

CARLOS MENSIL (*Santo Tirso, 1988*)

BA in Painting by the Faculty of Fine Arts of the University of Porto and MA in Painting by the same institution. In his work Carlos Mensil explores the aesthetic and structural potentialities of materials outside their usual context in a territory of conceptual questioning. What we see are scenarios of apparent possibilities, or impossibilities.

His work is represented in various national and international public and private collections, such as the Galila Barzilai - Hollander Collection (BE), the Donna Macmillan Collection (USA) or the Cerveira Biennial Foundation (PT), to name but a few. He is a co-founding member of the independent collective "CampaNice". He lives and works in Porto, PT.

academic training

2012 MA, Painting, Faculty of Fine Arts of the University of Porto (Porto, PT)

2010 BA, Painting, Faculty of Fine Arts of the University of Porto (Porto, PT)

solo shows

2019 *And from the dust it shall return*, Travessa da Ermida (Lisbon, PT)

2018 *Pensar no vazio*, Galeria Presença (Porto, PT)

2017 *Cada um pinta como sabe*, Kubikulo | Kubikgallery (Porto, PT)

2016 *Palavras soltas que me dizes juntas*, Janes (Braga, PT)

2015 *Às costas da verdade*, Galeria Presença (Porto, PT)

2015 *Lugares de conflito*, Show Me - Design and Art (Barcelos, PT)

2013 *Um espaço sobre outro espaço*, Silo Espaço Cultural (Porto, PT)

group shows (selection)

2016-19 *ARCOLisbon*, booth Galeria Presença (Lisbon, PT)

2019 *Síntese Activa*, Fórum Arte Braga (Braga, PT)

2018 *Handle with care*, Portuguese Cultural Centre / Camões Institute (Luxemburgo, LU)

2017 *Caleidoscópico*, Maus Hábitos (Porto, PT)

2017 *Lying behind the glass*, Casa Esperança (Braga, PT)

2015 *Entre outros*, Galeria Presença (Porto, PT)

2015 *Lugares de viagem*, Maia Biennial / Fórum Cultural da Maia (Maia, PT)

2015 *Com o livro do mundo ao lado* (w/ Celeste Cerqueira, Paulo Jesus, Susana Gaudêncio), Espaço Mira (Porto, PT)

2014 *Teoria da pintura*, AISCA (Viana do Castelo, PT)

2013 *9th Amadeo de Souza-Cardoso Award*, Municipal Museum Amadeo de Souza-Cardoso (Amarante, PT)

collections

Cerveira Biennial Foundation (PT)

Municipality of Vila Verde (PT)

COTEC Portugal (PT)

Bureau Veritas (PT)

Galila Barzilai-Hollander Collection (BE)

Donna Macmillan Collection (USA)

Private collections in Portugal, Angola, EUA and Luxembourg

artistic residencies

2016 *Artistic residency Montepio*, Porto Lazer (Porto, PT)

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prizes

2015 *XVIII Cerveira International Art Biennial* , IPDJ prize

2014 *8th International Biennial of Vila Verde* , first prize (Vila Verde, PT)