

Pauline Marcelle

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Artist Statement

“My art consists primarily of paintings. My paintings explore human behaviour through the intensity of the expressiveness and figuration of my Caribbean origin. I create images that resonate with Black existence and celebrate Black bodies, yet the familiar imagery allows for a connection with people and nature in all cultures.

Colours are the backbone and foundation of all my artworks. In the classical tradition, I paint exclusively with oil on canvas, using a palette of primary colours (red, yellow, blue) combined with black and white. Many layers of thinly applied oil paint allow my figures to emerge on the canvas. Themes of consumption, sustainability and resilience; the impact of social, political and mental environments; as well as architecture and landscape are depicted through my specific visual vocabulary, which creates an experiential universe with new definitions of space and time.

Each painting describes a displaced, almost nomadic space. Each painting is an island which radiates the dream of freedom from an historically or socially fixed identity. My sculptures, videos and installations complement my painterly oeuvre and explore similar themes using different media. Through my artworks, I strive to bridge the gap between the Self and the Other in human interaction, starting with my distinctive Dominican heritage and extending to embrace the world. “

Artist Biography

Pauline Marcelle, born in Dominica, West Indies, lives and works in Vienna, Austria. Her creative output spans painting, sculpture, video and installation.

Pauline Marcelle was educated at the University of Applied Arts Vienna and earned a Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in Visual and Fine Arts (2000).

She has been featured in publications including *DATUM*, *Vogue Brazil*, *Elle South Africa*, *GQ Russia*, *Buro24/7 Russia*, *L'Officiel Austria* and *Golfrevue Austria*. She received the Kapsch Contemporary Art Prize, which she used in 2010 for the Bag Factory Studio Residency in Johannesburg, South Africa. Marcelle's paintings and sculptures have been included in shows, amongst others, at the Prizm Art Fair (Miami Art Week 2021 & 2022), Cosmocoscow International Fair (Moscow, Russia 2021), UNTITLED Art Fair (Miami Art Week 2020), Albertina Museum (Vienna, Austria 2019), Textile Museum of Canada (Toronto 2015), PAMM Museum (Miami, USA 2014), World Bank (Washington, D.C. USA 2012), Art Museum of the Americas (Washington, D.C. USA 2011), and Arts on Main (Johannesburg, SA 2010).

Pauline Marcelle's work can be found in numerous public and private collections.



Artist Resumé – Pauline Marcelle

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EDUCATION: 1994 - 2000 MFA University for Applied Arts, Vienna, Austria

EXHIBITIONS SOLO (SELECTED)

- 2022 BEND DOWN BOUTIQUE:DISPLACED Ujamaa Arts and ARTSY/USA
2018 BAUSSTELLUNG: Palais Mommsen Vienna/Austria
2017 STRUCTURA UNHOMELY: Space @ Christian Leis Vienna/Austria
WENN ICH MICH EINSAME FÜHLE: Serviten Monastery Vienna/Austria
2015 BEND DOWN BOUTIQUE: NON-SPACES: Imersten Gallery Vienna/Austria
2010 BEND DOWN BOUTIQUE: THE JOBURG WORKS: Arts on Main Johannesburg/South Africa
2009 BEND DOWN BOUTIQUE: Habres & Partner Gallery Vienna/Austria
2005 THE DIARIES: Layr:Wuestenhagen Contemporary Vienna/Austria
I WOULD REMEMBER: Space@ Gartenpalais Liechtenstein Vienna/Austria
2004 DOUBLE SIX MAKNITE: Museum for Applied Arts MAK Vienna/Austria
2003 WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH ME?: Layr:Wuestenhagen Contemporary Vienna/Austria
BLACK LISA: BLACK LISA: McKinsey & Company Inc. Vienna/Austria
2001 FUCNTIONE COMMUNALE: Soho in Ottakring Vienna/Austria
DOUBLE SIX: Schikaneder Vienna/Austria (performance)
REALLY: Kunsthalle Steyr/Austria
2000 PROJECTION BROOKLYN: Soho in Ottakring Vienna/Austria
THORNS AND TULIPS: Space@ McKinsey & Company Inc. Vienna/Austria
PARADOX: University for Applied Arts Vienna/Austria

GROUP (SELECTED)

- 2023 PRIVATE PUNK IV: Grubeck Contemporary, Vienna/Austria
PARALLEL editions: Commonsense Gallery, Vienna/Austria
DAUGHTERS: Kleine Gallery, Vienna/Austria
DELTA CULTURA ART AUCTION: Dorotheum, Vienna/Austria
FEMALE* ART AUCTION: Artcare FLOMYCA, Vienna/Austria
2022 PRIZM ART FAIR: Ujamaa Arts, Miami Art Week/USA
INTUITIVE AMERICANOS: Commonsense Gallery and La Pamplona Art Space Paris/France
BLACK AND WHITE: Art Seasons Naglergasse, Vienna/Austria
2021 PRIZM ART FAIR: Ujamaa Arts, Miami Art Week/USA
COSMOSCOW: WHO I AM Gallery Moscow International Fair / Russian Federation
TRAVERSIONS OF TIME AND SPACE: Ujamaa Arts and ARTSY/USA
CHRONICLES: Wolkersdorf Castle/Austria
2020 UNTITLED, ART OVR: WHO I AM Gallery Miami Art Week/USA
2019 INSIDE OUT - OUTSIDE ME: DAL Foundation Vienna/Austria
ART AUCTION ART FOR CHILDREN: Albertina Museum Vienna/Austria
2018 ART AUCTION ART FOR CHILDREN: Lisa Kandhofer Gallery Vienna/Austria
2017 ART OLYMPIA: Toshima Ku Tokyo/Japan
2016 OFF DAKAR BIENNALE: Austrian Pavilion Dakar/Senegal
ANDERSWO UND HIER: Landesgalerie Eisenstadt Eisenstadt/Austria
ARTISTS WITHOUT BORDERS: Wolkersdorf Castle Wolkersdorf/Austria
ARTISTS WITHOUT BORDERS: Austrian Cultural Forum Istanbul/Turkey



- 2015 WATERCOLOURS: Textile Museum of Canada Toronto/Canada
- 2014 AGNES EATS: Caribbean Crossroads of the World PAMM Museum Miami/USA
- 2013 KONTEXTILLUSIONEN: Friedensreich Hundertwasser Museum NÖART Roiten/Austria
KONTEXTILLUSIONEN: Schloss Reichenau NÖART Reichenau/Austria
- 2012 ABOUT CHANGE/PHOTOS AND MORE: World Bank Washington DC/USA
KONTEXTILLUSIONEN: Bürgerspitalkirche Weitra NÖART Weitra/Austria
KONTEXTILLUSIONEN: Kunsthaus Baden NÖART Baden/Austria
- 2011 WRESTLING WITH THE IMAGE: Art Museum of the Americas Washington DC/USA
ABOUT CHANGE/EL CAMBIO: World Bank Washington DC/USA
- 2010 LOSING VIRGINITY: The Bag Factory Johannesburg/South Africa
CHANGING VIEWS: Künstlerhaus, Vienna/Austria
- 2008 DOMINICA CONTEMPORARY: The Old Mill Roseau/Dominica
- 2007 FLOATING PICNIC: Dumbo Art Centre DAC New York/USA
PARADOGS/KEN EATS/THE SNAKE STEPS: Museum of New Art MONA Detroit/USA
NOIR: Gallery M New York/USA
- 2006 ART BASEL MIAMI: Tod Roulette Fine Art @ Parisian Hotel Miami/USA
ART BRUSSELS: Layr:Wuestenhagen Contemporary Brussels/Belgium
HOME PREMIERE: Nederlands Fotomuseum Rotterdam/Holland
- 2005 CONTEMPORARY MINIATURES VISUAL DRUGS: Zeichengalerie Grenacher Zurich/Switzerland
EN MINIATURE: Platform Gallery-Raum für Kunst Vienna/Austria

ART FAIRS

- 2023 PARALLEL editions: Commonsense Gallery, Vienna/Austria
- 2022 PRIZM ART FAIR: Ujamaa Arts, Miami Art Week / USA
- 2021 PRIZM ART FAIR: Ujamaa Arts, Miami Art Week / USA
- 2021 COSMOSCOW: WHO I AM Gallery International Fair, Moscow / Russian Federation
- 2020 UNTITLED ART FAIR OVR: Who I AM Gallery Miami Art Week, Miami/USA
- 2006 ART BRUSSELS: Layr:Wuestenhagen Contemporary, Brussels/Belgium
- 2005 ALL YOU NEED IS ART: Layr:Wuestenhagen Contemporary, Vienna/Austria
- 2003 KUNSTWIEN: Layr:Wuestenhagen Contemporary, Vienna/Austria
- 2000 KUNSTWIEN: Hohenlohe Gallery, Vienna/Austria

Videography and Animation

- 2022 COGNITION 1:00 min
LOOSE YOUR SELF 1:00min
IT'S GETTING HOT 1:12mins
- 2016 BEND DOWN BOUTIQUE 11:15mins
- 2006 KEN EATS 7:30mins
- 2005 ROAD TO SOMEWHERE 10 mins
- 2003 FLIES, animation
AGNES EATS, 7:30mins
- 2002 ALISSA EATS, animation
RE-FUSED, Double Six vs. ParadoGS, animation
- 2001 DOUBLE SIX. 3:00mins
- 2000 PARADOGS 10mins
BURN Flipbook animation 3mins
SNAKE STEPS Paint & animation. 3mins



COLLECTIONS AND AWARDS

WORLD BANK ART Collection Washington DC USA

MONA Museum of New Art Detroit USA

The Essl Collection of Contemporary Art Austria

Ministry of Culture, City of Vienna/Austria

Sacher Austria

McKinsey Austria

Kapsch AG Austria

Christopher J. Hawes Collection USA

Susan G. Komen Collection USA

2020 Kunst am Bau Raiffeisen Bank Art Award

2017 Art Olympia Award Tokyo Japan

2010 Bag Factory Residency Johannesburg South Africa

2010 Kapsch Art Award

2003 Kapsch Art Award

2003 Limits of perception: World Gold Medal New York Film USA

2002 Limits of Perception 2002 Gold Camera Award, USA

2000 City of Vienna Award, Ministry of Culture Vienna/Austria

1998 GROHE Art & Design Award

