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Press release

Four artists have been nominated for

THE 2011 MARCEL DUCHAMP PRIZE

Damien CABANES, Mircea CANTOR,

Guillaume LEBLON, Samuel ROUSSEAU.

Created by the ADIAF in 2000, in the aim of raising the international profile of the French art scene, every year the Marcel Duchamp Prize is awarded to a French artist or artist residing in France and working in the field of the plastic and visual arts. Its ambition is to gather together the most innovative artists of their generation. Organized in partnership with the Centre Pompidou and the FIAC, the MARCEL DUCHAMP Prize is today one of the most prestigious awards on the international scene. On the 7th of April at ARTCURIAL, Mr. Gilles Fuchs, the President of the ADIAF - Association for the International Diffusion of French Art - announced the names of the four artists selected for the 2011 Marcel Duchamp Prize.

On the occasion of the 11th edition of the prize, the artists selected for the Marcel Duchamp Prize are to be given a new showcase at the **LaM** (Lille Metropolitan Museum of Modern, Contemporary and Primitive Art) which will be opening its doors to them for a two month show as from the 12th of July. Located at the crossroads between London, Paris and Brussels, near to Amsterdam and Cologne, the LaM will offer them even greater visibility and significant exposure to Northern Europe. As usual, they will be present at the **FIAC** where an exhibition of the nominated artists is planned at the Grand Palais. The winner will be chosen by an international jury on the 22nd of October next. He will be invited by the **CENTRE POMPIDOU**, the ADIAF's partner of reference, to present a solo show during the summer of 2012. The ADIAF will award him a financial endowment of 35 000 Euros.

The artists for the 2011 Marcel Duchamp Prize

Damien CABANES, born in 1959, lives and works in Paris
Sculpture and Painting – Gallery Eric Dupont, Paris
<http://www.moreeuw.com/histoire-art/damien-cabanes-biographie.htm>

Mircea CANTOR, born in 1977, lives and works « in earth »
Installation – Gallery Yvon Lambert, Paris – New-York
<http://www.mirceacantor.ro/>

Guillaume LEBLON, born in 1971, lives and works in Paris
Installation – Gallery Jocelyn Wolff, Paris
<http://guillaumeleblon.com/>

Samuel ROUSSEAU, born in 1971, lives and works in Grenoble
Video, installation – Gallery Aeroplastics, Brussels - Gallery Guy Bartschi, Geneva
<http://rousseau.aeroplastics.net/>

Jury of the 2011 Marcel Duchamp Prize

Carolyn Christov Bakargiev (United States, Italy), Curator and Critic,
Artistic Director of Documenta 13 at Kassel (2012)

Rosa de La Cruz (United States), Collector

Gilles Fuchs (France), President of the ADIAF, Collector

Zoe Gray (Netherlands), Art commissioner at the Witte de With in
Rotterdam

Jacqueline Matisse-Monnier (France, United States), Artist

Alfred Pacquement (France), Director of the Musée national d'art
moderne, Centre Pompidou

Olympio da Veiga Pereira (Brazil), Collector

Upcoming events of the Marcel Duchamp Prize

Until 28th of August, 2011 at the MORI Museum -TOKYO

FRENCH WINDOW, a look at French contemporary art through 27 artists of the Marcel Duchamp Prize

12th July to 11th September at the LaM – LILLE/VILLENEUVE D’ASC

Exhibition of the 4 artists nominated for the 11th prize.

21st September 2011 to 9th January 2012 at the CENTRE POMPIDOU-PARIS

Exhibition by Cyprien Gaillard, winner of the 2010 MARCEL DUCHAMP PRIZE

20th to 23rd October at the FIAC - PARIS

Exhibition of the 4 artists nominated for the 11th edition of the Prize

Announcement of the winner on the 22nd October at the Grand Palais

2012 at the CENTRE POMPIDOU

Exhibition of the winner of the 2011 Marcel Duchamp Prize

Projects: Exhibitions at the **MOCA in Seoul**, South Korea (second half of 2011) and the **KunstHalle in Dusseldorf, Germany** (2012).

Winners of the MARCEL DUCHAMP PRIZE: Thomas Hirschhorn (2000-2001), Dominique Gonzalez-Foerster (2002), Mathieu Mercier (2003), Carole Benzaken (2004), Claude Closky (2005), Philippe Mayaux (2006), Tatiana Trouvé (2007), Laurent Grasso (2008), Saâdane Afif (2009), Cyprien Gaillard (2010).

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