

Catalogue 2020



1st row - from left to right: Dan Barichasse, Arghaël, Flo Arnold, Didier Genty, Fred Kleinberg 2nd row - from left to right: Elisabeth Daynès, Cedric Le Corf, Christophe Miralles, Paul de Pignol, Tana Chaney

Available Works



Arghaël



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Biography

Arghaël

Through his work in filming portraits and commercials, Arghaël became fascinated by the human body, captured through the prism of camera eyes and editing rooms. Looking for a more personal mode of expression, he turned to charcoal and canvas to explore the rawness of human intimacy.

To hone his skills, he studied charcoal drawing with live models at the Ateliers Beaux-Arts of Paris (Gérard Venturelli's class). From then on, Arghaël's work will question the mystery of the flesh, frontally probing the unconscious (with every hand's stroke) to ultimately give birth on canvas. What the artist calls « un incident pictural», a pictural incident.

In his exploration of the human body, Arghaël will soon bare it all, viscerally exposing the body within.

His charcoal now captures flesh, bones and blood vessels to their bare essence as he draws his men and women on the walls of his 'mental cave', the canvas lying before his eyes like a second skin.

At times, his carbon giants with oversized limbs and evanescent faces seem to be floating in space, reflecting newfound freedom in the very act of drawing.

Arghaël's creatures rise to life before our eyes, true metaphors for the creative process. His graphic approach, similar to compositing, allows telluric flashes, amplified by warm pastels and oil painting. To capture flesh in its primitive expression, and give intemporal elegance to his bigger-than-life creations, Arghaël uses charcoal.

Encouraged by art-directors and curators he met in Berlin and Los Angeles galleries, Arghaël decides to show his work in Paris. In 2016, the Loo & Lou Gallery welcomes his first solo exhibition.



Selected exhibitions (excerpts)

Group Show – Red Wall Sceaux, France 2018

DDESSIN Drawing Fair solo Show Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2018

SKIN(S), solo Show Loo & Lou Gallery Paris 2016 - 2017

Show Grow Gallery Downtown Los Angeles, Art District Los Angeles, États Unis 2016

RAW, Solo show Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2016

Shades of Winter Art Share, Los Angeles, USA 2016

Image: Arghaël

Flo Arnold

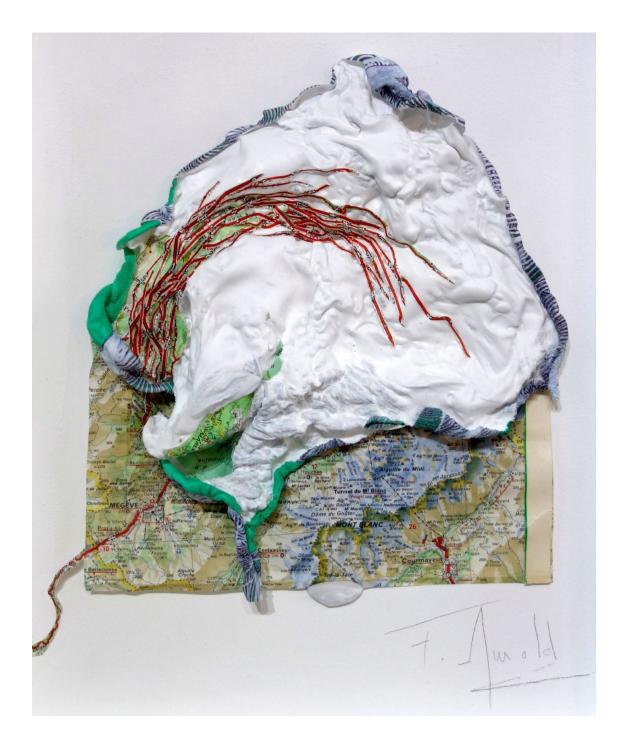


Territoire (2020) Cellulosic paper, cards, painting, drawing 50 x 50 cm 1 000 euros



Carretera 1 (2020) Celluosic fiber and mixed media 30 x 36 cm Unique piece 880 euros

Flo Arnold



Carretera 3 (2020) Celluosic fiber and mixed media 30 x 36 cm Unique piece 880 euros

Biography

Flo Arnold

Born in 1975 in Alsace (France), Flo Arnold grew up in Casablanca (Morocco). Graduated from the Académie des Arceaux (Montpellier, France), she continued her studies in the United States, where she became a member of The American Watercolor Society. She currently lives and works between Morocco and France.

The blending of cultures is a key element in her work. She has continued to explore this idea through many trips abroad, which include Africa, Europe, and the United States. Her artistic gestures are the result of her path, and her installations display this existential nomadism. Her creations are often backlit and sometimes supplemented with sound. She uses Japanese white paper to suggest ephemerality and fragility, a material that gives her sculptures a levitating effect.

Arnold's sculptures thus float, creating a space for contemplation, spirituality, and self-reflection. As a citizen of the world, she "feeds" her sculptures through her encounters.

In April 2018, she created at the Atelier of the Loo & Lou Gallery the in-situ installation Vertige du monde. This germination of organic flows in paper, backlit and sounded, came to devour the space like a luxuriant vegetation. The architecture of the place disappeared under an immaculate waterfall. The visual artist underlined that in order for everyone to forget the vertigo of the world around us must live in a sphere without borders, without limits in search of inner peace. This proposal is complemented and nourished by the exhibition Territoire Unique by the artist Christophe Miralles, presented in parallel in the exhibition space of the Loo & Lou Gallery Haut Marais.

Florence Arnold has had various individual and group exhibitions in France and abroad as well as exhibited her work in numerous art fairs. She participated twice (in 2014 and in 2016) in the Marrakech Biennale. In the latter's last edition, she exhibited for the first time one of her installations of water-repellent paper on sheathed brass. Following her participation in the art fair JustMad (Madrid, Spain) in 2019, she received the first prize of the Room Mate Collection. She also participated in Art Paris in 2019 with the Loo & Lou Gallery and in 2020 with the Bogéna Gallery (Saint-Paul-de-Vence, France).

Her work can be found in many private and public collections internationally, including the Mamda Foundation in Rabat, the Saadi Palace's fonds in Marrakech, the BMCE Bank in Morocco, the San Francisco Food Bank, the Royal Palace of Morocco and the Palmeraie Museum in Marrakech



Selected Exhibitions (excerpts)

JustMAD (Fair) Loo & Lou Gallery Madrid, Spain 2020

ArtParis (Fair) Loo & Lou Gallery Grand Palais Paris, France 2020

JustMAD (Fair) Loo & Lou Gallery Madrid, Spain 2019

Le Secret des signes

Nuit Blanche Loo & Lou Foundation Paris, France 2018

Vertige du monde Loo & Lou Atelier Paris, France 2018

Mac Paris Bastille Design Center Paris, France 2017

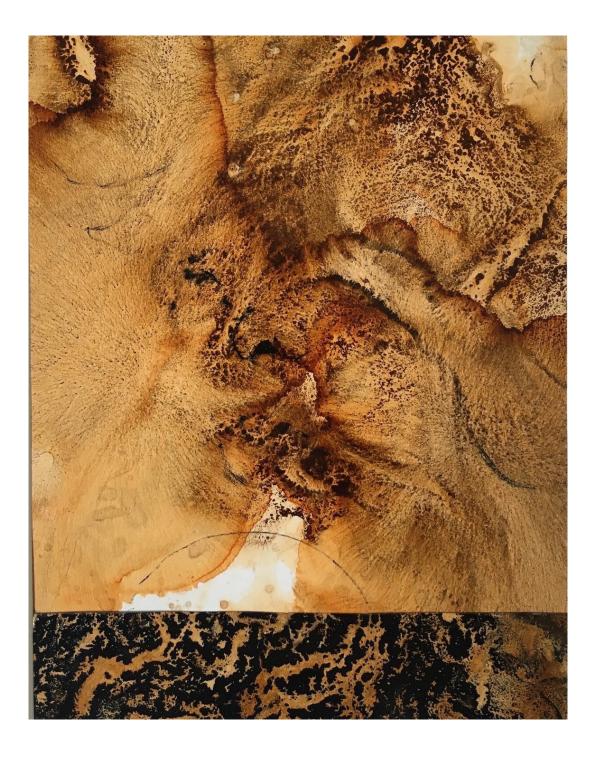
Never Give Up Bernard Magrez Institute Bordeaux, France 2017

Effleurage Espace Souffle Casablanca, Morocco 2017

Biennale de Marrakesh Palmeraie Museum Marrakesh, Morocco 2016



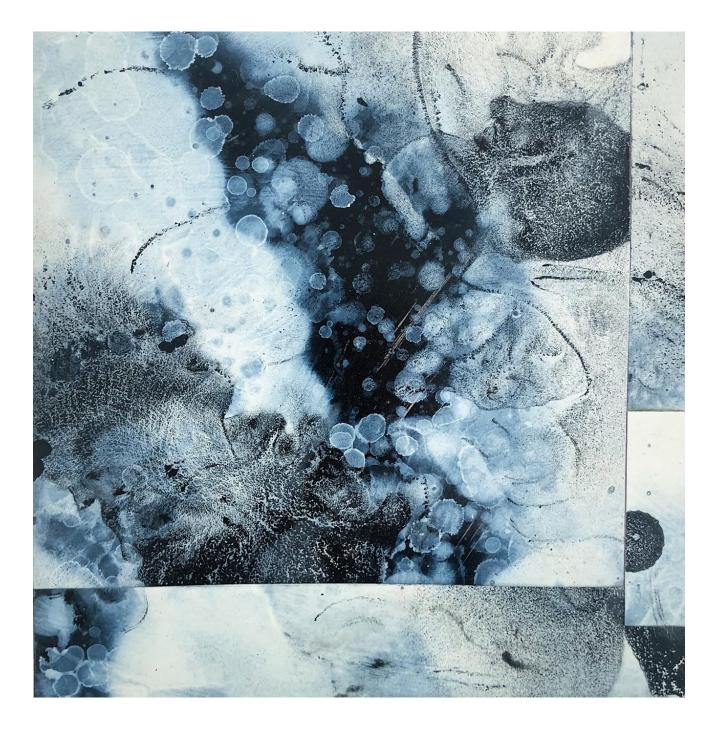
Sans Titre (2019) Pigments and collage on glossy paper 30 x 24 cm 600 euros



Sans Titre (2020) Pigments and collage on glossy paper 30 x 24 cm 600 euros



Sans Titre (2019) Pigments and collage on glossy paper 24 x 30 cm 600 euros



Sans Titre (2020) Pigments and collage on glossy paper 30 x 30 cm 600 euros

Biographie

Dan Barichasse

Dan Barichasse was born in Casablanca, Morocco, in 1949. He lives and works in Paris. He began his pictorial journey in 1976. Dan Barichasse's work evolved from minimal and formal shapes to the contemporary approach of the landscape taking shapes in patterns. Gradually, memory, time, creation, begetting came in circle as themes engraving his work with permanency and mutation. Series such as "Au commencement", "Passage", "Figures aux sources", "Déluges" are giving the image of this time lapse, in which a poetic pictorial language emerged. Still today, invocation of mineral, vegetal, animal and human figures shows from this vocabulary.

The mutation process of matter is questioned in Dan Barichasse's work, from reshape to rotting, matter comes to dust, to the essential origins of the shapes, refined in spirituality (as in "Poussières d'ombres", "Peintures pauvres", "Buisson ardent"). An extreme fluidity symbolizes his work, ephemeral, shadows, dust and fire come to terms with endless and strong urging of shapes, as in the series "Éternel éphémère", "Âmes errantes" and "Tondos".

DanBarichasse's work have been acquired by the Fond National d'Art Contemporain and the Paris' city hall collections. He participated in about thirty solo-shows and several collective exhibitions in France and abroad (Belgium, Spain, Israel, Quebec...).



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Corps vague noir 07 (2019) Ink 29,5 x 40,5 cm 900 euros



Corps vague noir 09(2019) Ink 29,5 x 40,5 cm 900 euros



Sans Titre (2020) Pigments et collage sur papier glacé 30 x 24 cm 600 euros



Corps vague noir 10 (2019) Ink 29,5 x 40,5 cm 900 euros



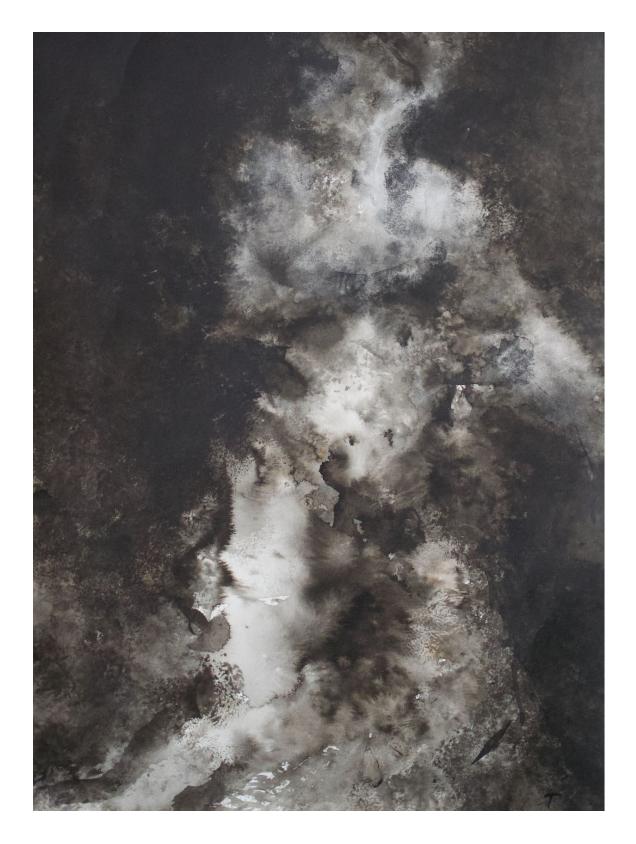
Corps vague noir 12 (2019) Ink 29,5 x 40,5 cm 900 euros

Tana Chaney

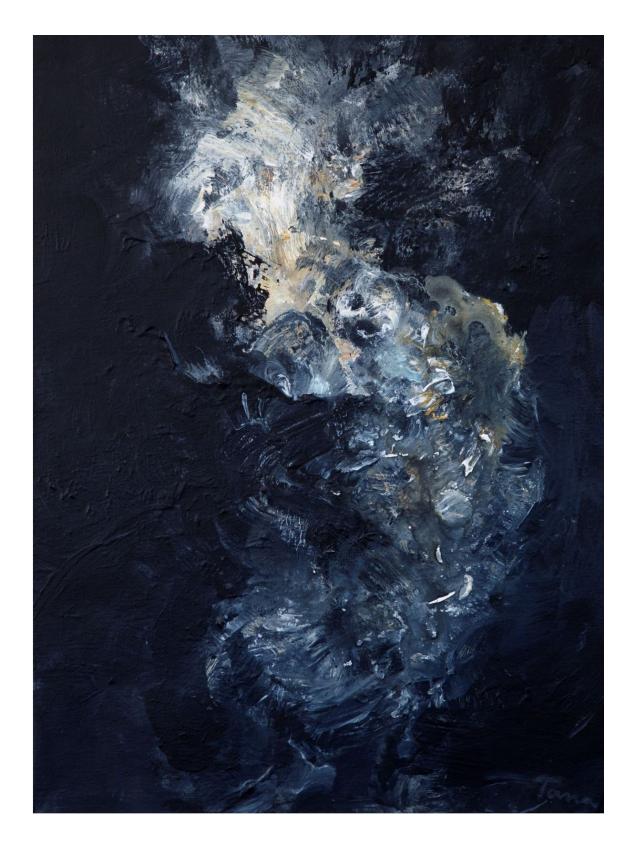


Corps vague noir 16 (2019) Ink 29,5 x 40,5 cm 900 euros

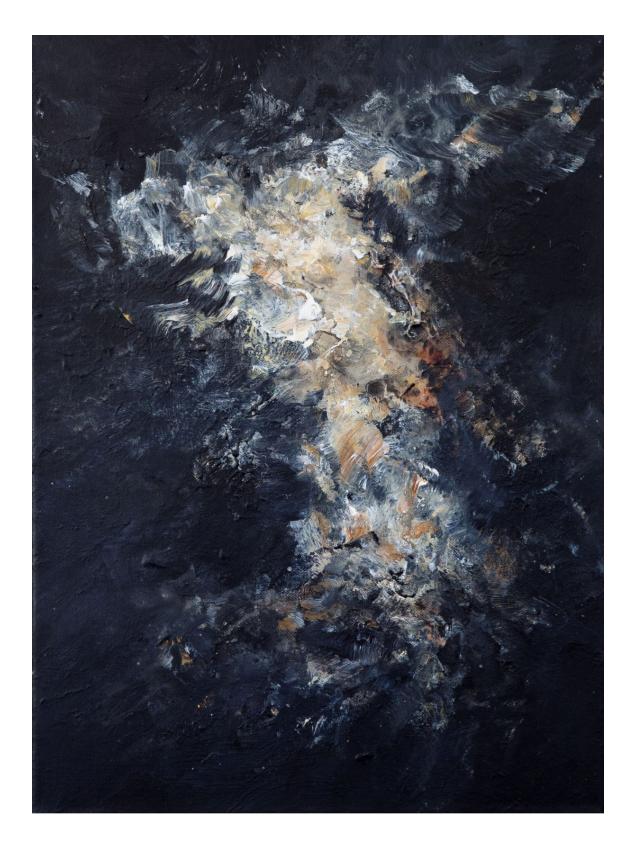
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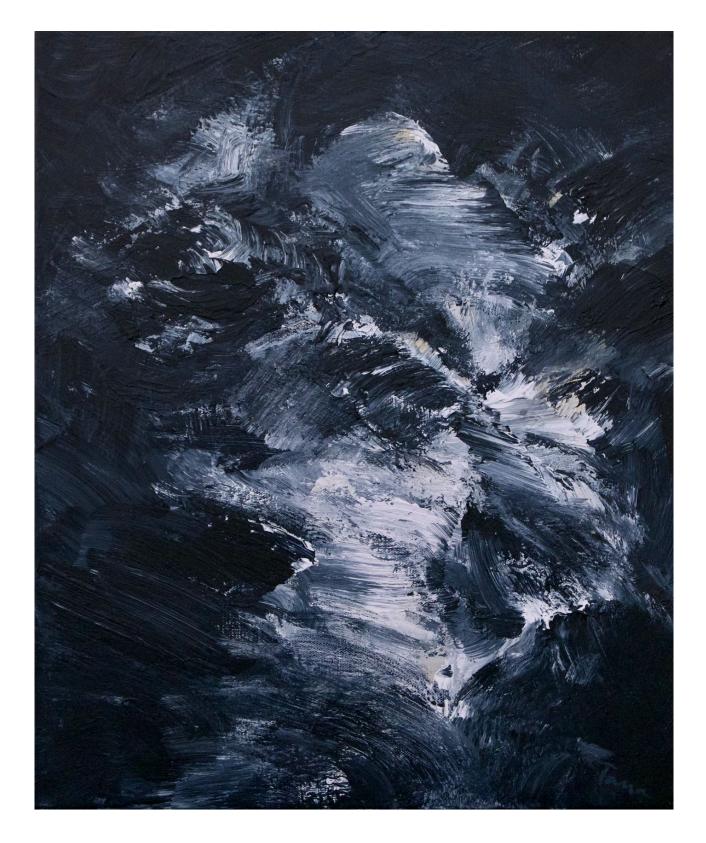
Corps vague noir 26 (2019) Ink 29,5 x 40,5 cm 900 euros



Eclat de nuit 12 (2020) Acrylic on canvas 33 x 46 cm 800 euros



Eclat de nuit 13 (2020) Acrylic on canvas 33 x 46 cm 800 euros

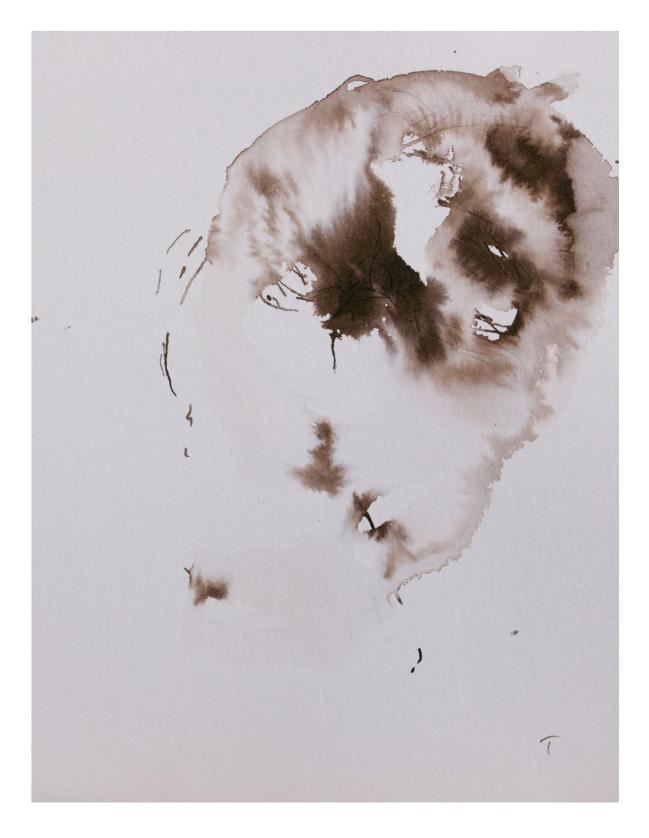


Vague 28 (2019) Acrylic on canvas 38 x 46 cm 800 euros

Tana Chaney



Corps Vague 01 (2019) Ink 24 x 32 cm 900 euros



Corps Vague 02 (2019) Ink 24 x 32 cm 900 euros

Tana Chaney



Corps Vague 03 (2019) Ink 24 x 32 cm 900 euros



Corps Vague 04 (2019) Ink 24 x 32 cm 900 euros

Tana Chaney



Corps Vague 07 (2019) Ink 24 x 32 cm 900 euros

Tana Chaney



Corps Vague 13 (2019) Ink 24 x 32 cm 900 euros

Biography

Tana Chaney

Tana Chaney was born in Sofia, Bulgaria in 1978. She has been living and working in Paris, France since 1997.

She became interested in art through books that she discovered during her childhood. While studying in a high school of applied arts in Sofia, her desire to create art was awoken when she began creating oil paintings, watercolors, and drawings. When she arrived in Paris at the age of nineteen, she was accepted to the École Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-arts (ENSBA), where she studied with Vladimir Velickovic and Dominique Gauthier. She graduated in 2003.

In her work, Chaney explores the body, the space within it, and its interactions with the outside world. She does so by referencing nature and its metamorphoses, movements, momentum, and contradictions that go beyond a scale of time.

The gallery Myriam Bouagal exhibited her first solo show, *Corps*, in January 2014, as well as her second show in June 2015, *Ma place mon corps*, which included inks and paintings. In September 2017, she presented her work in the Arrivage Gallery in Troyes. She published a collection of inks and texts for the occasion. In May 2019, she presented a selection of her inks and paintings with Loo & Lou Gallery during the JustLX art fair in Lisbon, Portugal at the Museu da Carris. From January to March 2020, the Loo & Lou Atelier hosted an exhibition of her paintings entitled *Éclats de nuit*.



Selected Exhibitions (excerpts)

Éclats de nuit Loo & Lou Atelier Paris, France 2020

JustLX (Fair) Loo & Lou Gallery Museu da Carris Lisbon, Portugal 2019

Corps Trait Galerie L'Arrivage Troyes, France 2017

Ma place mon corps Galerie Myriam Bouagal Paris, France 2015

Corps Galerie Myriam Bouagal Paris, France 2014



Blister (2018) Silicon, plexi, metal 18 x 11 x 3 cm 990 euros

Elisabeth Daynès



Breast pépinières roses (2020) 16 mushrooms (two works displayed) Marble plaster, metal, slate 31 x 20 x 16 cm 1 540 euros each

Elisabeth Daynès



Breast pépinière marron (2020) 7 mushrooms Marble plaster, metal, slate 20 x 10 x 16 cm Unique piece 990 euros



Breast pépinière rose (2020) 7 mushrooms Marble plaster, metal, slate 20 x 10 x 16 cm Unique piece 990 euros



Léa (2016) Jesmonite, burnt wood base 12 x 26 x 10 cm 990 euros



Oreilles (Trois) (2017) Marble plaster 23,5 x 10,5 x 1 cm 330 euros



Oreilles (Quatre) (2017) Marble plaster 31,5 x 10,5 x 1 cm 440 euros

Biography

Elisabeth Daynès

Elisabeth Daynès was born in Beziers, France in 1960 and currently lives and works in Paris.

In the early stages of her career in theater, she was fascinated by questions of identity and metamorphosis. In the 1990s, this passion led her to painstakingly recreate the bodies of prehistoric hominids based on advanced scientific knowledge. Soon after, she became a world-renowned paleo artist, notably with her reconstructions of fossil hominids for the Museum of Tautavel or her recreation of the Australopithecus Lucy in 1999 for the Field Museum in Chicago. In 2010, she was awarded the John J. Lanzendorf PaleoArt Prize. In 2011, the IIe-de-France Museum of Prehistory devoted a solo exhibition to her work while a number of her sculptures of hominids were inaugurated in South Korea.

After creating work based on the origins of humanity, Daynès now invites the public to reflect on the trials of appearance and the human face, both today and in the future. As she plays with and recomposes the human skull, by varying its size, material, and treatment, she shows us all the faces that we might have had and that we will have one day, if we so choose.

She wishes to show that in a time of social networking and ubiquitous images, we are free to invent endless narcissistic mirrors wherein boundaries blur between real and virtual, natural and artificial. Physical appearence and the perpetual search for perfection today has become an obsession. Changing your nose or lips for a professional meeting or for dinner with friends is not as surreal of a thought at a time when technology has taken the relay of biological evolution.

Her work demonstrates that in the future as well as in the past, we are not the apex of evolution, nor are we the only possible humanity. We have always been diverse, and we will only become increasingly more so. Her art constantly plays with science as it feeds much of our imagination, with the two taking the viewer on a voyage through time.



Selected Exhibitions (excerpts) Find yourself Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2020

Find yourself 863M Gallery San Francisco, United-States 2020

Galerie du jour Agnès b. Paris, France 2019

ArtUp (Fair) Lille, France 2019

Camera Camera

Hôtel Windsor Nice, France 2018

Bouche B. Rotonde Mairie Xème Paris, France 2016

Carte blanche

Château Vargoz Serignan, France 2016

La Vérité des Visages Atelier Daynès Paris, France 2015

Paul de Pignol







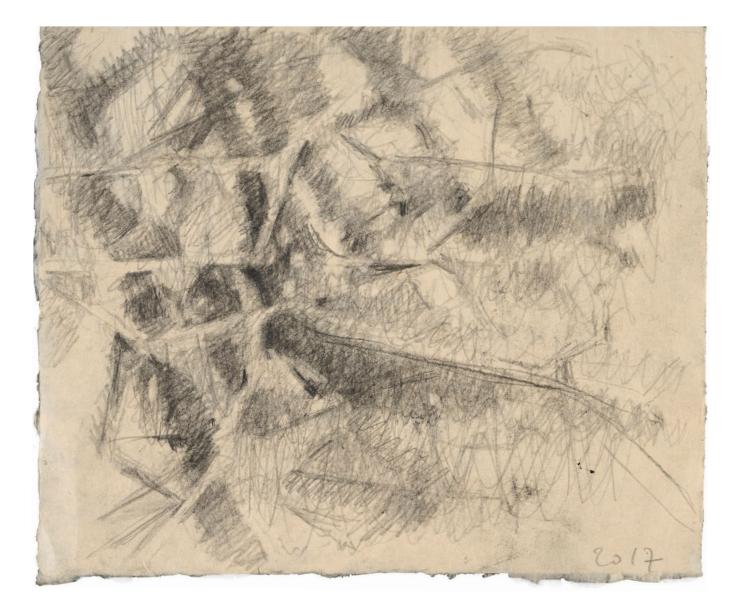




Figure noire I (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros



Figure noire II (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros



Figure noire III (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros



Figure noire IV (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros

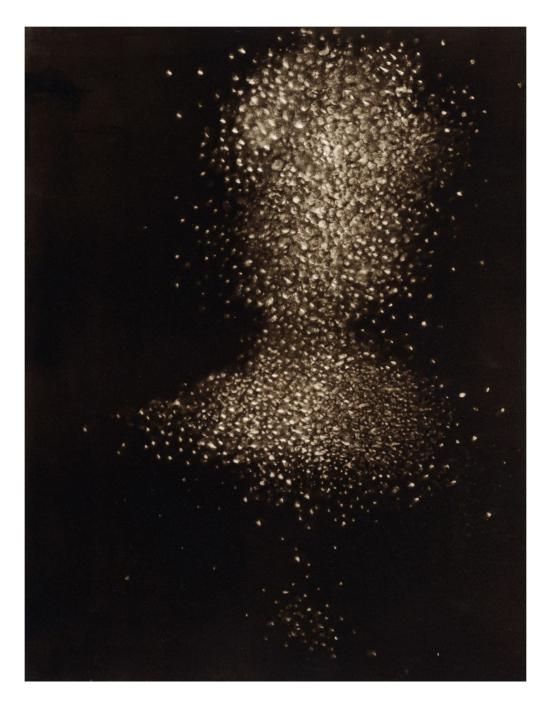


Figure noire V (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros



Figure noire VI (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros



Figure noire VII (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros



Figure noire VIII (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros



Figure noire IX (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros



Figure noire X (2013) Monotype 26,5 x 20,5 cm 880 euros

Biography

Paul de Pignol

Paul de Pignol was born in Toulouse in 1965. He currently lives and works in Paris.

In 1984, he entered the National School of Fine Arts in Paris, where he worked in Pierre Carron's painting studio. He created his first sculpture *Fille au Ballon* in 1989, which was inspired by *Venus* by Lucas Cranach the Elder. Little by little, sculpting became integrated into his practice.

In 2010, de Pignol decided to dedicate a workshop in Paris to drawing, establishing a link between the two disciplines. Whether sculpting or drawing, de Pignol plunges into an intimate essence of the being. His work focuses on the female figure, and links it to universal themes of birth, life, and death. He explores its function, weight, and composition, as well as its presence and deconstruction, both inside and out.

De Pignol's paintings are an extension of his work and research as a sculptor. He makes similar gestures, wherein he erases matter in order to add light, stroke by stroke, giving his unravelling bodies a spectral presence.

Since 2017, after years of failures, rejection, and wandering, de Pignol found pictorial language relative to his research. His most recent exhibition with Loo & Lou Gallery, *Né du Limon*, is the result of this quest. With a fascination for landscapes, de Pignol is inspired by the location of his studio, in the Fontainebleau forest. The idea that life can be born from decay fascinates and inspires him to create organic and livin landscapes, where you can feel the turf and soil. This exhibition united for the very first time his drawings, sculptures, and paintings, in what represented for the artist a joyous and fertile renewal, by virtue of his subjects and use of multiple medias.



Selected exhibitions (excerpts)

Art Paris (Fair) Loo & Lou Gallery Grand Palais Paris, France 2020

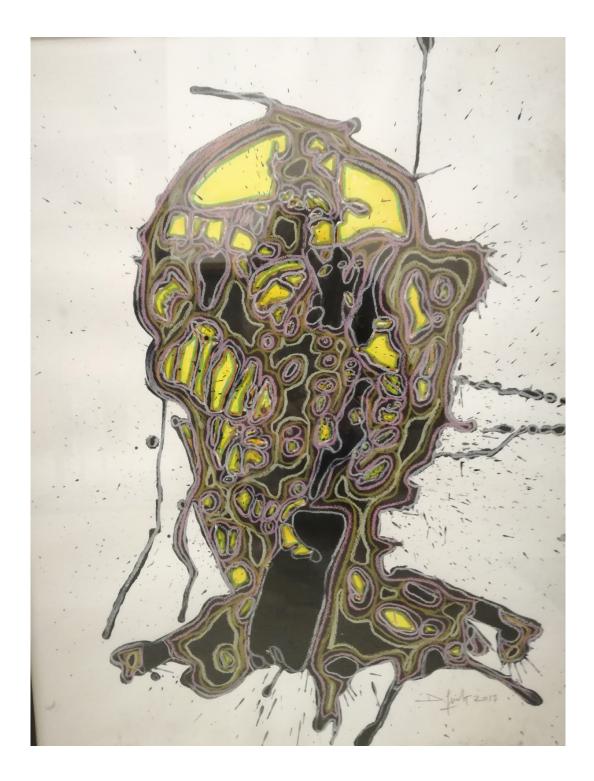
Né du Limon Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2019

JustMad (Fair) Loo & Lou Gallery Madrid, Spain 2019

Incarnations dessins et sculptures Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2017

Incarnations dessins et sculptures Galerie Fred Lanzenberg Brussels, Belgium 2016

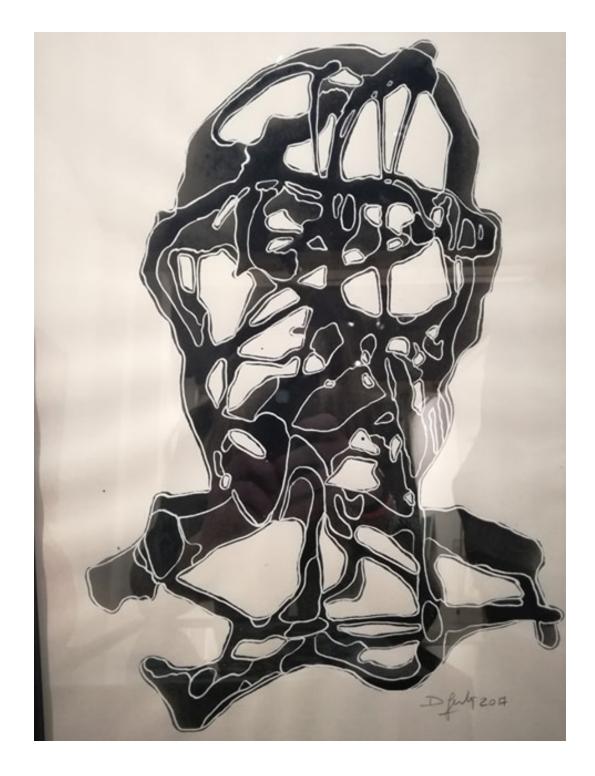
Être(s) au monde Group exhibition Rémanence Loft 19 Galerie Suzanne Tarasiève Paris, France 2016



Sans titre (2017) Acrylic, wax and felt 65 x 50 cm 1000 euros



Sans titre (2017) Acrylic and ink 30 x 40 cm 700 euros



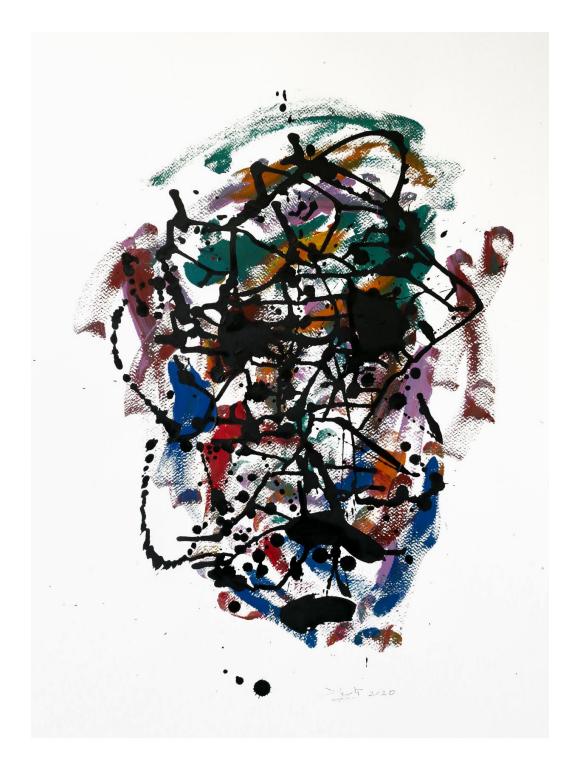
Sans titre (2017) Acrylic and ink 30 x 40 cm 700 euros



Tête (2018) Acrylic 24 x 32 cm 440 euros



Tête A (2018) Acrylic 24 x 32 cm 440 euros



Tête (2020) Acrylic 56 x 76 cm 990 euros

Biography

Didier Genty

Born in 1956, Didier Genty lives and works in the Paris region. He trained at the Beaux-Arts de Bordeaux.

"I like muscles, blood circulation, the underside of the skin... Identity is DNA, invisible, interior. My portraits are more related to the deep being of an individual, beyond appearances. In the face, I prefer his imprint. I thus avoid the complacency inherent to the practice of self-portraiture. My painting like this Folfiri, my chemotherapy, flows in the features of these bodies in jolts, slumped. From within things, flesh and moods swarm all over the surface and in thickness, the scratches of color, the waxy, brutal and uncompromising features. A big tiredness, a bad taste in the mouth, the body is undoubtedly diminished but the painting remains very alive, a question of survival".

- Didier Genty.



Selected Exhibitions (excerpts)

La folle qui rit Loo & Lou Gallery 2018

Comme Un Aera (book's publication) Paris, France 2017

Salon Figuration Critique Paris, France 2016

Minimenta Paris, France 2016

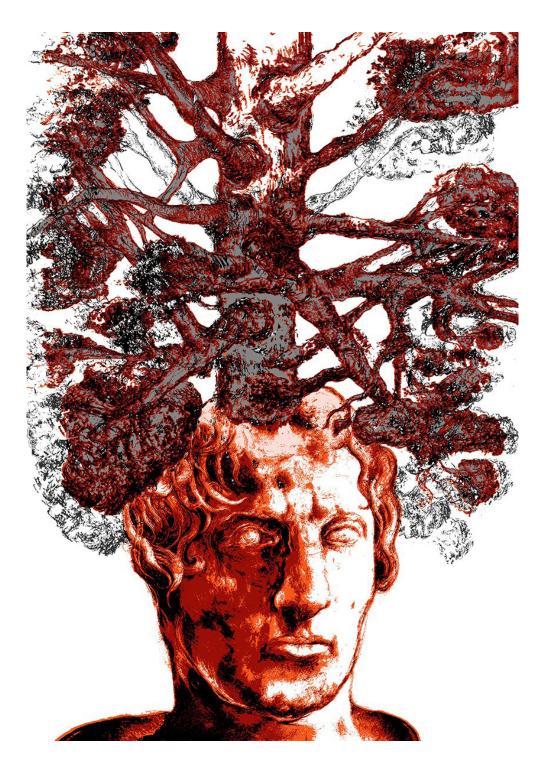
À corps perdus la femme à Barbe Galerie Point Rouge Paris, France 2015

Carmen épouvantée, Viry-Châtillon, France 2010

Le modèle Biennale d'Issy-les-Moulineaux, France. 2009

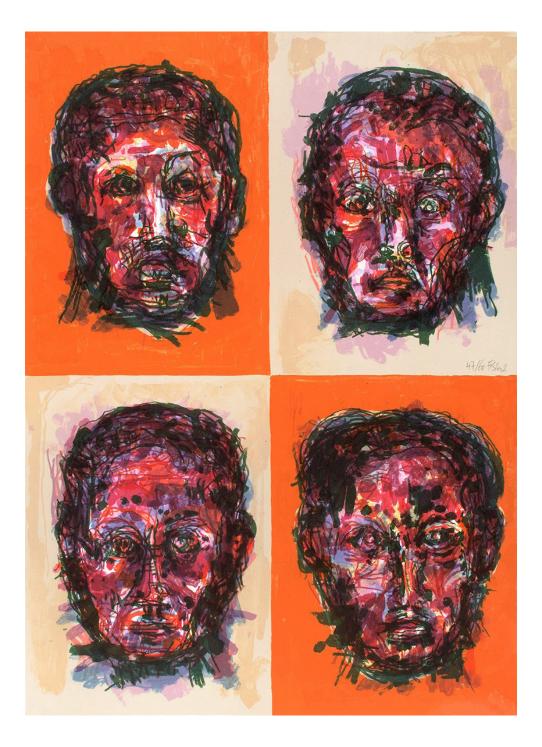
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Fred Kleinberg



Reborn (2016) Serigraphy on arch paper 50 x 70 cm Limited edition of 100 450 euros

Fred Kleinberg



Face (2002) Lithography on arch paper 50 x 70 cm Limited edition of 60 450 euros

Biography

Fred Kleinberg

Fred Kleinberg was born in 1966 in Paris.

He is graduated from the Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Arts in Paris, and in parallel he produced with several artist collectives some urban art in the public space by mixing painting with performance. He has been exhibiting his work as a painter since 1983 internationally: in Europe, in United States and in Asia. His work is shown in private collections, galleries and public institutions. Globe-trotting artist, he has been selected for numerous artist residencies: the Villa Medici in Rome in 1996 in collaboration with the novelist Kits Hilaire. the Museum of Contemporary Art in Moscow in 2001, the Art Residency of Pondichéry in 2004 in India, in China in 2010 in collaboration with the Hong Merchant Gallery of Shanghai, and in India in 2018 at the University of Shantiniketan. He received several painting awards: the Salon de Montrouge prize in 1998, the Coprim foundation prize in 2000, the Taylor foundation prize in 2008, the Charles Oulmont foundation prize in 2008 and the 1st contemporary art prize of Monaco in 2014.

Fred Kleinberg sets his work as a successive thematic projects and naturally, intuitively, he is inspired by travels around the world to create his new series.

Each of its main exhibitions show these thematic series: "La mémoire au corps" at the Coprim foundation in Paris in 1999 ; "D'obscénité et de fureur" at the Passage de Retz in Paris in 2002 ; "Made in India" at the Koehnline Museum of Art in Chicago, USA in 2006 ; "Baroque Flesh" at the Polad-Hardouin Gallery in Paris in 2011 ; «Territoire d'héroïsme et de fureur», his first retrospective exhibition, at the Messine Gallery in Paris in 2012 ; "Reborn Project" at the Frank Pages Gallery in Geneva, Switzerland in 2015 ; "Odyssey" at the ART Elysées fair in Paris as guest of honor in 2017.

Fred Kleinberg lives and works in Paris.



Selected exhibitions (excerpts)

Germination Loo and Lou Gallery Paris, France 2019

Odyssée

ART Elyseée Paris, France 2017

Reborn Project II Galerie Messine

Paris, France 2017

Portrait

Galerie Nationale Dubai, United Arab Emirates 2017

Face to Face

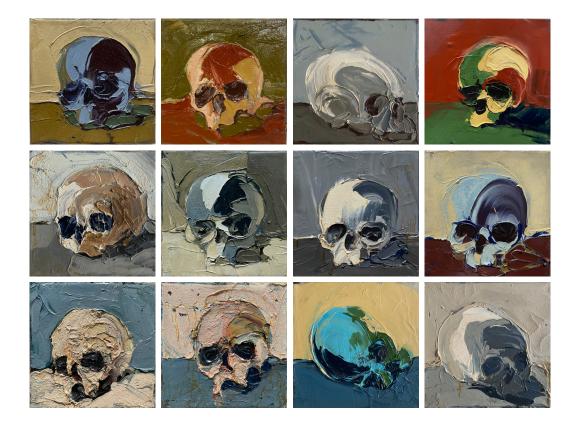
Galerie Nationale Dubai, United Arab Emirates 2016

Reborn génération

Musée Krajcberg Paris, France 2016

Reborn project I

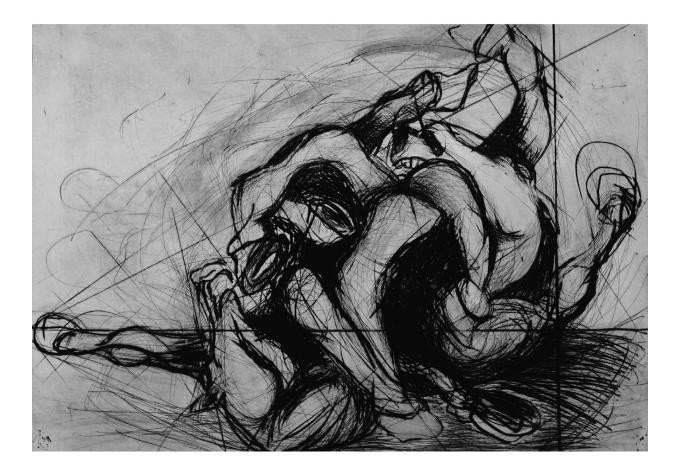
Galerie Frank Pages Geneva, Switzerland 2015



Série Vanité (2013-2017) Oil on canvas 30 x 30 cm 880 euros each



Vanité 16 (2013) Oil on canvas 30 x 30 cm 880 euros

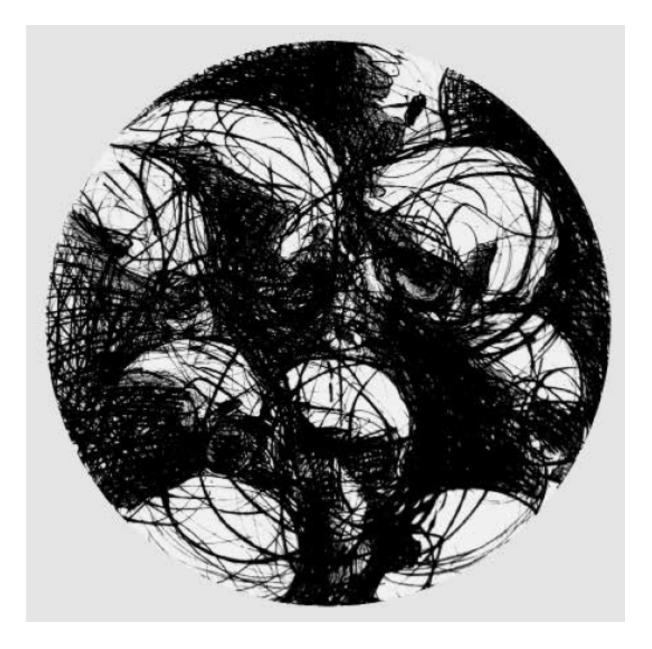


Justa 4 (2018) Drypoint etching 76 x 106 cm 880 euros

Cedric Le Corf



Mâchoires (2014) Drypoint etching 95 x 65 cm 900 euros



Ossuaire (2019) Drypoint etching Diameter 44 cm 880 euros



Le vexin II, hommage à Corot (2018) Drypoint etching 70 x 84 cm 660 euros



Le vexin III, hommage à Corot (2018) Drypoint etching 70 x 84 cm 700 euros



La mare au diable I (2017) Drypoint etching 50 x 40 cm 800 euros



La mare au diable II (2017) Drypoint etching 50 x 40 cm 800 euros

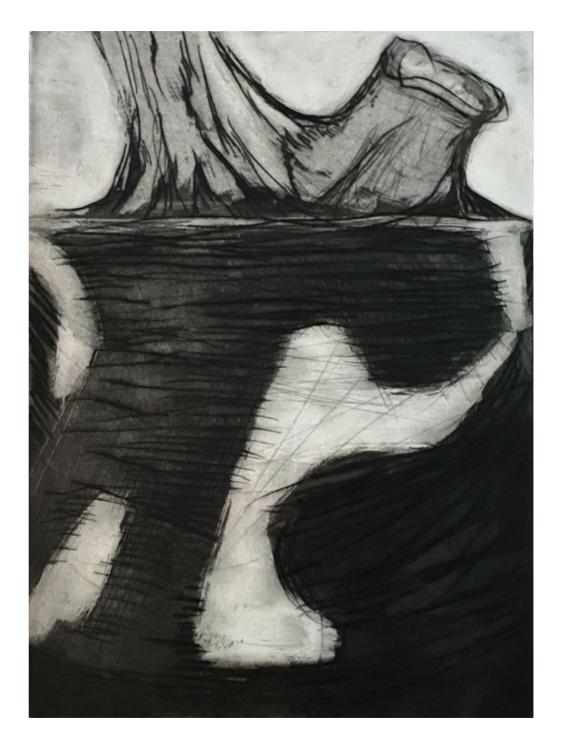


Kermouzouet 1 (2018) Drypoint etching 60 x 50 cm 660 euros

Cedric Le Corf



Kermouzouet 2 (2018) Drypoint etching 60 x 50 cm 660 euros



Kermouzouet 3 (2018) Drypoint etching 60 x 50 cm 660 euros



Kermouzouet 4 (2018) Drypoint etching 60 x 50 cm 660 euros



Kermouzouet 5 (2018) Drypoint etching 60 x 50 cm 660 euros

Biography

Cedric Le Corf

Cedric Le Corf was born in 1985 in Bühl (Germany). He graduated with honors from the École Européenne Supérieure d'Art de Bretagne in Lorient (France) in 2009. Today, he lives and works in Brittany.

The subject of his work lends itself to anatomical landscapes inspired by Jacques Fabien Gautier d'Agoty's boards, where little by little, a dismembered man is transformed into a landscape of a man. Humans, trees, and the earth all possess in common a kind "skin" and with it the ability to be flayed. Is it untrue to think that a dissected body is merely a wide range of landscapes, full of mishaps, folds, and crevices? The coarseness of bone is reminiscent to the rocky landscapes of Patinir; the venous, arterial, or nervous network irrigates like rivers, plains, and estuaries; the muscles, the clay of Genesis, model gorges and mounds.

Following this metaphor, he uses plant roots as a landscape element to interlock bones, vertebrae, or joints made of porcelain. The root, in its etymological sense, is one element implanted inside another, much like the root of a tooth, a hair, or the dorsal root of a spinal nerve. It therefore juxtaposes a raw element of chaos with the mastery of creation; from roughness to polish, from decomposition to the inalterable, from the durability of art to the ephemeral man. Imbued with the Rhineland and Armorican heritage, confronted with the pathos of Grünewald (Baldung Grien), the hanged men within "Des misères de la guerre" by Jacques Callot at "l'Ankou", along with the macabre dances of Kernascléden where the animate and the inanimate are mixed, to the horror of the mass graves of Sobibor, Le Corf tries, by attaching himself to these motifs, to deafen the subject that his work contains.



Selected Exhibitions (excerpts)

Péninsules Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2020

Art Paris (Fair) with Loo & Lou Gallery Grand Palais Paris, France 2020

Itinérance Académie de France Paris, France 2020

VIVA VILLA Group Exhibition Lampbert Collection Avignon, France 2019

Itinérance

ArtsLibris, ARCO (Fair) Casa de Velázquez stand, IFEMA, Madrid Casa de Velázquez, Exhibition and open artist studios Académie de France Madrid, Spain 2019

L'Âme du lieu Group Exhibition Château de Keroüartz Lannilis, France 2019 Image: Despatin & Gobell



Juge 1 (2020) Graphite and acrylic on paper 50 x 70 cm 800 euros



Juge 2 (2020) Graphite and acrylic on paper 50 x 70 cm 800 euros



Juge 3 (2020) Graphite and acrylic on paper 50 x 70 cm 800 euros



Juge 4 (2020) Graphite and acrylic on paper 50 x 70 cm 800 euros

Biography

Christophe Miralles

Born in 1970, Christophe Miralles is a Franco-Spanish artist who lives and works between Burgundy and Casablanca.

His work is nourished by various sources that go back to its origins: from his Moroccan roots, one can note some Mediterranean influences coming from two shores, which resonate and never collide with each other. Spanish painting from the Golden Age undoubtedly sealed his relationship with light and compositions: we can see in his work the influence of figures such as Velázquez, Zurbarán or El Greco.

Human figures suspended in the void haunt his canvases inviting worrying feelings and a certain nostalgia. These are depersonalized figures, devoid of identity, which remind us of Francis Bacon's characters. The combination of simplified forms and subtle nuances in colors allows him to give an intemporal aspect to his paintings, where the material is the main subject.

Miralles creates oil paintings on paper and canvas, and uses lacquers. He brought together a series for an exhibition at Loo & Lou Gallery entitled **Territoire Unique** in April 2018. His works spoke of humanity, travel, and tolerance. Colors burn through his canvases, engorging the space in flames wherein the ashes slowly fall on his large black papers. He is a painter anchored in contemporary society, a territory that he hopes is unique for all. This work was complemented and nourished by the exhibition **Vertige du monde** by the artist Flo Arnold, presented in collaboration at the Loo & Lou Gallery's Atelier.

He has received several artistic prizes, such as the Grand Prix Claire Combes of the Taylor Foundation in 2007, the Prix Azart in 2005 or the Prix Charles Oulmont in 2004, which he received with honors from the jury. His work has been the subject of numerous monographic exhibitions in France and abroad and his work is included in several collections. He has also participated in several fairs, including JustMad (Madrid, Spain) with the gallery Loo & Lou in 2019, the Marrakech Biennale (Marrakech, Morocco) or Art Up (Lille, France) in 2016.



Selected Exhibitions (excerpts)

Group exhibition Galerie Danielle Bourdette Honfleur, France 2020

Galerie Noir sur Blanc Marrakech, Morocco 2019

Le Prieuré de Pont Loup Moret-sur-Loing, France 2019

JustMAD (Fair) Loo & Lou Gallery Madrid, Spain 2019

Traversée de Soi Galerie Thema Casablanca, Morocco 2018

Galerie Danielle Bourdette Honfleur, France 2018

Territoire Unique Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2018

Contrée Galerie Crid'Art Metz, France 2018

Catherine Wilkening



Petite Croix I, 2021 Porcelaine émaillée / Enameled porcelain 18 x 14 cm 550 euros

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Petite Croix II, 2021 Porcelaine émaillée / Enameled porcelain 12 x 11 cm 550 euros

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Petite Croix III, 2021 Porcelaine émaillée / Enameled porcelain 13,5 x 10 cm 550 euros

Biography

Catherine Wilkening

"One day in 2002, during my career as an actress, the need to put my hands in matter imposed itself on me; the earth became vital to me at once. I launched into sculpture with a primal, animal instinct, guided by a deep and irreproachable impulse. My exploration is underground and organic, my work is physical, sensual, enjoyable. There is no conceptual plan, I let go of what is in my head and become one with living matter. I take a leap into the void.

My work has always been nourished by the feminine figure, with obsessive themes - birth, chaos, death, rebirth, impermanence, devotion, cannibalism subjects that I explored through porcelain sculptures in 2019 during Art Paris at the Grand Palais with Loo & Lou Gallery. Today, going through these long periods of confinement in an anxiety-provoking climate, I feel the need to connect to the luminous, the spiritual, the elevated, the transcendental... to work on repetition, the multiple, the swarming, the infinite, the infinitely monumental in the infinitely tiny, like mantras that soothe and numb cerebral agitation, like broad breaths - to build from chaos, from fragments of aborted or abandoned sculptures, and give them a new breath of life... These long months of gestation birthed immense, immaculate, porcelain Madonnas, adorned with gold, Murano glass, crowned with roses, thorns, roots."

- Catherine Wilkening



Selected Exhibitions (excerpts)

Terralha (Fair) St Quentin La Poterie Paris, France 2021

Les Chemins des Délices

Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2021

Naia Museum Rochefort-en-Terre, France 2020-2021

Ce qui se fit... Group Exhibition Galerie Grès Paris, France 2020

Année Ophélia Group Exhibition Galerie Axelle Gaussen La Rochelle, France 2019

Art Paris (Fair) Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2019

L'Impermanence Group Exhibition Loo & Lou Gallery Paris, France 2018

ABOUT THE GALLERY

LOO&LOU Gallery

Engagée aux côtés de jeunes talents et d'artistes reconnus, la galerie Loo & Lou inaugure ses deux espaces en juin 2015. L'un dans le Haut-Marais, rue Notre-Dame de Nazareth, l'autre près des Champs-Elysées, avenue George V. Ces espaces offrent à la galerie la liberté de confronter différents points de vue artistiques, de proposer des approches distinctes et parfois expérimentales d'une œuvre ainsi qu'initier des dialogues entre artistes. Ils lui donnent également une plus grande latitude pour développer une conversation entre publics, plasticiens et commissaires indépendants.

En 2017, la galerie se dote de L'Atelier, un nouvel espace jouxtant celui du Haut-Marais qui permet d'apporter une proposition complémentaire à l'exposition en cours, (performances, work in progress), offre la possibilité d'un deuxième temps d'exposition à des œuvres déjà présentées et constitue également le lieu d'exposition pour de jeunes artistes.

En 2018, elle ouvre un nouveau volet de sa programmation : les « Cartes Blanches » offertes à des curateurs indépendants ou institutions viennent souligner son inclination à s'ouvrir sur l'extérieur pour dialoguer, découvrir de nouvelles approches et de nouveaux artistes.

La galerie Loo & Lou déploie son activité à travers une direction artistique ouverte à toutes disciplines et nourrie d'inspirations diverses. Sa programmation trouve sa cohésion dans un choix d'artistes souvent portés par une réflexion sur l'exploration du vivant, corps et portraits, et inspirés également par le thème de la nature. Committed alongside acknowledged artists and those on the rise, Loo & Lou Gallery opened in June 2015 with two exhibition spaces: one in the Haut-Marais, rue Notre-Dame de Nazareth and one near the Champs-Elysées, Avenue Georges V in Paris, France. These spaces give Loo & Lou Gallery an opportunity to confront different visions and offer a variety of experimental approaches to art, allowing for flexibility and creating a dialogue between the audience, artists, and independent curators.

In 2017, the gallery opened a new space adjacent to the Haut-Marais space called "The Atelier." This gallery gives a second life to past exhibitions and artworks, complements the current exhibition, is a space for performances and "works in progress", and is also a space dedicated to young artists.

In 2018, a new addition was made to the program, the "Carte Blanche," which is offered to independent curators or institutions to present up-and-coming artists and their unique approaches.

Loo & Lou Gallery is engaged in an artistic direction that is open to every medium and is nourished by various aspirations. Its program finds cohesiveness in their roster of artists who are focused on the exploration of the living, the body, and portraits, and are also inspired by nature.

