

MANOELA MEDEIRO

BIOGRAPHY

In her practice, Manoela Medeiros (b. 1991, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) articulates an approach to painting that transcends the specificities of the medium, making use of sculpture, performance, and installation work. Pursuing a hybrid framework for the pictorial, Medeiros questions artistic media by going beyond their conventional formats, producing paintings and in situ installations that explore the relationships between space, time, and the corporeality of art and of the viewer.

The artist frequently performs direct interventions into exhibition spaces, creating works that emerge from the singularities of the space around her, whether they be material, structural, or in relation to natural and artificial light. With this, her practice attributes a sense of organicity to space, turning architecture into its own body, one that is specific to the experience of art.

Through a seemingly archeological process, Medeiros engages with the notion of ruins as a spatial indication for passing time, undertaking a process that reveals what is often left to underlie. The artist scrapes surfaces - such as the exhibition space's walls-, unveiling the layers of colors and materials employed, covered, and thus, forgotten over time. Medeiros seeks to reinvigorate our temporal experience by exhibiting layers -each of which carries the memory of the time when it was created-, and by allowing them to coexist and intertwine. Thus, the artist operates within a liminal space between construction and destruction, foregrounding how they may complement, rather than detract from each other.

Manoela Medeiros lives and works in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Medeiros studied at the École Des Beaux-Arts, in Paris, and at the Escola de Artes Visuais do Parque Lage, in Rio de Janeiro.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2022	O carnaval da substância, at Nara Roesler, São Paulo, Brazil
2020	Concerto a céu aberto, at Kubik Gallery, in Porto, Portugal
2019	L'être dissout dans le monde, at Galerie Chloé Salgado, in Paris, France
2017	Poeira varrida, at Galeria Fortes D'Aloia & Gabriel, in São Paulo, Brazil
2017	Falling Walls, at Double V Gallery, in Marseille, France

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2021	Arqueologias no presente, at Nara Roesler, in São Paulo, Brazil
	Recyclage / Surcyclage, at Fondation Villa Datris (2020), in L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue, France
2020	Reservoir, at 019, in Ghent, Belgium



2018	Vivemos na melhor cidade da América do Sul, at Fundação Iberê Camargo (FIC), in Porto
	Alegre, Brazil
	Espaces témoins, at Praz Delavallade, in Paris, France
2017	67ème Prix Jeune Création, at Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, in Paris, France
2017	62ème Salon Montrouge, in Paris, France
2016	In Between, at Galeria Bergamin & Gomide, in São Paulo, Brazil
2015	11º Abre Alas, at Gentil Carioca, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil