

HEATHER GAUDIO FINE ART

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MANUEL MÉRIDA (b. 1939)

Manuel Mérida is a Venezuelan artist whose kinetic art explores the infinite forms and visions that can be created through the movement of media within a contained space. His works are comprised of various materials, including sand, pigments, coal powder, wood, and metal inside of a square or circular case with a glass cover for viewing. The works are installed on an axis that allows the piece to rotate either by a motor or by the hand of the viewer. Through their mobile nature, his pieces pose opportunities for perpetual evolution.

EDUCATION

1950-58 Studied at School of Fine Arts of Valencia, Valencia, Venezuela

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

SOLO

- 2021 *Rétroviseur*, Espace Meyer Zafra, Paris, France
- 2013 *Usuyuki/Chantier*, Espace Meyer Zafra, Paris, France
- 2010 *Monochrome, Mouvement, Matière*, Espace Meyer Zafra, Paris, France
- 2001 *Arteactivo*, Espace Meyer Zafra, Paris, France
- 2000 University of Los Andes, Mérida, Venezuela
Museum of Art, Tovar, Mérida, Venezuela
- 1998 Centre de Culture et de Jeunesse, Neuilly-sur-Seine, France
- 1995 Embassy of Venezuela, Paris, France
- 1993 Haus van der Redoute, Bonn, Germany
- 1978 Gallery Graphic CB, Caracas, Venezuela
- 1976 Museum of the Fine Arts, Escuela de Bellas Artes, Caracas, Venezuela
- 1973 Sala Mendoza, Caracas, Venezuela
- 1965 Galeria del Circulo Pez Dorado, Caracas, Venezuela

GROUP

- 2020 *Recyclage, Surcyclage*, Fondation Villa Datriis, Isle sur la Sorgue, France
- 2019 50ème anniversaire du prix de peinture Novembre à Vitry, Galerie Municipale Jean-Collet, Vitry-Sur-Seine, France
Color-Luz: Artistas cinéticos en la collection del MACLA, Museo de Arte Contemporaneo Latinoamericano, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 2015 *L'art cinétique vénézuélien*, Maison des Arts Ville d'Anthony, France
- 2013 *Mouvements & Lumières*, Centre d'Art Frank Popper, Marcigny, France
- 2012 *Mouvement et lumière*, Fondation Villa Datriis, L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue, France
- 2006 *Collective Show Une Histoire du Cinétisme*, Espace Meyer Zafra, Paris, France
- 2005 *Collective Show Autour de Soto*, Espace Meyer Zafra, Paris, France
- 2004 *Collective Show Movement and Abstraction*, Espace Meyer Zafra, Paris, France
- 2003 *4 Matières du Venezuela*, Espace Meyer Zafra, Paris, France
- 2001 *Collective Show 6 Artists of the Gallery*, Espace Meyer Zafra, Paris, France
- 1999 *Arte Optico, Arte Cinetico*, Espace du St Pré, Bethune, France
- 1998 *Arte in Movimiento*, Galery of National Art, Caracas, Venezuela
- 1988 *Venezuelan Artists Living in Paris*, Hotel de Ville de Vitry, Paris, France
- 1983 *2nd Biennale of Visual Arts*, Museo de Arte Contemporaneo, Caracas, Venezuela
- 1981 *First Biennale of Visual Arts*, Museum of Fine Arts, Escuela de Bellas Artes and National Art Gallery, Caracas, Venezuela
Once Tipos, Sala Mendoza, Caracas, Venezuela

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- Artists Constructivists*, Galeria Concejo, Maracay, Venezuela
1980 *Indagacion de la Imagen*, Gallery of National Art of Caracas, Caracas, Venezuela
1979 *Estructuras de papel*, Gallery Graphic CB2, Caracas, Venezuela
1975 *L'Oeil en question*, Noroit Center, Arras, France
1972 *Jue, Lumière et Animation*, Gallery La cloche, Paris, France
Salon de Mai, Musée d'Art Moderne, Paris, France
1969 *Salon des Réalités Nouvelles*, Musée d'Art Moderne, Paris, France
1967 *Salon de Arte Venezolano*, Museum of Fine Arts, Escuela de Bellas Artes, Caracas, Venezuela

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

- Musée de Vitry, Paris, France
Archer Huntington Art Gallery, Austin University, Austin, TX
Museo de Bellas Artes, Caracas, Venezuela
Galeria de Arte Nacional, Caracas, Venezuela
Museo de Arte Jesus Soto, Ciudad Bolivar, Venezuela
Museo de Arte Contemporaneo Sofia Imber, Caracas, Venezuela
Museo de Arte, Maracay, Venezuela
Banco Central de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela
Eugenio Mendoza Foundation, Caracas, Venezuela
Ateneo de Valencia, Valencia, Venezuela
Collection Meeschaert, Paris, France
Museo de Arte Contemporaneo Latinoamericano, Buenos Aires, Argentina