ANNE GAISS



 $\textit{Nigredo 2}, 2018, \text{cut-outs and incisions on french paper Moulin de la Roque}, 67 \, \text{x} \, 52, 5 \, \text{cm}$

Between macrocosm and microcosm, Anne Gaiss' world draws from the sources of the invisible. Whether dealing with the internal structure of the material as revealed by science, or celestial matter lost at the confines of space, her quest is always for the mystery of its paths toward our consciousness. The artist becomes a Shaman, a conduit, the one who brings about a way to "see through" or "see beyond" our reality. Inspired by the writings of alchemists, she recreates a world. From a unity transformed into duality and further fragmented under the blade of the scalpel, from darkness to light, she plays, transforms, operates a metamorphosis and transmutes the visible to bring forth its quintessence. According to the alchemist Martin Rulland, "Imagination is the star, the celestial or supracelestial body within man."

Ethereal, subtle, the spirit takes form, the form becomes matter, matter becomes consciousness. For the alchemist, metal has a soul; that is what the artist reveals in those papers. Their surface, covered with silver or copper, becomes a mirror of the soul, while chasings and scores take us to the back of the mirror. "Know yourself and you will know the universe" was the maxim of the temple of Delphi.

Beyond the exploration of the nature of matter, the artist as alchemist offers a way to project, as Jung suggested, the unconscious into the darkness of matter in order to illuminate it.

Deconstructing emptiness to reconstruct form. The skin finely lifted and punctured reveals a world of emotions and sensations, bringing forth from the void a "sculpture of the living" - a luxurious, swaying, vibrating, luminous creation. The vibration of the scalpel, from which the form originates, and the light playing on the metal become the source of the *anima mundi*.



 $\textit{Umbra 1}, 2018, \text{indian ink on traditional indian paper}, 93 x 118 \, \text{cm}$







Nigredo 2 (a, b, c), 2018, cut-outs and incisions on french paper Moulin de la Roque, $25\,\mathrm{x}$ 19 cm



Nigredo 4, 2018, cut-outs and incisions on japanese black silver paper on gold silver sheet mounted on traditional Indian paper, $74\,\mathrm{x}\,56\,\mathrm{cm}$



 $\it Nigredo~3, 2018, cut$ -outs and incisions on french paper Moulin de la Roque, 67~x~52,5~cm



Anima Animus 4, 2018, cut-outs and incisions on silver sheet mounted on traditional indian paper, $76 \times 60 \, \text{cm}$



 $\it Albedo~1, 2018, cut\mbox{-}outs$ and incisions on traditional indian paper, 74.5~x~56.5~cm



 $\textit{Splendor Solis 3}, 2018, \text{cut-outs and incisions on silver sheet mounted on paper}, 24\,x\,24\,\text{cm}$



 $\textit{Nigredo 1}, 2018, cut-outs \ and \ incisions \ on \ traditional \ indian \ paper \ and \ indian \ ink, \ 74,5 \ x \ 56 \ cm$





Splendor Solis 1 (détail), 2018, cut-outs and incisions on cooper sheet mounted on traditional indian paper, $76\,x\,57$ cm



Splendor Solis 1, 2018, cut-outs and incisions on copper sheet mounted on traditional indian paper, $76\,x\,57$ cm



Animus anima 1, 2018, cut-outs and incisions on copper sheet mounted on traditional indian paper, $68.5 \times 102 \, \mathrm{cm}$



Splendor Solis 2, 2018, cut-outs and incisions on copper sheet mounted on traditional indian paper, 74,5 x 56,5 cm

Anne GAISS

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SOLO SHOW

Spendor solis, Galerie Virginie Louvet, Paris, France
La matière et l'espace, Galerie Caroline Tresca, Paris, France
Destins croisés, Galerie du Haut-Pavé, Paris, France
Mues et merveilles, SEL, Sèvres, France
Incarnation, Maison Laffitte, France
Metamorphosis, Galerie Brumaire, Paris, France
Constellations organiques, Galerie Dom-Art, Dax, France
Jardins de Paradis, Galerie FAE l'Atelier, Boulogne-Billancourt, France

GROUP SHOWS (Selection)

2018	Drawing Now
2017	Rétrospective petits formats, Galerie du Haut-Pavé, Paris, France
	Traits d'union, Galerie Dom-Art, Dax, France
	Art Hors Normes, Lanxi Gallery, Shangaï, Chine
	Galerie Gaïa, Nantes
	Rencontres, Continental Art Gallery, Beaulieu/mer, France
2015	X, Diplômés du mastère Création et Technologies Contemporaine de l'ENSCI les ateliers, Paris,
	France
2014	Dess(e)ins, Galerie Brumaire, commission Coline Poverel, Paris, France
2013	Biennale hors les normes, Lyon, France
	Chimères, Galerie Brumaire, commission Coline Poverel, Paris, France
	Vous avez dit végétal ?, SEL Sèvres, France
2012	L'art au carré, Galerie Albane, Nantes, France
	Le 109, Pulls'art, Le Mans, France
	MAC Paris, France
2011	Le 109, Galerie Carte Blanche, Le Mans, France
	Vanités, Biennale d'Issy les Moulineaux, France
	MAC Paris, France

EDUCATION

2016	Formation of therapist art, INECAT, Paris
2014	Master's degree Création et Technologies Contemporaines, ENSCI les ateliers, Paris, France
2004	Competitive entrance examination and formation for auction provided from the Conseil des ventes
	volontaires aux enchères publiques
2002	Preparative year for the competition of heritage officer specialisation archeology prehistoric
2001	DEA of Eastern archeology at the Ecole Pratique des Hautes Études under the supervision of Jean-
	Claude Margueron
2000	Private law degree mention Carrières Judiciaires et Sciences Criminelles, Sorbonne University, Paris
	Bachelor's degree, specialized in eastern archeology, Indian and Southeast Asia arts, École du
	Louvre Paris

PRIZES

2013	Prize of SEL during the exhibition « Vous avez dit végétal ? »
2011	Prize of the Biennale of Issy les Moulineaux, France

COLLECTIONS ET FOUNDS

2017	Fonds de France, president Claudel, Paris, France
2014	Ville de Maison Laffitte
	Collection of the Galerie du Haut pavé
2011	Ville d'Issy les Moulineaux

MEDIA / PRESS / CATALOGUE

Publications

2014 Artension, Marion Kling

Miroir de l'art spécial dessin n°52, Ludovic Duhamel

Azart, magazine cover

Press and catalogues

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2015	Le contre an	muaire nº	")

2017 Retrospective catalogue of 10 years of personal exhibitions at the Galerie du Haut Pavé