

Piece of Art by Hiwa K.: “When we were exhaling images”



The sewer pipes are a creation of Hiwa K. and belong to the most famous works of art of the documenta 14. The artwork consists of 20 sewer pipes with a diameter of 90cm each. Together with the art academy in Kassel, Hiwa K. furnished the pipes.

Hiwa K. uses stories of people in his works of art. Through these works of art he wants to draw attention to how many people are in need and have to live with little space. Many people in the world live in very small rooms or outdoors, either because they are homeless or refugees. Some also live in large cities and have little space because there is a housing shortage.

He himself was born in 1975 in the Kurdish part of Iraq. Today he lives in Berlin, where he studied music and worked as a guitarist for a long time.

Questions:

What is documenta 14? (2)

Where (from which town) did Hiwa K. get the inspiration for this piece of art? (1)

Please write to Minu Dayyari for the answers!