# ARCTIC TECHNOLOGY AND THE GLOBAL SEEDVAULT

Spitsbergen, Svalbard 2000-2014

26 cm x 78.7 cm. Edition 7 + 2 39 in. x118 in. 3 +1

C-print on aluminium

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## BACKGROUND

The «Arctic Technology and Global Seed Vault» series was captured on Spitsbergen, the largest island in the archipelago of Svalbard.

Throughout the past fourteen years I have been exploring humanity's impact on Earth.

This secluded island has the cleanest atmosphere on Earth as well as perfect satellite recieving points. Researchers come from every corner of the Earth to help predict the future of our planet in terms of climate change.

As in all my projects throughout the past twenty years, I explore the relationship and conflict between nature and culture. The Global Seed Vault holds seeds from almost every country in the world, safeguarding the planets biodiversity from global warming, catastrophes and terrorism.



ANTENNAFOREST 1 Svalbard, 2000



WINTERNIGHT Svalbard, 2002



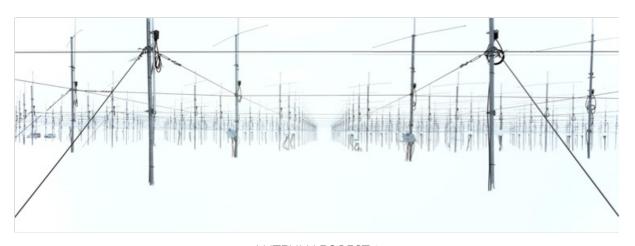
DUSK Svalbard, 2003



SENTINELS Svalbard, 2002



SPHERES IN MOONLIGHT Svalbard, 2000



ANTENNAFOREST 3 Svalbard, 2012



SUNKEN SHIP Svalbard, 2001



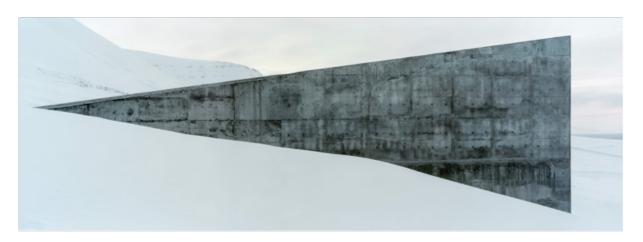
SEEDVAULT 1 Svalbard, 2014



SEEDVAULT 2 Svalbard, 2012



SEEDVAULT 5 Svalbard, 2012



SEEDVAULT 3 Svalbard, 2012



SEEDVAULT 4 Svalbard, 2012



SEEDVAULT 6 Svalbard, 2014



SEEDVAULT 7 Svalbard, 2014



SEEDVAULT 8 Svalbard, 2014



## RELEVANT CV AND LINKS FOR ARCTIC TECHNOLOGY 2003-2014

#### 2014

- · Beyond Earth Art •
- Public speaking, `Beyond Earth Art` (contemporary artists and the environment),
   Johnson Museum of Art, New York.
   (incl. Olafur Eliasson, Edward Burtynsky, Mathew Brandt, Yun-Fei Ji amongst others)
- Vanishing Ice` Tour USA/Canada, Whatcom Museum 2013-2016
- Publication 'Vanishing Ice', Alpine and Polar Landscapes in Art, 1775-2012.
   Author Barbara Matilsky

#### 2013

- · Carnegie, Arctic Technology series, commission. Oslo
- Fotografier mellom fiksjon og virkelighet.
   Fotogalleriet. Oslo. Collaborative + book publication
- · Vanishing Ice, Arctic Technology, Whatcom (Museum of Washington) USA
- · Ministry of Enviroment, Oslo, Norway. Public commission
- Altered Landscapes: Photographs of a changing environment.(Impact of human activity on natural landscapes) by Ann M. Wolfe. Rizzoli Publications.

#### 2012

- Vanishing Ice, Arctic Technology, Whatcom (Museum of Washington) USA
- Arctic Technology/Shadow Within, Public speaking, Ambassadors residence, London
- · Tedx Talk, Arctic Technology series, Trondheim
- · Nevada Museum of Art collection. Acquisition

#### 2010

- · Elementene, Akershus Kunstsenter, collaborative
- · In full color, Hosfelt Gallery, New York, collaborative

#### 2009

- Arctic technology/Barentsburg Hosfelt Gallery, San. Fran. solo
- · AntArctica, Haugar Kunstmuseum, collaborative
- The coldest winter, Hosfelt Gallery, San. Fran, collaborative

#### 2008

- Blå Kors Auksjonen, Blomqvist Auctionhouse, Oslo, collaborative
- · Arctic technology Hosfelt Gallery New York, USA, solo
- · Gardemoen Airport,10-year Anniversary Oslo, public
- · Trondheim S. Rom for Kunst Tr.hjem, public
- · Oslo Sentral Station/Rom for Kunst Oslo, public
- Pecha Kucha/Arctic Tech. Barentsburg Oslo, public

#### 2007

- ArtBasel/Scout Gallery, London Miami, collaborative
- PhotoLondon Fair, Zebra Gallery London, collaborative
- Defence Ministry H.Q. Oslo, commission, public

#### 2006

- · Zebra One, London, collaborative
- · Sotheby's London, collaborative auction
- · Defence Ministry H.Q. Oslo, acquisitions
- · Innovation Norway/Arctic Tech. N.Y.U.S, public
- · Innovation Norway/Arctic Tech. San. Fran., U.S., public
- Innovation Norway/Arctic Tech. Toronto, Canada, public

#### 2005

- Arctic Technology, Scout Gallery, London, solo
- Paris Photo, Scout Gallery, London Louvre, Paris, collaborative
- PhotoLondon Fair/Scout Gallery London, collaborative

#### 2003

- · Økokrim, Oslo, acquisition
- · Eiendommsspar Oslo, acquisition

### EXHIBITIONS AND COMMISIONS:





VANISHING ICE Whatcom 2012/2013





Gardemoen Airport, Oslo

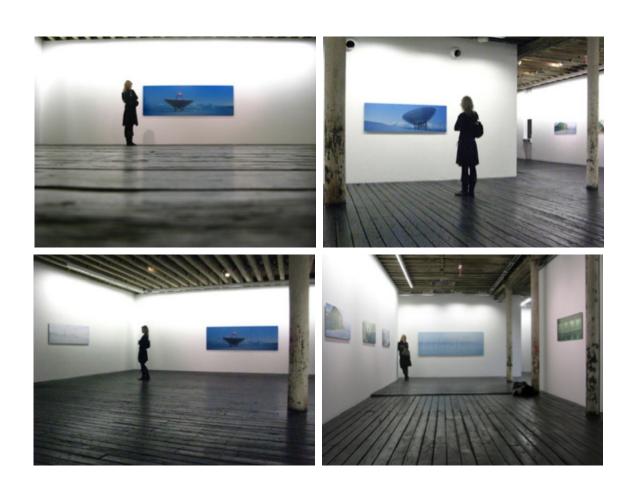








Gardemoen Airport, Oslo



ARCTIC TECHNOLOGY AND BARENTSBURG Hosfelt Gallery, 2006







ARCTIC TECHNOLOGY AND BARENTSBURG Hosfelt Gallery, San Francisco, 2009





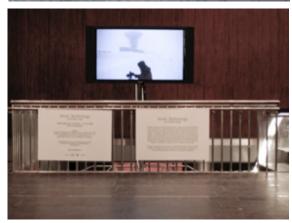




ANTARTICA Haugar Artmuseum, 2009

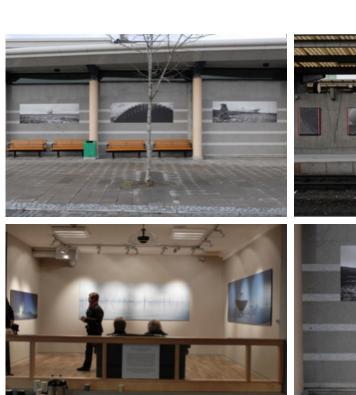








ROM FOR KUNST Oslo City, 2008











ROM FOR KUNST Tr. Sentral st., 2008



Scout Gallery, London, 2005