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Oceanaia: Bloom of Synthesis

Aquatic ecosystem simulation Video Game <a href="https://www.instagram.com/ocean.aia">https://www.instagram.com/ocean.aia</a>

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Christelle Mas (b. 1984 in Paris, France) is a French photographer and mixed media artist living in Finland, exploring the human connection to technology and other species. Her work focuses on themes of species co-existence and human interaction with technology in utopian future scenario and alternative fictions. Her creative process involves a synthesis of scientific and artistic methodologies, using soft materials, installations, video, and photography. Her latest project, the video game *Oceanaia: Bloom of Synthesis*, developed with game designer Olli Uikkanen, incorporates her artworks in a Aquatic ecosystem simulation with scientific data.

Christelle Mas has a Master of Arts degree and a Bachelor's degree in the philosophy of art from the University of Sorbonne in Paris. She has displayed her work in numerous solo and group exhibitions both in Finland and internationally (Switzerland, Belgium, Austria, Sweden, France, Germany, Estonia, Lithuania). Works by Christelle Mas are included in the collections of the Oulu Art Museum and Kemi Art Museum, as well as in private collections. Mas is a member of the Bioart Society and the Association of Photographic Artists in Finland. She is working on upcoming solo shows for Oodi Central Library, Supermarket Art Fair in Stockholm, Oulu Art Museum, and Gallery Reflektor in Serbia. Mas represented the Oulu Artists Association at the Supermarket Art Fair 2023 in Stockholm. Her artworks was in Mänttä Art Festival in 2015. She was selected as the Visual Artist of the Year 2024 by the Northern Photographic Centre for the Oulunsalo Soi Festival. Her work was exhibited in autumn 2024 at the Triennial of Art and Science at Klaipeda Culture Communication Center in Lithuania.

# ART EDUCATION

2005 – 2008: Masters Degree in Plastic Arts (with highest possible grades), Sorbonne Paris

2002 – 2005: Degree in Aesthetics and Philosophy of Arts, Sorbonne Paris

# **UPCOMMING EXHIBITIONS**

2027

\*Kemi Art Museum, Kemi, Finland

Curator Tanja Kavasvuo

2025

\*Künstlerhaus Klagenfurt, Austria

Curator Claudia-Maria Luenig

\*Oodi Helsinki Central Library, Kuutio Art Media Digital Space, Helsinki, Finland

Curator Sanna Huttunen

\*Reklektor gallery, Uzice, Serbia

Curator Aleksandar Dimitrijević

\*Oulu Art Museum, Oulu, Finland

Curator Ki Nurmenniemi

\*Supermarket Art Fair, Stockholm, Sweden

With the gallery Huuto from Helsinki

# **SOLO EXHIBITIONS (selected)**

2024

\*Supernature, Annantalo Arts Center, Helsinki, Finland

\*Oulunsalo Soi Chamber Music Festival, Selected as the Visual Artist of the Year in collaboration with The Northern Photographic Centre (PVK), Oulu, Finland

Curator Darja Zaitsev

\*Biocenocis, Jakobi gallery, Tartu, Estonia

Curator Evelyn Grzinich

2022

\*Territories, MABD gallery, Oulu, Finland

\*Supernature, Children's Cultural Centre Rulla, Tampere, Finland

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\*Biofrictions, Huuto galleria, Helsinki, Finland

2020

\*Supernature, MABD gallery, Oulu, Finland

\*Scales, Gallery A2, Helsinki, Finland

2019

\*X-rays, Muu gallery, Helsinki, Finland

\*X-rays, MABD gallery, Oulu, Finland

2018

\*Natura, Gallery of the castle of Excideuil, Dordogne, France

2017

\*X-rays, health care and social center Mehiläinen, Oulu, Finland

\*QR- Wild lands, gallery of the garden atelier dedicated to artistic creation, "Jardin d'Hélys", Dordogne, France **Curator** Moniga Ray Bool

2016

\* Arctic, gallery Kajaste, Helsinki, Finland

\*Invisible, Oulu Museum of Art, Finland

Curator Elina Vieru

\*Arctic, Centre of photography of Mikkeli, Finland

Curator Olli Jaatinen

2015

\*Darwin, KulttuuriKaupila Art Center, Ii, Finland

Curator Senni Kela

2012

\*Science fiction food, photographic gallery studio Hyppolite, Helsinki, Finland

2011

\* Science fiction food, Artist's Studio Gallery, Helsinki, Finland

# SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS/ ART FAIR (selected)

2024

\*Supermarket Art Fair, Stockholm, Sweden

Curator Tarantula: Authors and Art Magazine

\*Triennial "Unpredictable Futures. Water", Klaipėda Cultural Communication Center, Lithuania

Curator Saule Teibere, Eglé Ganda Bogdaniené

2023

\*Mältinranta Art center, Tampere, Finland

\*Supermarket Art Fair, Stockholm, Sweden

curator Selina Väliheikki

\*Ars Nartae Lapland contemporary Art Weeks, gallery Kellokas, Äkäslompolo, Lapland

\*The Outsider Art festival, Helsinki, Finland

curator Heini Merkkiniemi

\*Halo, Exit 11 Art center, Grand-Leez, Belgium

curator Benoit Piret

2022

\*Lumo light festival, Oulu, Finland

\*Huuto's 20th Anniversary, Huuto gallery, Helsinki, Finland

2021

\*Vide, Neliö gallery, Oulu, Finland

2020

\*Lab/ processive empirical Gallery Basement, Vienna, Austria curator Minna Kangasmaa

2019

\*L'effet papillon, Exit11 gallery, Grand-Leez, Namur, Belgium

curator Benoit Piret

\*Biennal Organo #5, Bordeaux, France

#### 2018

\*Reality 2.0, gallery Short Cuts, Namur, Belgium

curator Guy Malevez

\*H2O, Art Ii Biennal, Ii, Finland

curator Merja Briñón, Anastasia Patsey, Antti Tenetz

#### 2017

- \*Utopik park, usine Kugler, Geneve, Switzerland
- \*Northern encounters, Northern photographic center, Oulu, Finland
- \*In & out, The Ostrobothnian photographic centre, Lapua, Finland

## 2016

- \*Gallery K1L, Jodoigne, Belgium
- \*ArtArctica Festival, Helsinki, Finland
- \*Ytimessä, Art Festival ARS Kärsämäki, Kärsämäki, Finland
- \* The snawball effect 3, The North Finland Biennal, Kemi Art Museum, Finland

#### 2015

\*New present, Mänttä Art Festival, Finland

curator Kalle Hamm and Dzamil Kamanger

- \*HOTS highlights of the summer, gallery 5, Oulu, Finland
- \*Art Fair Suomi 15, Cable Factory gallery, Helsinki, Finland

## 2014

- \*Exchange, gallery Uusi kipinä, Lahti, Finland
- \*Crossings, cultural center Espace Prévert, Savigny-le-Temple, France
- \* Contre-nature, Art center Syndicat Potentiel, Strasbourg, France

curator Jean.François Mugnier

\*My water, at the Art Manor of Kuusisto, Finland

# 2013

- \* Art Fair Art truc troc, Museum of Art Bozar, Brussels, Belgium
- \* Art of taste, taste of art, Art Biennal of Issy les Moulineaux, France
- \*Reflections, Stoa, cultural center of Easter Helsinki, Finland
- \*Strange fruits, Art Museum of Kemi, Finland, Lapland

# 2012

- \* The snawball effect 1, The North Finland Biennal, Oulu Museum of Art, Finland
- \* PolArt2K, Kemi Art Museum, Finland, Lapland

# curator Paavo Heinonen

- \* Capsule, Art Fair, Liège, Belgium
- \*Sans formats/ sans murs, gallery CADG, contemporary art Biennal "off", Liège, Belgium

## 2010

\*I'm hungry for art, Äkkigallery, Jyväskylä, Finland

## curator Anna Ruth

\* *Dissection intime*, Art center Syndicat Potentiel, Strasbourg, France **curator** Jean.François Mugnier

## 2009

\*Transposition, Gallery Michel Journiac, Paris, France

## 2008

- \*Passages, Gallery Michel Journiac, Paris, France
- \*Art de table, Gallery Dietmar Hahn, Bad Griesbach, Germany

# **COLLECTIONS**

Mehiläinen, health care and social center, Oulu, Finland, 2018

Oulu Museum of Art, OMA, Oulu, Finland, 2016 Saskiat Oulu, 2014 Kemi Art museum, Lapland, 2013 Private collections

# **MEMBERSHIPS**

Association of Photographic Artists, Helsinki, Finland
The Bioart Society, Finland
ADAGP, 1st french visual artists' rights management organisation, Paris, France
Kuvasto ry, 1st finnish copyright society for artist, Finland
Huuto gallery, Artist member, Helsinki, Finland
Catalysti, Transcultural artists in Finland

## **GRANTS/ STIPENDS**

2024

Project grant, city of Oulu, Finland

2023

Project grant, city of Oulu, Finland

Project grant, Arts promotion centre Finland

Working grant, Arts promotion centre Finland

Project grant, city of Oulu, Finland

Working grant, Arts promotion centre Finland

2021

Project grant, city of Oulu, Finland

Working grant, Arts promotion centre Finland

Project grant, Arts promotion centre Finland

Travel grant, Frame, Finland

Covid- 19 grant, Arts promotion centre Finland

2019

Grant for mobility, Arts promotion centre Finland

Working grant, Arts Council of Northern Ostrobothnia and Kainuu 2018

Grant for mobility, Arts promotion centre Finland

Project grant, the Paulo Foundation, Finland

2017

Project grant, Arts promotion centre Finland

Project grant, city of Oulu, Finland

Grant for mobility, Arts promotion centre of Finland

Working grant, Arts Council of Northern Ostrobothnia and Kainuu

Project grant, Arts Council of Northern Ostrobothnia and Kainuu

Exhibition grant, Saskiat, Oulu

2014

Travel grant, Arts promotion centre Finland, Helsinki

Project grant, city of Oulu, Finland

2013

Project grant, Arts Council of Northern Ostrobothnia and Kainuu

Travel grant, Arts promotion centre of Finland, Helsinki

# **CULTURAL PROJECTS/ POSITIONS OF TRUST**

2012-2024

Photography Instructor and visual teacher in various educational institutions, including high schools and colleges, as well as specialized art schools in Finland

2022-2023

Oulu artist's association, member of the board, in charge of international projects, Finland 2018

Expert for Contacts and Arranging Visits in Paris, City of Oulu (Cultural Capital 2026 Project) 2015-2016

Curator and translator for the Belgium printmaking magazine "Actuel" special Finland 2013

Oulu artist's association, member of the board, Finland

2009

Museum Guard, Visitor Guidance, Introduction to Museum Operations, Louvre Museum, Paris, France 2008

Glassbox, artist run space, Assistant: organization of exhibitions, artists' interview, Paris Museum Guard, Visitor Guidance, Introduction to Museum Operations, Pompidou Art Center, Paris, France

## LINKS ABOUT MY WORK

https://tarantulaauthorsandart.substack.com/p/shortcuts-1

https://www.kulttuurivihkot.fi/lehti/jutut/uutiset/1526-taiteen-tieteen-ja-luonnon-vuoropuhelua

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sRxeqvbvzxY

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jUM7BT7Pwmg