

The photographic work of Laurence Demaison is exclusively made of self-portraits. Since 1994, she has made of her body and her face the subjects and the objects of the photographic exploration to which she is dedicated with obstinacy. Through the various series, she tries out the means which photography offers to dissimulate, to transform, to deteriorate her own image. There is in her work, a sensitive and singular course, almost obsessional. And her steps are perhaps a lucid and reflected search for identity whose complexity is only a sequence of questions which Laurence Demaison is asking herself. She maintains an attraction-repulsion to her own body which generates a strange fascination in the spectator.

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Aqua bon, 2006



Lévitacion, 2006



Photographie 32, 2006



Feu la lo, 2006

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Artist

Laurence Demaison

Born 1965
Lives and works in Strasbourg, France

1984-1988
Ecole d'architecture de Strasbourg
1990
First autodidact approaches to photography
1993
First self-portraits

Solo exhibitions

2006
Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France
2005
«Laurence Demaison?», Musée d'Art et d'Histoire, Cholet, France
2003
Musée d'Art Moderne et Contemporain* and Galerie Kahn*, Strasbourg, France
Galerie Baronian-Francey*, Brussels, Belgium
Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France
Galerie Lucien Schweitzer, Luxembourg
2002
Galerie Baudoin Lebon*, Paris, France
Atelier Soardi*, Nice, France
2001
Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France
Galerie Zoo, Strasbourg, France
«Personne», French Institute Stuttgart (catalogue), Germany
Paris Photo, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, France
1999
Stimultania, Strasbourg, France
1998
French Institute Dresde, Germany
Espace Lézard, Colmar, France
1997
Rhinocéros, Strasbourg, France

* Exhibitions organised by the CCF Foundation for Photography and Rip Hopkins

Group exhibitions

2006
Paris Photo, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, France
Kunst Köln, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Cologne, Germany
Art Paris, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, France
2005
Espace Photographique Contretype with Patrick Bailly-Maître-Grand, Brussels, Belgium
Star't, Galerie Schweitzer, Strasbourg, France
2004
Paris Photo, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, France
Fiac, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France
Kunst Köln, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Cologne, Germany
Art Brussels, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Belgium

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«Je t'envisage - la disparition du portrait», Musée de l'Elysée, Lausanne, Switzerland
 2003
 Paris Photo, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, France
 Art Basel, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Switzerland
 Art Brussel, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Belgium
 Cara a Cara, Lisbon, Portugal
 Galerie Francey Baronian, Brussels, Belgium
 Galerie Kahn, Strasbourg, France
 2002
 «Les Lauréats du CEAAC 1988 - 2002», St'Art, Strasbourg, France
 Photographilles, Strasbourg, France
 «Das andere Gesicht», Altonaer Museum, Hamburg, Germany
 Kunst Köln, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Cologne, Germany
 Tête à tête, Galerie Schweitzer Luxembourg
 Galerie Baudoin Lebon (for CCF), Paris, France
 FIAC Paris, Galerie le Réverbère, France
 Atelier Soardi (for CCF), Nice, France
 Paris photo, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, France
 «Art of the 20th century», Gallery Claude Bernard, New York, USA
 2001
 «Les Lauréats du CEAAC 1988 - 2002», St'Art, Strasbourg, France
 Paris Photo, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, France
 2000
 Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France
 Exp'ose, Wingen, France
 Paris Photo, Paris, France
 1999
 Portrait de corps, Galerie Khan, Strasbourg, France
 La citrouille bleue
 1998
 Stimultania, Strasbourg, France
 Les gaufrettes amusantes, France/ Germany
 1997
 Galerie Penning, Eindhoven, Netherlands

Publications

«Laurence Demaison», monograph, Le caillou bleu éditions, Brussels, 2005
 «Laurence Demaison», monograph, (CEAAC), Strasbourg, 2005
 «Laurence Demaison», monograph, Le caillou bleu éditions, 2003
 La Recherche, January 2003
 Société d'Edit. Scientifiques, Paris
 «Personne», monograph catalogue, French Institute Stuttgart, 2001.

Awards

2002
 Foundation CCF for photography (Monograph Actes Sud)
 2001
 Scholarships from Alsace and Baden-Wurttemberg regions
 2000
 Scholarship CEAAC (Centre Européen d'Actions Artistiques Contemporaines)
 Scholarship, Ets Wattwiller
 1997
 Scholarship, DRAC