

We Still Had To Curtsy

Myriam Thyes, 2024-2025, c-prints mounted on aluminium DiBond, 42 cm diameter each (or larger)

Until the 1970s in Germany, girls had to curtsy and boys had to do a servant; some rarely and on the side, other children under strict observation and in front of all adults. For girls in particular, this was often humiliating. In this series, women curtsy in memory of their childhood. The texts quote some of their comments on curtsying.

The design of the images make us think of traffic signs that set out commandments and rules.