : A Dream in Color' - Capital One Corporate Gallery, Richmond, VA, United States

2010 - 'Colors of Life : A Dream in Color' - Embassy of Guatemala, Washington DC, United States

2008 - 'IPA Best of Show' - Splashlight Studios, SOHO Gallery, New York, United States

**Selected Festivals :**

LTUE Film Festival 2019, Provo, United States

3rd Chaniartoon 2019, Chania, Greece

29th Istanbul International Short Film Festival 2018, Istanbul, Turkey

6th International Animators Festival 2018, Istanbul, Turkey

Lucid Dream Fantastic Film Festival 2018, Toscana, Italy

Melrose Film Festival 2018, Orlando, United States

Punto y Raya Festival 2018, Wroclaw, Poland

Tripoteca Psychedelic Film Festival 2018, Worldwide

ANNY Animation Nights 2018, New York, United States

Shenandoah Seasonal Film Series 2018, Strasburg, VA, United States

North Bellarine Film Festival 2018, Victoria, Australia

VIFF Vienna Independent Film Festival 2018, Vienna, Austria

Mexico International Film Festival 2018, Baja, Mexico

Der Phantastische Trashfilm 2018, Kassel, Germany

The Quarantine Film Festival 2018, Varna, Bulgaria

Philadelphia Independent Film Festival 2018, Philadelphia, United States

The Mosaic Film Festival 2018, Clarkston, United States

Athens International Film and Video Festival 2018, Athens, United States

Ecozine Film Festival 2018, Zaragoza, Spain

Boomtown Film and Music Festival 2018, Beaumont, United States

ANNY Animation Nights 2018, New York, United States

Athens Animfest 2017, Athens, Greece

Open World Animation Festival 2017, Allentown, United States

ATF Animated Film Festival 2017, Tehran, Iran

Chhatrapati Shivaji International Film Festival 2016, Pune, India

5th Hak-İş International Short Film Festival 2016, Ankara, Turkey

47th Kraf International Short Film Festival 2016, Rijeka, Croatia  
17th International Izmir Short Film Festival 2016, Izmir, Turkey  
Dracula Film Festival 2016, Brasov, Romania  
Cut it Short Film Festival 2016, Istanbul, Turkey  
Nightpiece Film Festival 2016, Edinburgh, United Kingdom  
Medway Visions Film Festival 2016, Kent, United Kingdom  
Hackney Attic Film Festival 2016, London, United Kingdom  
Cartoon Club 2016, Rimini, Italy  
Karakoy Short Film Days 2016, Istanbul, Turkey  
39th Elche International Independent Film Festival 2016, Elche, Spain  
Cavo Fest 2016, Trani, Italy  
Rabbitfest 2016, Perugia, Italy  
Love Horror Short Film Festival 2016, California, United States  
Heartearth Festival 2016, Berlin, Germany  
Comicalooza Film Festival 2016, Texas, United States  
The Quarantine Film Festival 2016, Varna, Bulgaria  
Backup Festival 2016, Weimar, Germany  
Bloody Week-end Film Festival 2016, Franche-Comté, France  
Transmission Video Art Festival 2016, Karlsruhe, Germany - Athens, Greece  
AniFest 2016, Connecticut, United States  
International Second Hand Film Festival 2016, Ankara, Turkey  
Chippewa Valley Film Festival 2016, Wisconsin, United States  
Ouarzazate International Film Festival 2016, Morocco, Africa  
Drunken Zombie Film Festival 2016, Illinois, United States  
Third Culture Film Festival 2016, Hong Kong, China  
NukhuFest 2016, New York, United States  
Chennai International Short Film Festival 2016, Chennai, India  
Goldensun Short Film Festival 2015, Malta  
Anilogue International Animation Festival 2015, Budapest, Hungary

I.N.S.A.N.E Animation Film Festival 2015, Malmo, Sweden  
Davis International Film Festival 2015, California, United States  
Visionaria Film Festival 2015, Siena, Italy  
Multivision Festival 2015, St.Petersburg, Russia  
Nottingham International Microfilm Festival 2015, Nottingham, England  
Festival Film Front 2015, Novi Sad, Serbia  
Vasteras Film Festival 2015, Vasteras, Sweden  
FilmOneFest 2015, New Jersey, United States  
Pause Festival 2015, Melbourne, Australia  
Tripoteca Psychedelic Film Festival 2015, Worldwide  
File Anima+ 2014, Sao Paulo, Brazil