

# Thu-Van Tran

## Biography

Born 1979 in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Lives and works in Paris, France

### Education

2004

MFA Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Arts, France

Exhibition Practice Seminar Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Arts, France

2001

Coubertin Foundry - Compagnons du Devoir, Saint-Rémy Les-Chevreuses, France

2000

BA Glasgow School of Art, Environmental Design Department, UK

### Solo Exhibitions

2026

KINDL Center for Contemporary Art, Berlin, Germany (upcoming)

Almine Rech, Shanghai, China (upcoming)

2024

'Write as the Beasts Cry at Night', La Loge, Brussels, Belgium,

'In spring, ghosts return', Almine Rech, New York, NY, US

2023

'Nous vivons dans l'éclat', MAMAC, Nice, France

'58th Carnegie International', Pittsburgh, PA, US

2021

'Beyond the need for consolation', Almine Rech, Paris, France

2020

'Novel Without a Title', Kunsthaus Baselland, Basel, Switzerland

'Trail Dust', Almine Rech, Paris, France

2019

'Trail Dust', Almine Rech, Paris, France

Art Unlimited, Art Basel, Rudiger Schottle, Basel, Switzerland Rudiger Schottle Gallery, Munich, Germany

'24h à Hanoi', Le CREDAC, Ivry-sur-Seine, France

2018

'Une Place au Soleil', La Grande Place, Musée Cristal, Fondation Hermès, St Louis, France

'Xe Dap Oi', Vincom Center for Contemporary Art, Hanoi, Vietnam

'Maidday', Galerie Saint Séverin, Paris, France

2017

'Mountains Are Like The Bones of The Earth. Water Is its Blood', Meessen De Clercq, Brussels, Belgium

'The Blind Excuse', Joseph Tang Gallery, Paris, France

Frieze New York, Meessen De Clercq, New York, NY, US

2016

'Listen, The Darkness Deepens', Ladera Oeste, Guadalajara, Mexico

'From Stamping to Reading', Macleay Museum, Sydney, Australia

'Exchange of Presents', Neuer Berliner Kunstverein, Berlin, Germany

'Ecrire et Autre Eclats', Les Abattoirs, Toulouse, France

2015

'We Are This, and That, Aren't We?', Meessen De Clercq, Brussels, Belgium

'Cao Su Pleure', Espace Art et Essai, Rennes, France

2013

'Rejections', MEPIC - Musée Eclaté de la presqu'île de Caen, Caen, France

Statements, Art Basel, Basel, Switzerland

'La Dix-Huitième Place', Centre d'Art Villa du Parc, Annemasse, France

'We Live in The Flicker', Meessen De Clercq, Brussels, Belgium

2011

'La Tache', Galerie Martine Aboucaya, Paris, France

2010

'Le Nombre Pur selon Duras', La Maison Rouge - Le Patio, Paris, France

2009

'Fahrenheit 451-Homme Livre Homme Livre', Bétonsalon - Centre d'Art et de Recherche, Paris, France

2007

'Thu-Van Tran', L'Espace - Centre Culturel Français de Hanoi, Hanoi, Vietnam

2006

'Lumière Arrière', Musée des Beaux-Arts de Mulhouse, Mulhouse, France

## **Group exhibitions**

2025

'After Fire', Aranya Art Center, Qinhuangdao, China

'Fire', Fondation Boghossian, Brussels, Belgium

'VERTIGO', Fondation Carmignac, Hyères, France

2024

'Tongues of Fire', Kunsthalle Trondheim, Norway  
Art Basel Hong Kong, Almine Rech, Hong Kong, China  
Art Brussels, Almine Rech, Brussels, Belgium  
Art Paris, Almine Rech, Paris, France  
Art Dubai, Almine Rech, Dubai, United Arab Emirates  
artgeneve, Almine Rech, Geneva, Switzerland  
Ceramic Brussels, Almine Rech, Brussels, Belgium  
'Nature's Reflections', Almine Rech Monaco, Monaco  
'Monaco Opening Show', Almine Rech Monaco, Monaco  
'Porter notre part de la nuit', MAC VAL, Vitry-sur-Seine, France  
'Gesture & Form: Women in Abstraction', Almine Rech New York, Upper East Side, NY, US

2023

'58th Carnegie International', The Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, US  
'Avant l'Orage', La Bourse de Commerce - Fondation Pinault, Paris, France  
ART SG, Almine Rech, Singapore  
Tokyo Gendai, Almine Rech, Tokyo, Japan  
artmonte-carlo, Almine Rech, Monaco  
artgeneve, Almine Rech, Geneva, Switzerland  
Paris + par Art Basel, Almine Rech, Basel, Switzerland  
'The Memory Palace. Focus on the French art scene with the Marcel Duchamp Prize', Dacia-România, Bucarest, Romania

2022

'Réclamer la terre', Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France  
'Color is Everything', Bundeskunsthalle, Bonn, Germany  
'Global(e) Resistance', Centre Pompidou, Paris, France  
'Les militantes, Fondation Guerlain', Paris, France

2021

'Artistes à la Une Togeth'Her', Monnaie de Paris, Paris, France

2020

'Global(e) Resistance', MNAM Centre Pompidou, Paris, France  
'Words at an Exhibition – an exhibition in ten chapters and five poems', Busan Biennale, Museum of Contemporary Art Busan (MOCA), Busan, Korea  
'Summer', Almine Rech Gallery, Paris, France

2019

Musée Niemeyer, Curitiba, Brazil  
MUCEM, Marseille, France  
FIAC Projects, Petit Palais, Paris, France  
MUCEM, Marseille, France  
'Ways of Seeing / Artists of the Prix Duchamp', Bienalsur, National Museum of Decorative Art, Buenos Aires, Argentina  
Curitiba International Biennial of Contemporary Art, Curitiba, Brazil  
'Where The Sea Remembers', The Mistake Room, Los Angeles  
'A Rebrousse-Temps', Musée Camille Claudel, Nogent-sur-Seine, France  
'A Day with Marie Vassilieff', Maba - Fondation Rothschild, Nogent-sur-Marne, France  
'Anatomy of Political Melancholia', Conservatoire of Athens, Athens, Greece  
'The Unwritten Library / After Babel', Visual Arts Centre in Megaron, Athens, Greece

2018

Marcel Duchamp Prize , Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

FIAC Programmes, Petit Palais, Paris, France

'Anatomy of Political Melancholia', The Schwartz Foundation, Art Space Pythahorion, Samos, Greece

'Cosmogonies', MAMAC, Nice, France

'Un Désir d'Archéologie', Carré d'Art, Nîmes, France

2017

'Entre Deux Infinis', Galerie Anne-Sarah Bénéchou, Paris, France

'Manipulate The World', Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden

'Montag or The Possible Libraries', Frac Franche-Comté, France

'Remember Lidice', Lidice Museum, Lidice, Czech Republic

'Viva Arte Viva', 57th Venice Biennale, The Arsenale, Venice, Italy

'Jardin Infini. De Giverny à l'Amazonie', Centre Pompidou-Metz, France

2016

'La Timidité des Cimes', Le Parvis, Tarbes, France

'The Meurice Prize Exhibition', The Meurice Hotel, Paris, France

'A Brief History of The Future', Palazzo Reale, Milan, Italy

'ANTHROPOCENE', Meessen De Clercq, Brussels, Belgium

2015

'Soudain...La Neige', Maba - Fondation Rothschild, Nogent-Sur-Marne, France

'Dévider le Réel', Les Abattoirs, Toulouse, France

'Remember Lidice', Block Edition, Berlin, Germany

'A Brief History of The Future', Royal Museums of Fine Arts, Brussels, Belgium

'Translation as A Negotiation', The kunsthalle, Mulhouse, France

2014

'Matérialisme Historique', Galerie Jerome Poggi, Paris, France

'Le Corps Invisible', Gerlie Edouard Manet, Gennevilliers, France

'Sans titre (Je suis là)', Galerie Jerome Poggi, Paris, France

'Interprète', Le Plateau, FRAC Île-de-France, France

'Par Les Temps Qui Courent', LiFE, Saint-Nazaire, France

2013

Vehbi Koc Fondation, Istanbul, Turkey

Nuit Blanche, Paris, France

'The Unanswered Question', Tanas Fondation/n.b.k. - Berlin, Germany

2012

'L'Homme de Vitruve', Le Crédac, Ivry-sur-Seine, France

'Twentieth to twentieth', End of Century, New York, NY, US

'Particles', Meessen De Clercq, Brussels, Belgium

2011

'Soudain Déjà', Palais des Beaux-Arts de Paris, France

'Au grenier quatre pièces de mémoire', Musée Départemental d'Art Contemporain - Rochechouart, France

2010

'Liste', Basel, Switzerland

'All Over', Galerie Martine Aboucaya, Paris, France

'Le Carillon de Big Ben', Le CREDAC, Ivry-sur-Seine, France

2009

'Meeting You Halfway', Galerie Martine Aboucaya, Paris, France

'Phase Zéro', Galerie Serge Aboukrat, Paris, France

'Là Ou Je Suis N'existe Pas', Lieu Commun, Le Printemps de Septembre, Toulouse, France

'Memory of Void', Kimusa, Artsonje Center, Seoul, Korea

2007

'Expériences Insulaires', Le CREDAC, Ivry-sur-Seine, France

2006

'Voir en Peinture', La Générale, Paris, France

2005

'Tolerate Me', Galerie DAP, Warszawa, Poland

Galerie Hengevoss-Durkop, Hamburg, Germany

2004

'Félicité', Palais des Beaux-Arts de Paris, Paris, France

'Première Vue', Galerie du Passage Retz, Paris, France

'Singles', Galerie Pitch, Paris, France

### **Curating and Artistic Direction**

2014

'Duras Song', an exhibition concerning Marguerite Duras archives activated in an installation by Thu Van Tran and curated with Jean-Max Colard, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

2006

'Hradacany', curated with Yann Chateigné, La Générale, Paris, France

### **Residencies**

2025-2026

Villa Medici, Rome, Italy

PICA (Perth Institute of Contemporary Art), Australia

2022

The Monash University Museum of Art (MUMA) residency, Melbourne, Australia

2018

Time Museum, Guangzhou, China - Curated by Nikita Yingqian Cai

2016  
Neuer Berliner Kunstverein Residency, Berlin, Germany

2014  
Capacete, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

2012  
Hors les Murs, Institut Français, New York, NY, US

2010  
La Fabrik, grant of the city of Burgdorf, Bern, Switzerland

2009  
Seoul Art Space, Geumcheon, South Korea

2007/2008  
Cité Internationale des Arts, Paris, France

### **Grants and Prizes**

2025  
Short listed for the Her Art Prize, France

2023  
Rosa Schapire Art Prize, Freunde der Kunsthalle, Hamburg, Germany

2018  
Production allowance, Fondation Nationale des Arts Graphique et Plastique, France  
Production allowance, Fondation Rotshild grant, France

2016  
Short listed for The Meurice Prize for Contemporary Art, The Meurice Hotel, France

2013  
Production allowance, Fondation Nationale des Arts Graphique et Plastique, France

2010  
Installation allowance, Drac Ile-de-France, France

2009  
Finalist Audi Talents Awards, Paris, France  
Individual creation allowance, Drac Ile-de-France, France  
Support of the Amis de la Maison Rouge - Fondation Antoine de Galbert, Paris, France

2008  
Exhibition allowance, Département des Affaires Culturelles de la Ville de Paris, France

2006  
Individual creation allowance, Drac Ile-de-France, France

2005

Installation allowance, Drac Ile-de-France, France

Laureate Mulhouse 05 Prize, participation proposed by Henry-Claude Cousseau, Mulhouse, France

2004

Project allowance, Département des Affaires Culturelles de la Ville de Paris, France

### **Public Collections**

Collection Pinault, Paris, France and Venice, Italy

Carnegie Museum of Art (CMOA), Pittsburgh, PA, US

Museum of the Louvre Abu-Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

Commission by the Centre Georges Pompidou for the realization of works for the Children's museum

Queensland Art Gallery, Australia

MNAM - Centre Georges Pompidou Paris, France

Fondation Louis Vuitton, France

Frac Franche-Comté, France

Frac Île de France, France

Frac Midi-Pyrénées, Toulouse, France

Frac Normandie, France

Frac Rhône-Alpes, France

Kadist Foundation, France/US

Fonds Municipal d'Art Contemporain de la Ville de Paris, France

MAC VAL, France

Musée Départemental d'Art Contemporain, Rochechouart, France

Lidice Memorial, Lidice, Czech Republic

Josée and Marc Gensollen, Marseille, France

Winner of the public commission, Conseil Général of Seine Saint Denis, France

Iris and Matthew Strauss, San Diego, CA, US

Vehbi Koc Foundation, Istanbul, Turkey

Sanders, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Pierluigi and Natalina Remotti Foundation, Camogli, Italy

Thibault Poutrel, Paris, France) and London, UK

Public commission for the multimedia library of the city of Poissy, France