

Founded 30 years ago in the old covered market in the heart of Rennes, La Criée centre for contemporary art is an exhibition space dedicated to experimentation, production and diffusion of works by emergent or established artists from France and abroad.

In audience terms La Criée casts its net wide, functioning as a transmission point where the art forms of today and tomorrow, together with their uses, are invented and reflected.

For each new season the centre comes up with an ambitious programme of encounters and experiences on a local and global scale: exhibitions, art projects, research and multidisciplinary events.



Abraham Poincheval, La Vigie urbaine, performance, 2016

Attendances in 2017 – 2018 Art at the Centre: 38,500 visitors Off-site events: 7,500 visitors



Gareth Moore, Household, Temple, Yard, solo show, 2014

BACKGROUND

A listed 20th-century heritage building, the covered market was built in 1923 by architect Emmanuel Leray, and is still home to a busy daily market. The art centre moved in 1986, taking over the space of the former municipal fish market - La Criée - which gave it its name. In 1999 the centre for contemporary art formally became a City of Rennes cultural facility.

2 high-ceilinged rooms of 135m² and 25m² 1 room of 12m² 1 documentation and bookshop space



the covered market in the 30's

FOUR CREATIVITY PLATFORMS

The art centre's programming is structured around four creativity platforms: Art au Centre (Art at the Centre), Territoires en Création (Territories in the Making), Des Rives Continentales (On Continental Shores) and Prospectives (Looking to the Future). These platforms enable relevant activity on the centre's different geographical fronts.

Art at the Centre revolves around on-site exhibitions. The works on show – most of them for the first time - are by artists working in Brittany, in France, and internationally. This

platform is also a point of contact between a very varied audience and contemporary art, via the Rayons Verts (Green Flashes) programme of multidisciplinary events, and tours, encounters, workshops, etc.



Territories in the Making undertakes ventures in artistic creation. liaison and diffusion in Rennes, the Ille-et-Vilaine

département and the Brittany Region. An approach based on long-term cooperation brings together artists, residents and a network of educational, social welfare and other partners.



On Continental Shores is committed to the production and diffusion of outreach projects on a European and international scale: residencies for artists and curators. coproduction of artworks and exhibitions, joint publishing ventures and research programmes.



Looking to the Future makes ideas part of the art centre's beating heart, organising symposia, seminars, research workshops

and publications (monographs, collective works, artist's books, etc.) with a network of partners including research laboratories, art schools and universities.

THEMATIC SERIES

La Criée's activities are given overall momentum, consistency and identity by thematic series that address the public directly, underscoring the centre's role as a venue for communicating art.

2013-2016 Series

Courir les Rues (Runing the Streets), 2013-2014 season Battre la Campagne (Beating the Bushes), 2014-2015 season Fendre les Flots (Breaking the Waves), 2015-2016 season

2017-2018 Series

Alors que j'écoutais moi aussi [...] (As I was listening too [...])

ASSOCIATE ARTISTS

In an initiative borrowed from the performing arts, La Criée works each season with one or more associate artists. This cooperative venture enables a new, experimental approach to working with artists in the long term, experiencing the creative process at close quarters, inventing new partnerships and developing special interconnections with our various publics.

Jan Kopp 2013-2014 Yves Chaudouët 2014-2015 Ariane Michel 2015-2016 Félicia Atkinson, Julien Bismuth and Yann Sérandour January 2017-February 2018

TRANSMISSION

Over time La Criée has developed cutting-edge practical and research tools in the cultural liaison field.

In addition to its "short-term" offers – guided tours, tours + workshops, art trails, etc. – each year La Criée proposes long-term transmission projects in connection with the production of works and in-depth contact with artists.



Amalia Pica, One Thing After Another, solo show, 2014



Jan Kopp, Un Grand Ensemble, solo show, 2013



workshop in Yves Chaudouët, solo show, La Table gronde, 2015

A SELECTION OF SOLO EXHIBITIONS

Dan Graham, 1986 Erik Dietman, 1986 Gloria Friedmann, 1986 Jochen Gerz, 1987 Vladimír Škoda, 1987 Jacques Vieille, 1987 Günter Förg, 1987 Antony Gormley, 1987 Braco Dimitrijevic, 1988 Antoni Muntadas, 1988 Francois Morellet 1989 Etienne Bossut, 1989 Présence Panchounette, 1989 Tania Mouraud, 1990 Hubert Duprat, 1990 Rolf Julius, 1990 Alain Séchas, 1991 Yvan Salomone, 1992 Ilya Kabakov, 1992

Fabrice Hyber, 1993 Gilles Mahé, 1993 Vito Acconci, 1995 Thomas Huber, 1997 Felice Varini, 1998 Franz Erhard Walther, 1999 Barthélémy Toguo, 2000 Jean-Baptiste Bruant & Maria Spangaro, 2002 Ugo Rondinone, 2003 Wang Du, 2004 Jean-Luc Moerman, 2004 Alexandre Perigot, 2006 Adel Abdessemed, 2006 Paola Pivi. 2007 Christelle Familiari, 2008 Gianni Motti, 2008 Ângela Ferreira, 2009 Marcel Dinahet, 2009

Francois Seigneur, 2010 Benoît Laffiché, 2011 Boris Mikhaïlov, 2012 Allan Sekula. 2012 Pratchaya Phinthong, 2012 Mahony, 2013 Jan Kopp, 2013 Ziad Antar, 2014 Amalia Pica, 2014 Gareth Moore, 2014 Yves Chaudouët, 2015 Jérémie Gindre, 2015 Runo Lagomarsino, 2015 Ariane Michel, 2016 Joana Escoval, 2016 Félicia Atkinson, 2017 Julien Bismuth, 2017 Yann Sérandour, 2017

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La Criée is a member of the networks a.c.b. (Contemporary Art in Brittany) and d.c.a. (French Association for the Development of Art Centres).



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