

## CURRICULUM VITAE

Matthias Contzen (b. 1964, Aschaffenburg, Germany).  
Lives and works in Lisbon, Portugal.

Based in Portugal since 1998, Matthias Contzen is a multimedia artist who employs marble, sound and light as material. His work is represented in several continents, in both private and public collections, in New York, Germany, France, Luxemburg, Portugal, Sweden, Spain, Brazil, Belgium, Canada, England, China, Switzerland and India. In 2009, Contzen founded *SCULPTURE.FACTORY*, a multipurpose center that serves as workshop and art gallery located in Sintra, of which he is artistic director. Contzen is represented by *Loo & Lou Gallery* and *Galerie Dutko*, both in Paris, *Callan Contemporary*, in New Orleans LA, USA and *São Mamede Gallery*, in Lisbon.

## EDUCATION

- 1998 MA in Stone Sculpture from *Mayen/Koblenz Academy*, Germany
- 1995 Object Design Arts and Crafts Guild, *Saar College of Fine Arts*, Saarbrücken, Germany
- 1991 Sculpture Apprenticeship Course, *Chamber of Handicrafts*, Munich, Germany
- 1987 BA in Sculpture, *European Academy of Fine Art Trier*, Germany

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2015 *Universe*, Galerie Lou & Loo—Haut Marais, Paris, France  
*For You—Mandala*, Galerie Lou & Lou—Georges V, Paris
- 2014 *Planet*, Nuit Blanche of Paris (October 4th)  
Commissioned by Lou & Loo Foundation, Luxembourg
- 2013 *In Beauty We Trust*, *SCULPTURE.FACTORY*, Sintra, Portugal
- 2012 *My Pocket Universe*, Cidadela Art District, Cascais, Portugal
- 2010 *Berliner Liste*, International Contemporary Art Fair, Berlin, Germany
- 2009 *Além do Real*, Galeria São Mamede, Lisbon, Portugal
- 2006 *Retrospectiva*, Museu da Pedra, Cantanhede, Portugal  
*Objectos de Memória*, São Mamede Gallery, Lisbon
- 2005 *Recent Works*, Galeria Municipal Vila Franca de Xira, Portugal
- 2001 *Evoluções*, Galeria Art Konstant, Lisbon  
*Contzentração*, Cascais Culture Centre, Cascais
- 2000 *Recent Works*, Bank of Portugal, Lisbon
- 1999 *Pedra Viva*, Fábrica das Artes, Torres Vedras, Portugal

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 *XIIth Triennale-India*, New Delhi
- 2018 *Inaugural Exhibition*, Town Museum, Cascais  
*Paris Art Fair*, Grand Palais Paris. In partnership with Loo & Lou Gallery  
*PAD, Paris Art and Design Fair*, Paris. In partnership with Gallery Dutko  
*Collect*, Saatchi Gallery, London. In partnership with Gallery Dutko
- 2017 *ArtMiami*, Callan Contemporary, Miami, USA
- 2016 *ScoopMiami*, Callan Contemporary, Miami  
*BRAFA Art Fair*, Galerie Dutko, Brussels, Belgium
- 2015 *BRAFA Art Fair*, Galerie Dutko  
*Ombres & Lumières*, Galerie Dutko Bonaparte, Paris

- 2014 *Infiniment Art*, Galerie Dutko Bonaparte, Paris  
*The Essence of Human Being*, Batalha Monastery, Batalha, Portugal  
*Art Breda*, Continuum Gallery, Breda, The Netherlands
- 2013 Uttarayan Art Foundation II International Sculpture Symposium, Boroda, India  
*Art.Fair Cologne*, Continuum Gallery, Köln, Germany  
*In the Heat of the Night*, Continuum Gallery, Königswinter, Germany
- 2012 *Reloaded*, Sculpture.Factory, Sintra  
*Escultura de Matthias Contzen, Rui Matos e Vitor Ribeiro*, Galeria São Mamede, Lisbon  
*Colectiva de Escultura*, Centro Cultural São Lourenço, Almancil, Portugal
- 2011 *Welcome to my Soul*, Art|Form, Estoril, Portugal  
*1st International Sculpture Exposition*, Sculpture.Factory, Sintra
- 2010 *Artelisboa 10*, Galeria São Mamede, Lisbon  
*Colectiva de Verão*, Centro Cultural São Lourenço, Almancil  
*Escultura de Ar Livre'10*, Amadora, Portugal  
*Sculpture Exposition*, Continuum Gallery, Königswinter
- 2009 *ARTEMAR 2009*, Denis Oppenheim International Public Sculpture Award, Estoril  
*ArteLivre* (public art exhibition), Town Library, Amadora, Portugal
- 2008 *ARTEMAR 2008*, International Sculpture Exhibition, Estoril  
*Exposição Colectiva*, Galeria São Mamede, Porto  
*Escultura Livre*, Loures City Museum, Loures, Portugal  
*Acervo, works from the Centro Cultural São Lourenço Collection*, Almancil
- 2007 *Exposição Colectiva*, Galeria São Mamede, Porto and Lisbon  
*ARTE LISBOA International Contemporary Art Fair*, Centro de Congressos de Lisboa, Lisbon  
*VI Prémio Amadeo de Souza-Cardoso*, Amarante, Portugal
- 2007 *III EMAAR International Sculpture Symposium*, Dubai, United Arab Emirates  
*II International Sculpture Symposium*, Paço de Mariña, La Coruña, Spain
- 2006 *ARTE LISBOA International Contemporary Art Fair*, Lisbon
- 2006 *Lapidea VIII*, International Sculpture Symposium, Mayen, Germany
- 2005 *I International Stone Sculpture Symposium Ontario*, Toronto, Canada
- 2004 *IV Simpósio Internacional de Escultura*, Museu da Pedra de Cantanhede, Portugal  
*SINEP 2004*, Câmara de Lobos, Funchal, Portugal
- 2003 *II Simpósio Internacional de Escultura*, Sernancelhe, Portugal
- 2002 *II Encontro de Escultura em Pedra*, Mafra, Portugal
- 2001 *I Simpósio de Escultura*, S. João da Madeira, Portugal
- 1999 *I Simpósio Internacional de Escultura*, Cantanhede  
*I Simpósio Internacional de Escultura*, Viseu, Portugal
- 2005 *ArteEstoril*, Seteais Palace, Sintra, Portugal  
*Made in Portugal*, Groeneveld Sculpture Park, Almelo, Netherlands  
*V Prémio Amadeo de Souza-Cardoso*, Amarante
- 2004 *Objectos de Memória*, Galeria São Mamede, Lisbon  
*International Sculpture Exhibition*, Echo Research Institute, Toronto, Canada  
*Exposição Colectiva*, Galeria Domus Varius, Lisbon  
*ArteEstoril*, Galeria São Mamede, Lisbon  
*Colectiva de Escultura*, Casa da Cultura, Funchal  
*Recent Works by International Artists*, Valley Art Gallery, Toronto
- 2003 *Toyamura International Sculpture Biennale*, Hokkaido, Japan  
*IV Prémio Amadeo de Souza-Cardoso*, Amarante  
*III Prémio de Escultura City Desk*, Cascais  
*ArteEstoril*, Centro de Congressos, Estoril  
*Sculpture Park*, ISCAC, Coimbra  
*Exposição Colectiva*, Galeria Valbon, Lisbon

- Colectiva de Escultura*, Galeria São Mamede, Lisbon  
*Porto Arte*, EXPONOR, Porto  
*Sintra Arte Pública II*, Sintra, Portugal
- 2002 *O Voo das Pedras*, Domus Varius Gallery, Lisbon  
*II Sculpture Award "City Desk"*, Cascais Culture Centre  
*Colectiva de Escultura*, Espaço Ilimitado Gallery, Porto  
*Sintra Arte Pública I*, Sintra  
*Colectiva de Artistas*, International Sculpture Centre, Sintra
- 2001 *Maus-Hábitos Inaugural Show*, Maus-Hábitos Gallery, Porto  
*Di-Visões*, Espaço T Gallery, *Porto 2001 Capital Europeia da Cultura*, Porto  
*Arte Santander*, Santander, Spain  
*Colectiva de Escultura*, Fábrica das Artes, Torres Vedras, Portugal
- 2000 *Erótica 2000*, Fábrica das Artes, Torres Vedras  
*ArtHouse*, Temporary Gallery, Cascais  
*1st Sculpture Exhibition*, Casa da Guia, Cascais  
*Sculpture Works*, Amadora-Sintra Hospital, Amadora, Portugal
- 1999 Raquel Prates Gallery, Cascais  
1987 *Graduation Show*, European Academy of Fine Art Trier, Germany

#### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

- 2016 "Light of Humanity," Changsha University, Changsha, China  
2013 "Match Box Universe," Uttarayan Art Foundation, Boroda, India

#### **AWARDS**

- 2014 1st Sculpture Award, *VIII VERA World Fine Art Festival*, Lisbon, Portugal  
2008 Acquisition Award, *ARTEMAR ESTORIL*, International Sculpture Exhibition, Portugal  
2007 Nomination, *VI Prémio Amadeo de Sousa Cardoso*, Portugal  
2006 Lapidea VIII, International Sculpture Symposium, Germany  
2005 Nomination, *V Prémio Amadeo de Sousa Cardoso*, Portugal  
2003 Nomination, *Toyamura International Sculpture Biennial*, Japan  
Nomination, *IV Prémio Amadeo de Sousa Cardoso*, Portugal  
2002 1st Sculpture Award, *II Sculpture Award City Desk*, Portugal  
1995 3rd Object Design Award, *International Design Competition "Cultures & Matières"*, Sarrbruecken, Germany and Nancy, France

#### **COMISSIONS**

- 2016 *Light of Humanity*, Changsha Sculpture Park, Changsha, China  
2007 *III EMAAR International Sculpture Symposium*, Dubai, United Arab Emirates  
*II International Sculpture Symposium*, Paço de Mariña, La Coruña, Spain  
2006 *ArteLisboa International Contemporary Art Fair*, Lisbon, Portugal  
2005 *I International Stone Sculpture Symposium Ontario*, Toronto, Canada  
2004 IV Simpósio Internacional de Escultura de Cantanhede  
SINEP 2004, Ilha da Madeira  
2003 II Simpósio Internacional de Escultura de Sernancelhe  
2002 II Encontro de Escultura em Pedra, Mafra  
2001 I Simpósio de Escultura de S. João da Madeira  
1999 I Simpósio Internacional de Escultura de Cantanhede  
I Simpósio Internacional de Escultura de Viseu

## **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

*Changsha Sculpture Park*, Changsha, China  
*Hurun Report*, Shanghai, China  
*Echo Research Institute*, Toronto, Canada  
*Burj Khalifa, Emaar Art Projects*, Dubai, United Emirates  
*Uttarayan Art Foundation*, Baroda, India  
*La Corunha Royal Palace*, La Corunha, Spain  
*Lapidea Sculpture Park*, Mayen, Germany  
*Volksbank Rhein Ahr Eifel*, Mayen  
Banco de Portugal, Lisbon  
Fundação António Prates, Lisbon  
Universidade Autónoma de Lisboa, Lisbon  
Amadora-Sintra Hospital, Lisbon  
Vila de Cascais, Cascais  
Farol Design Hotel, Cascais  
Centro Cultural de Cascais, Cascais  
Fundação Dom Luís I, Cascais  
Estoril Congress Centre, Estoril  
Quinta do Pomar, Funchal, Madeira  
Câmara Municipal de Câmara de Lobos, Madeira  
*Museu da Pedra*, Cantanhede, Portugal  
Oliveira de Frades, Portugal  
Hilton Vilamoura, Vilamoura, Portugal

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