

Elleny Gherghe

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Biography

Elleny Gherghe (b. 1994, Romania) is a contemporary artist living and working in Sotogrande, Spain. She graduated from the National University of Arts in Bucharest, mural painting department in 2016.

Her works rely on the beauty of nature to portray a woman as an archetype of a bygone era, seemingly desiring to escape from the assigned role and merge with vegetation and animals in pursuit of a possibly kinder existence.

The solitude, tranquillity, and subtle blend of human, animal, and nature in her paintings evoke the spectral halo typical of currents directly influenced by historical surrealism.

Delving into her own experiences and the rich tapestry of her homeland, she offers us a window into a world where the call for empathy with the natural environment becomes not only essential but urgent.

Elleny's works have been exhibited internationally and are part of private collections in countries such as Romania, Germany, Spain, Gibraltar, the United Kingdom, Switzerland, Indonesia, the Netherlands and the USA.

Education

2013-2016	National University of Arts, Decorative Arts and Design, Bucharest, Romania
2009-2013	George Apostu National College of Arts, Bacău, Romania

Solo Exhibitions

2026	Motherhood and the Beast Within 1-30 September 2026 Museum of Ethnography and Contemporary Art Dimitrie N. Ghika, Ghika Palace, Comănești, Romania
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Duo Exhibitions

2023	Pulsión Animal Elleny Gherghe & María Cobas Espacio Líquido Gallery, Asturias, Spain
2021	Träumen Elleny Gherghe & Marlene Schanz Tiberius Art Gallery, Neu-Isenburg, Germany

Group Exhibitions

2025	Subirse al foro Nando Argüelles Art Projects, Madrid, Spain
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2024	Hair Stories by Elseve L'Oréal Paris Art Safari Museum, Bucharest, Romania 6 September – 15 December 2024
2023	Art & Concert Sofia Urbina & Baluarte Gallery, Madrid, Spain
2022	Recent Artworks San Roque Club, Cádiz, Spain
2021	Climate Action & Visual Culture virtual exhibition
2019	46th International Art Competition Gustavo Bacarisas Art Gallery, Gibraltar
2019	The National Celebrations Exhibition Fine Arts Gallery, Gibraltar
2019	The Alwani Summer Painting Exhibition Fine Arts Gallery, Gibraltar
2019	Child Wings Benefit Art Exhibition Ikonen Museum, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
2016	Diploma 2016 Știrbei Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2016	BA Exhibition Gallery of Art, Bucharest, Romania

Art Fairs

2023	Estampa Art Fair, with Espacio Líquido and La Gran Gallery, Madrid, Spain
2021	The Other Art Fair – Global Virtual Edition, Saatchi Art

Public Art

2016	Flowers for Jung Mural painting created as a personal undergraduate thesis project at the National University of Arts, Bucharest, Romania
2016	Map of the Village Mural painting developed for Andreea Marina Tofoleanu's undergraduate thesis project, in collaboration with Elleny Gherghe, Ioana Niculescu, Cezar Manta, and Bogdan Sogan, under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Lisandru Neamtu, at Casa cu Blazoane (a historic monument and UNESCO World Heritage site), Chiojdu, Romania

Auctions

Notably, all works by Elleny Gherghe offered at auction have sold, reflecting a consistent interest in her work within the Romanian art market.

2026	Refresh: Contemporary Art Auction, including Marcel Chirnoagă, Lot 65, Auction #645/2026, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2025	Summer in the City: Postwar and Contemporary Art Auction, Lot 15, Auction #601/2025, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2025	Postwar and Contemporary Art Auction, including The Collection of a Beloved Actress, Lot 113, Auction #593/2025, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2025	Postmodern and Contemporary Art Auction, Lot 128, Auction #582/2025, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2024	Postwar and Contemporary Art Auction, including selections from the collection of art historian Ruxandra Garofeanu and the collection of writer Ilie Mirea, Lot 163, Auction #569/2024, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2024	Back to Art: Contemporary Art Auction, Lot 23, Auction #563/2024, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2024	Back to Art: Contemporary Art Auction, Lot 33, Auction #563/2024, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2024	Postmodern and Contemporary Art Auction, Lot 113, Auction #560/2024, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2024	Contemporary Art Auction, Lots 55 and 57, Auction #544/2024, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2024	Corporate Contemporary Art Collection Auction, Lots 11 and 20, Auction #532/2024, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2023	Postwar and Contemporary Art Auction, Lot 114, Auction #519/2023, Artmark Auction House, Bucharest, Romania
2023	Anniversary Auction (Part II): Contemporary Art Sale, Lot 166, Auction #500/2023, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2023	Postmodern and Contemporary Art Auction, Lot 22, Auction #487/2023, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2023	Art Now: Contemporary Art Auction, including a charity selection for the independent art space ETAJ, Lot 24, Auction #482/2023, Artmark Auction House, Cesianu-Racoviță Palace, Bucharest, Romania
2022	Postmodern and Contemporary Art Auction, Lots 107 (Auction #462/2022), 109 (Auction #459/2022), and 177 (Auction #438/2022), Artmark Auction House, Bucharest, Romania
2022	Art Today: Contemporary Art Auction, including a charity section supporting the Auzim cu sufletul ("We Hear with the Soul") project, organized by Rotary Club Pipera, Lot 67, Auction #435/2022, Artmark Auction House, Bucharest, Romania

Collections

Works held in private collections in Romania, Germany, Spain, Gibraltar, the United Kingdom, Switzerland, Indonesia, the Netherlands, and the United States.

Press

2026	The Guide Artists Catalogue — Summer 2026 International Art Market edition
2026	The Guide Artists Magazine — Issue 89, Featured Artist
2024	Interview with Raluca Harabagiu — International Curated Stories
2023	Suboart Magazine — Issue 14, Featured Artist
2023	Propagarta — Interview by Ana Arsinca
2022	ArtExit — Interview
2021	The Other Art Fair — Video interview, presented by Saatchi Art
2021	Ateneu Cultural Magazine — Interview, Issues 627-628
2021	The World of Interiors — October issue, featured artwork Inner Journey

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