



Marie Lepetit

Born in 1959 in France

French artist Marie Lepetit lives and works Paris. In her canvas and drawings of sometimes-monumental size, unrolling from the walls onto the ground, she creates a multitude of dots forming interlaced lines and circles. They shape vibrant constellations of countless shades of black where subtle color variations sometimes arise. They can suggest singular and intense starry nights, a cartographic fantasy or the orbital trajectory of particles.

The artist commits herself to an assiduous studio practice. Her precise and infinitely repeated gestures produce powerful works on paper. Among them, a series of charcoal drawings on long paper rolls are a privileged territory for the bodily immersion of the artist. Such physical involvement is supported by an evident intensity of focus, a form of consistency and long, controlled breath. This breathing through the process seems to bring a subtle and soft luminosity into each work.

Marie Lepetit's work has been presented in many festivals, galleries and art spaces in France and abroad. Her works are part of public collections such as those of Cité des sciences et de l'Industrie in Paris, the Regional Contemporary Art Fund (Frac) of Picardie and the Fine Arts museum in Tourcoing.

Exhibitions (selection)

- 2015:** Festival Visages, Martigny, Switzerland
Sleepwalking Nights and Wide-Awake Days, Galerie E.G.P, Paris
- 2014:** Spiral hall, Tokyo
TemporaryItems, séquence I et II, Le 204, Paris
- 2013:** *Cruel Sporting*, URDLA, centre international estampe et livre, Villeurbanne
Timbre, Espace, Mouvement, Galerie Briobox, Paris
- 2010:** *Au bout de la main*, Nuit Blanche, galerie Les Douches, Paris
- 2009:** *By The Book*, La Fábrica Braço de Prata, Lisbon

Murals and public collections

- 2013:** Cité des sciences et de l'Industrie, bureaux salle basse
- 2012:** Cité des sciences et de l'industrie, *Boson de Higgs*, Paris
- 2010:** Artothèque du lot
- 2007:** *Mural VI, Point de vue image du monde*, École des Beaux-Arts de Rouen
- 2006:** *Mural V, Voir en Peinture two*, La Générale, Paris
- 1991:** FRAC Picardie
- 1984:** FRAC+2, FRAC Picardie
- 1983:** Musée des Beaux-Arts, Tourcoing