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Galerie Contemporary Art Centre

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as I was going along, 2012 Oil on canvas, 180 x 170 cm Courtesy Françoise Besson gallery

Emmanuelle Castellan / Personal exhibition Curator: Marianne Lanavère

22 September - 17 November 2012

Opening Friday 21 September, 6 – 9 pm / Press preview: 5 – 6 pm in the presence of the artist and the curator

On the evening of the opening a free shuttle leaves Paris at 7 pm (Place de la Bastille, opposite the Opera): returns to Paris at 9:30 pm. No booking required, subject to seating availability.

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La Galerie Centre for Contemporary Art in Noisy-le-Sec is offering Emmanuelle Castellan her first institutional solo exhibition in the IIe-de-France Region.

Born in Aurillac (France) in 1976 and currently based in Berlin, the artist will be presenting a series of drawings and new canvases, with many of the latter freestanding and set off by wall drawings.

Emmanuelle Castellan's painting is marked by an elusive, "delayed action" presence, its motifs brought together in an experimental vein for a totally uncompartmentalised presentation, using walls, hanging rails, window frames, etc.

This seemingly insignificant approach has the effect of imbuing the space with a highly subjective mingling of the ethereal and the organic. The eye almost seems to slide over what she calls her "screen paintings", oblique movable walls which punctuate the viewing itinerary and mischievously make the space their own. Listening to the echo of a fluctuating space: this could be the game Emmanuelle Castellan's painting calls on us to take part in.

Biographical background

Emmanuelle Castellan was born in Aurillac in 1976.

Since 2011 she has been living and working in Berlin, where she contributed to the "Ecotone" exhibition jointly organised by the Kunstverein Tiergarten and the Maison des Arts Georges Pompidou in Cajarc, in south-western France. Her solo exhibitions in France include "Tout doit disparaître" (Everything Must Go) at the bbb Centre for Contemporary Art in Toulouse (2008), "C'était hier" (That Was Yesterday) at the Interface apartment/gallery in Dijon (2009) and also in 2009, "Il arrive de préférer le desert" (Sometimes You Prefer the Desert) at the Galerie Françoise Besson in Lyon, which represents her.

www.emmanuellecastellan.com / www.francoisebesson.com

Visuals

In 300 dpi on request: marjolaine.calipel@noisylesec.fr Tel. +33 (0)1 49 42 67 17 Exhibition views available mid-September



figure 2, 2012 Oil on canvas 180 cm x170 cm Courtesy Françoise Besson gallery, Lyon (France)



Musique de chambre (Chamber Music) 2011 Exhibition view, "Ecotone", Kunstverein Tiergarten, Berlin Courtesy Françoise Besson gallery, Lyon (France)



l'une et l'autre (the one and the other), 2012 Oil on canvas 180 x 200 cm Courtesy Françoise Besson gallery, Lyon (France)



Berlin nuit (Night berlin), 2011 Oil on canvas and painting, 190 x 170 cm spraypak paint on plywood, 300 x 400 cm Exhibition view, Ecotone, at the Maison des Arts Georges Pompidou, Cajarc Courtesy Françoise Besson gallery, Lyon (France)

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communauté perdue (lost community), 2012 Oil on canvas 60 x 80 cm Courtesy Françoise Besson gallery, Lyon (France)



old winter, 2012 Oil on canvas 62 x 52 cm Courtesy Françoise Besson gallery, Lyon (France)



Exhibition view, "Ecotone", Kunstverein Tiergarten, Berlin Courtesy Françoise Besson gallery, Lyon (France)



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Emmanuelle Castellan's exhibition events

Before nightfall: an art stroll

Tour of the exhibition followed by an encounter with artists in residence Florentine and Alexandre Lamarche-Ovize, in their studio > Saturday 6 October, 5:00 - 6:30 pm/Meet at La Galerie Part of Nuit Blanche/White Night 2012

Danced performance

in the exhibition Dominique Brun, choreographer > Friday 26 October, 7:30 pm, at La Galerie In association with the Théâtre des Bergeries, Noisy-le-Sec, as part of Dominique Brun's residency

East Trail #11 Free shuttle service to exhibitions in Eastern Paris

Maison populaire (Montreuil), Les Salaisons (Romainville), La Galerie (Noisy-le-Sec) > Saturday 17 November 2012, 2 - 7 pm, Meet at 2 pm, Place de la Nation, Paris 12, opposite the Le Dalou restaurant Free subject to reservation at resa@parcours-est.com Further information: www.parcours-est.com

"Tour for Two Voices" with Emmanuelle Castellan and art critic Jens Emil Sennewald

> Saturday 17 November, 5:30 - 6:30 pm, at La Galerie

Saturday For children: Saturday art workshops / Free (advance booking required) Until 17 November inclusive

• 4 - 5 year olds

All on Our Own: every Saturday, 4:30 - 5:15 pm With parents (plus a free snack!): Saturday 17 November, 4:30 - 5:30 pm

• 6 - 12 year olds

All on Our Own: every Saturday, 2:30 - 4 pm With parents (plus a free snack!): Saturday 17 November, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

All La Galerie activities are free.

LA GALERIE, Contemporary art centre, Noisy-le-Sec/ Paris

La Galerie is an art centre endorsed by the Ministry of Culture and Communications. Opened in 1999 in a former notary's residence in Noisy-le-Sec (Seine-Saint-Denis département). It offers a broad public a programme based on art as a sensory experience and a reflection of our relationship with the world.



Four exhibitions per year, each accompanied by a publication, enable visitors to discover new work by internationally recognised and emerging artists.

After Hélène Chouteau, director from 1998 to 2004, Marianne Lanevère was at the helm until March 2012. The programme she had drawn up will terminate in February 2013, with a new director taking office in September 2012.

Helping French artists in everyday practical terms via **residencies and production of works**, La Galerie has also, since 2006, established its niche on the international scene by welcoming **resident curators from abroad** and publishing **a free bilingual guide** for each exhibition.

In addition, as part of each exhibition, the La Galerie team offers **educational and cultural activities as well as liaison facilities**.

All La Galerie activities are **free**. A mediator providing help and guidance for visitors is present full-time in the exhibition space, and an **information area** offers useful back-up material.

La Galerie Centre for Contemporary Art is financed by the City of Noisy-le-Sec, with the support of the Ile-de-France/Ministry of Culture and Communications Regional Cultural Affairs Board, the Seine-Saint-Denis Département and the Ile-de-France Region.

La Galerie is a member of:

d.c.a, French Association for the Development of Art Centres: www.dca-art.com Tram, contemporary art network for Paris/Ile-de-France: www.tram-idf.fr

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

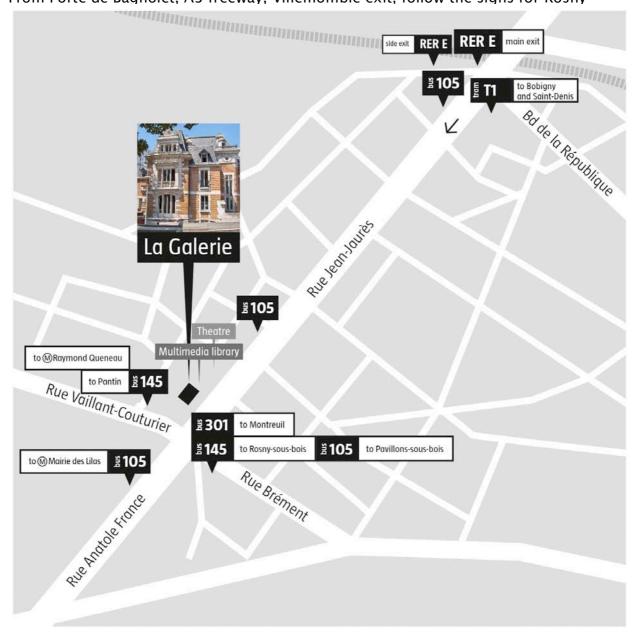
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Opening hours Tuesday - Friday, 2 - 6 pm Saturday 2 - 7 pm and by appointment

La Galerie: how to get there

RER E from St Lazare/Haussmann or Gare du Nord/Magenta (10 minutes). Get off at "Noisy-le-Sec ", then 10 minutes' walk to City Hall ("La Mairie") Tram T1 get off at "Noisy-le-Sec" Bus 105 or 145 get off at "Jeanne d'Arc" Car From Porte des Lilas, follow the signs for Romainville From Porte de Bagnolet, A3 freeway, Villemomble exit, follow the signs for Rosny



SAVE THE DATE/COMING EXHIBITIONS

Virginie Yassef /Personal exhibition + The Seine-Saint-Denis département Contemporary Art Collection/Works by different artists on show in various Noisy-le-Sec venues 1 December 2012 - 9 February 2013 Opening: Friday 30 November, 6 - 9 pm

"High Creative Tension"/Art from the Saturday workshops for children 19 February – 2 March 2013 Opening: Tuesday 19 February 2013, 4 – 8 pm

Lamarche & Ovize + other artistes subject to confirmation Exhibition including the works produced during their residency 16 March - 11 May 2013 Opening: Friday 15 March 2013, 6 - 9 pm



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