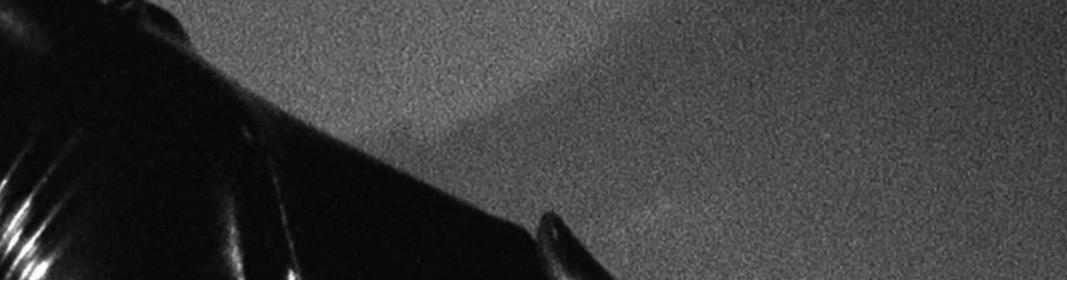
Luiz Roque

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Attracted by the power of image and, in particular, by sensations that stem from the sense of vision, Luiz Roque's work crosses different territories, such as the genre of science fiction, the legacy of Modernism, pop-culture and queer bio-politics, in order to understand the propose ingenious and visually sensual narratives. The plasticity of the allegories he uses in his films takes us through the current conflict between technological advancement and contemporary micro and macro power relations.

Roque's works inhabit a space between cinema, art and critical theory; all within the scope of political dispute that is both real and imaginary. Furthermore, his works comment on the dissociative conditions of being: between the latency of life and respective bureaucratic definitions. In this sense, his works combine the splendour of science fiction - as a device for the dissemination of hypotheses - with resources from the language of cinema in order to present us with scenarios of social tension and complex public debates.

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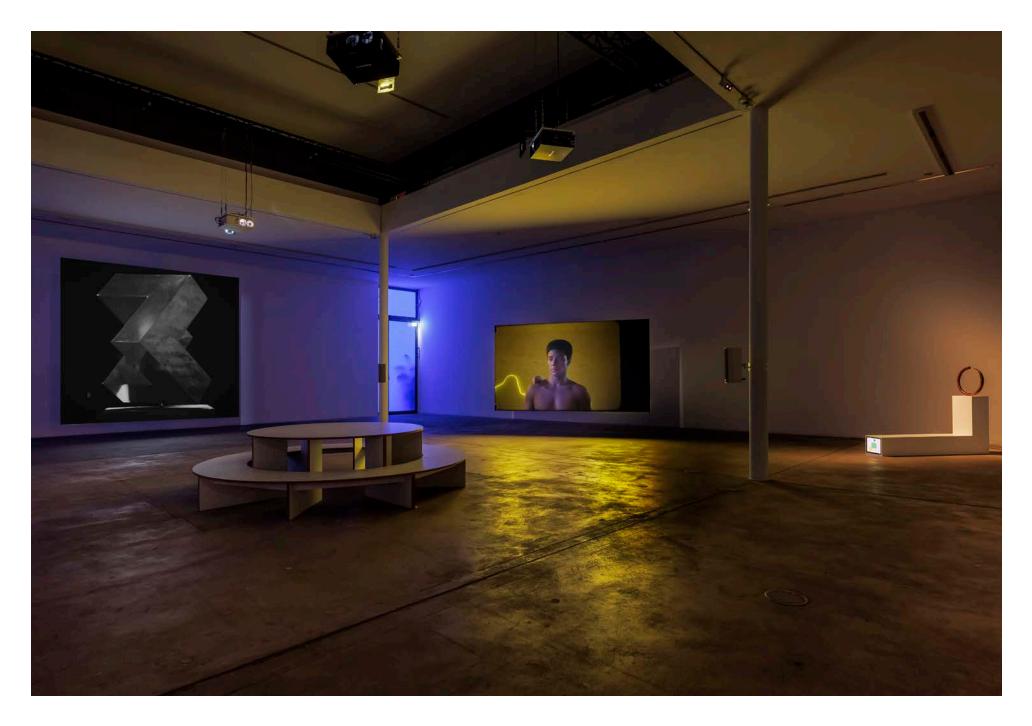
Recent solo exhibitions include: KW Berlin, Berlin (2024); Mendes Wood DM, Brussels (2023); PROA21, Buenos Aires (2022); Mendes Wood DM, São Paulo (2021); Visual Arts Center, Austin (2021); Pivô, São Paulo (2020); CAC Passarelle, Brest (2020); New Museum, New York (2019); Museu de Arte Contemporânea do Rio de Janeiro, Niterói (2018); Tramway, Glasgow (2017).

Additionally, Roque has taken part in group shows such as: 12th Gothenburg Biennial, Gothenburg (2023 & 2024); 59th International Biennale di Venezia, Venice (2022); Museu de Arte Moderna, São Paulo (2019); 1st Riga Biennial, Riga (2018); Centro de Arte Contemporáneo, Quito (2018); Padiglione d'Arte Contemporanea, Milan (2018); Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York (2016); DRAF, London (2015); Kunstalle, Vienna (2014); Zachetta National Gallery of Art, Warsaw (2013); 9th Mercosul Biennial, Porto Alegre (2013).

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS









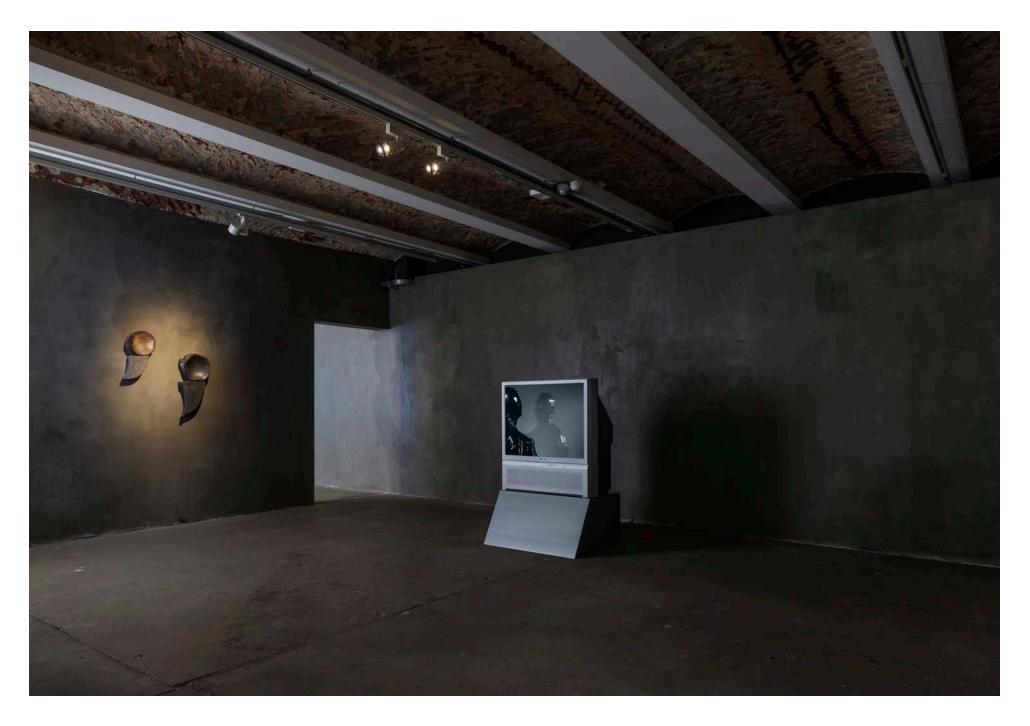
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2023 Mendes Wood DM, Brussels X









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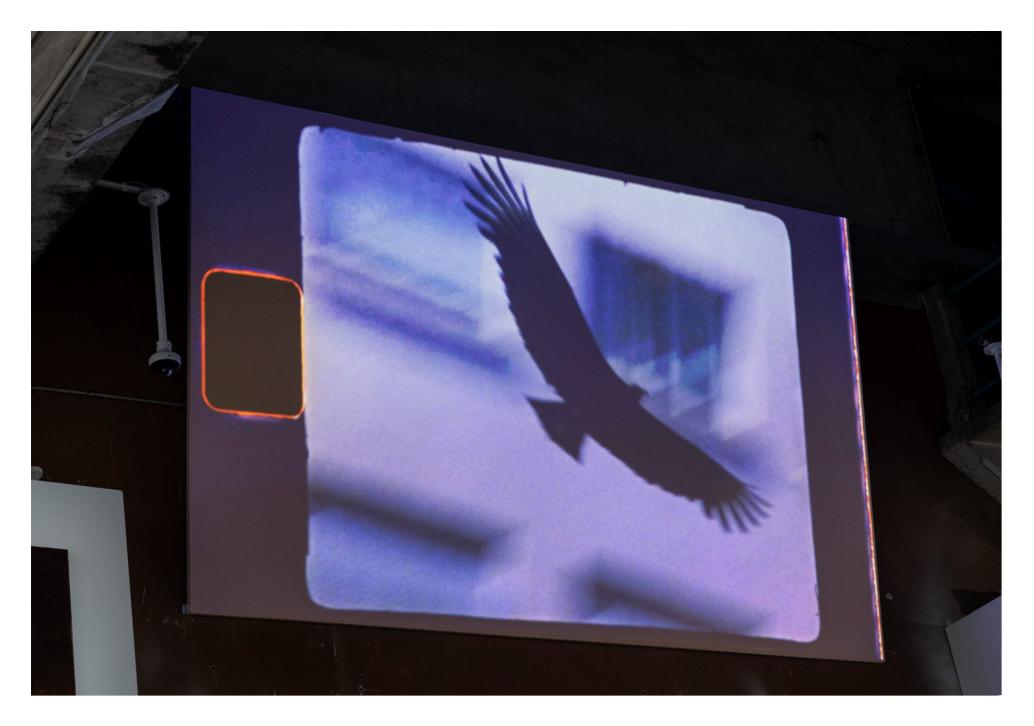










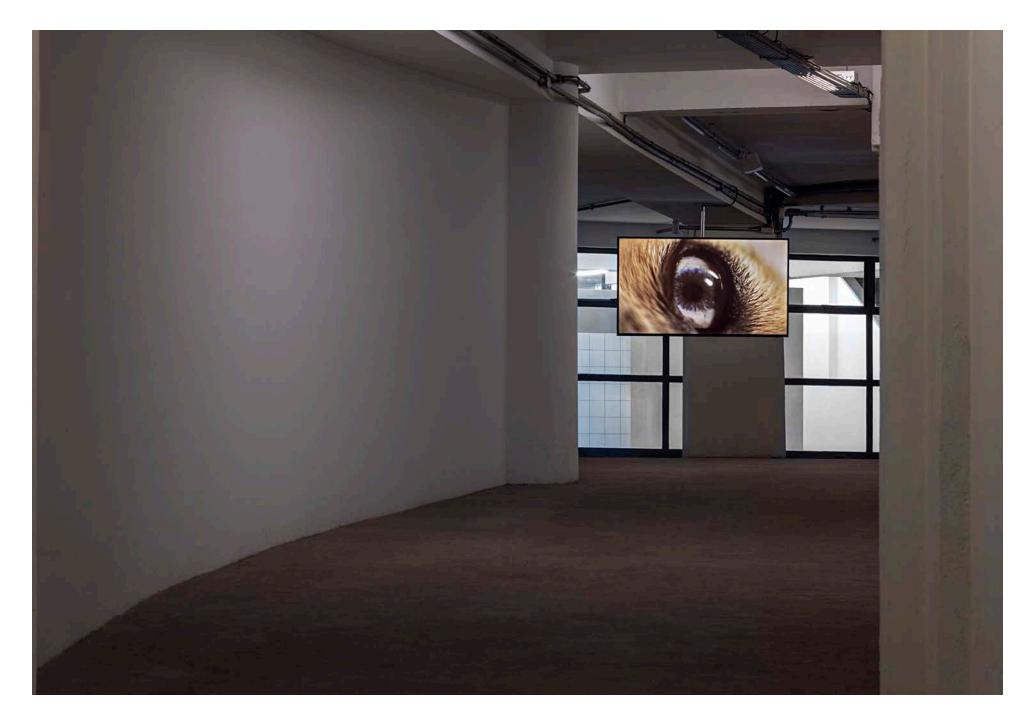


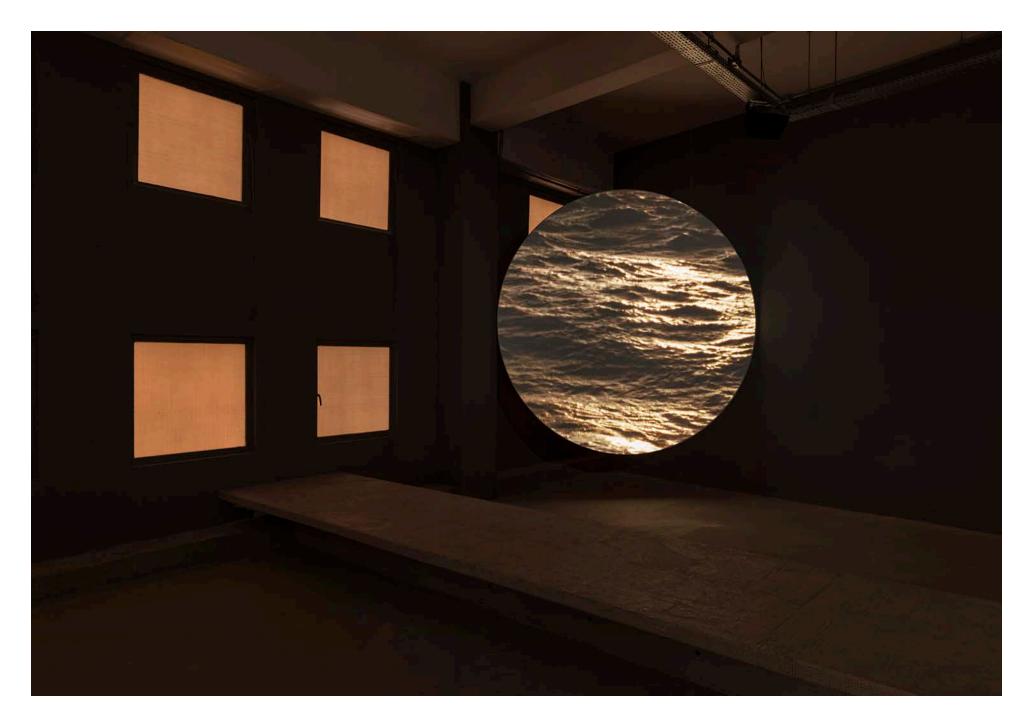




2021 Pivô, São Paulo *República*

Roque is interested in science fiction as a means of reflecting on geopolitical, social and historical issues and to speculate on possible futures. Desire is an important vector of the artist's production. His works have the duration and the rhythm of trailers or video clips and can be presented both at the art gallery or the movie theatre. Particularly interested in the legacy of modernism, Roque relates it to the body in movement and transformation and to pop culture's imagery, using the cinematographic language to build narratives and visual essays in a suspended time. His characters inhabit post-apocalyptic and dystopian scenarios to where the artist brings elements from the history of art and architecture.









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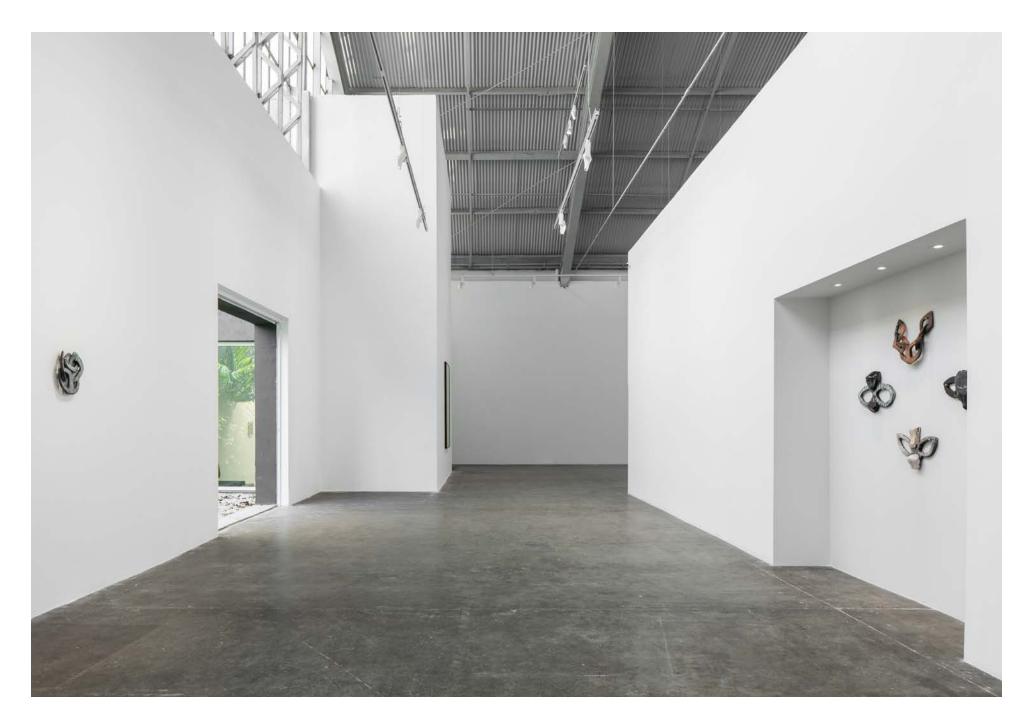
After two decades creating moving images, the few f Roque emerge from clay. The ceramics resemble acces or attached to the body, power objects. Their zoomor worlds or a future where plastic had been replaced by ot stood on classic pedestals but depend on the wall for s cvreated from the merging of separate parts, in approc Roque's use of ceramics makes sense. The first icons, the later would become the celebrities of today, were mole ong time afterwards that hey would be a merciogy of artist's decisio as, therefore, an archeology of ns presented by Luiz es, items to be worn outlines evoke past The sculptures are

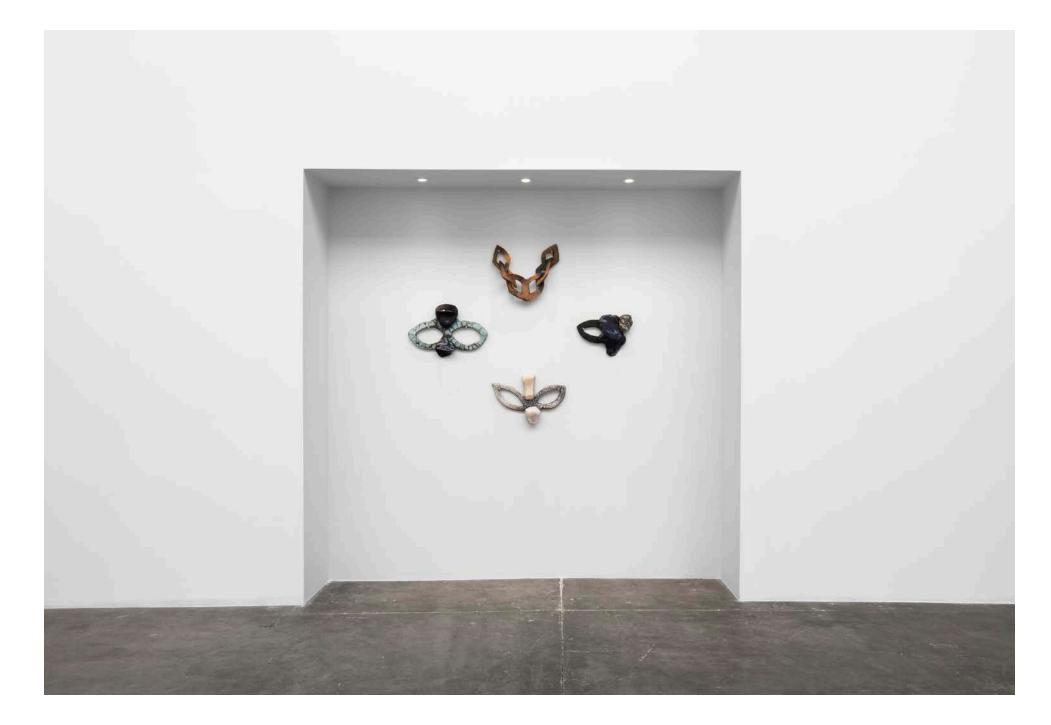




The kingdom of sexuality has become a huge market. The most popular dating app amongst the gay population lends its title to the new series. The pieces are accompanied by two works that investigate sexuality in a more explicit way. Whilst the photogram Cortina [Curtain] is a eulogy to orgasm, República [Republic], a work commissioned by Pivô in partnership with Passerelle Centre d'Art Contemporain, challenges our understanding of pleasure. Employing a documental tone and images captured on video and Super-8, the film revolves around performer Marcinha do Corintho. Marcinha was one of the pioneers of the Atlantic crossing that has taken numerous Brazilian transgender women to Europe. The work is also a homage to the city center of São Paulo and its square República, a gathering point for sex workers. Sexual and gender immigration flows are at the core of the narrative. The round exhibition window is a reference to the 'enchanted circle' that distinguishes between sexual acts according to a hierarchy of value, marking off what is good/healthy/ natural in sex and what is not.1 Those who inhabit the outside limits of this circle are exposed to the spotlight of fashion or the searchlight of police. The subversive implications of style are made at night.









2019 Museu de Arte Contemporânea de Niterói, Niterói *Televisão*

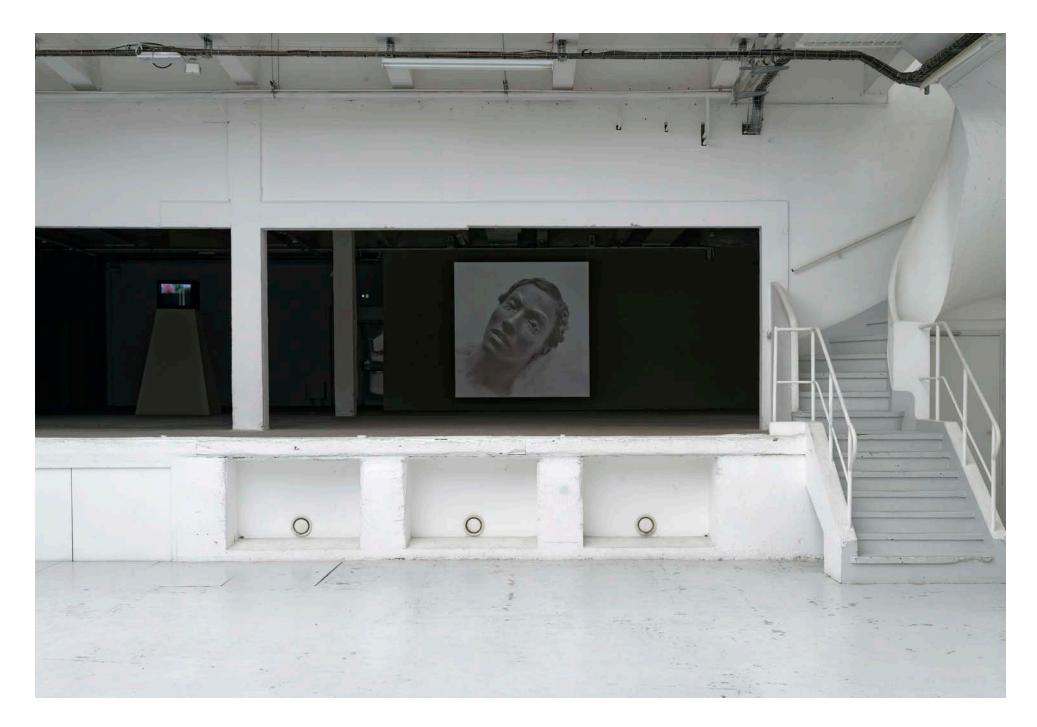
Television is an exhibition of films, videos and a new video- object, by the artist from Rio Grande do Sul, Luiz Roque. It is an anthological exhibition composed of eight works from different moments in the artist's fifteen-year career. The works are short-lived and this small size dialogues with other audiovisual formats such as those seen on television since the 1980s, in addition to a rhythm closer to music videos.

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2020 Passerelle Centre d'Art Contemporain, Brest *República*





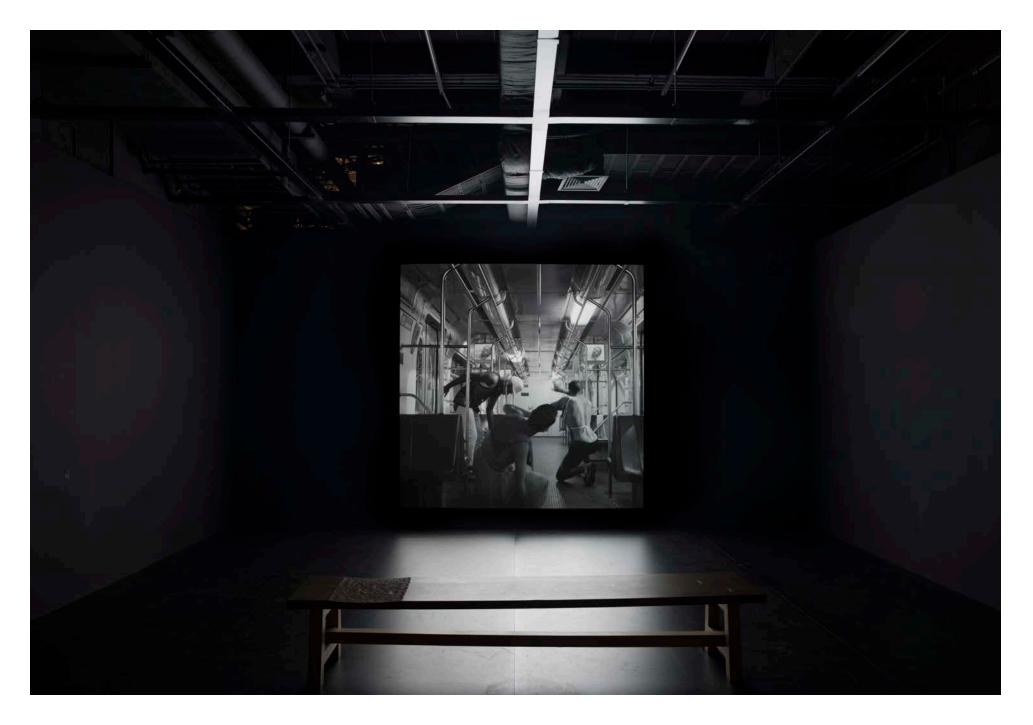




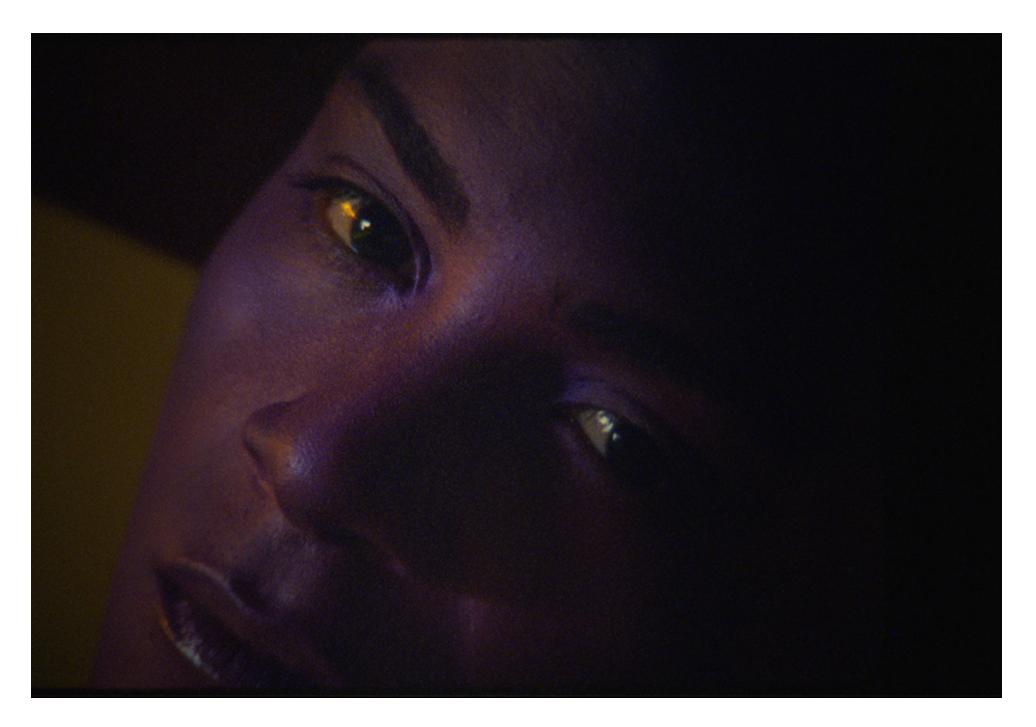


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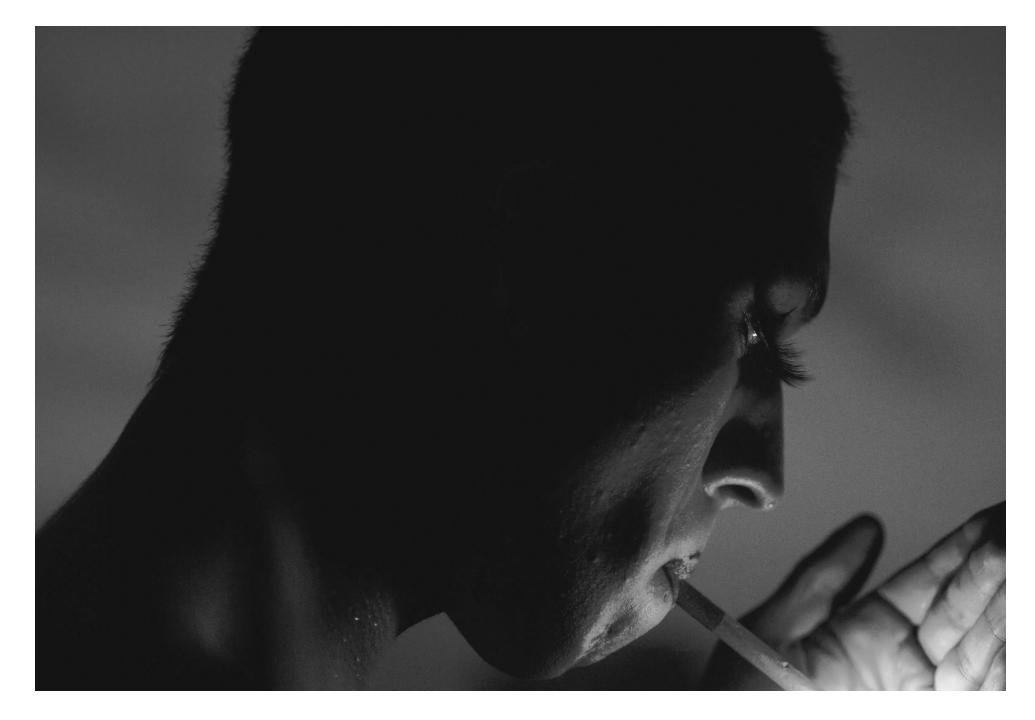
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SELECTED WORKS

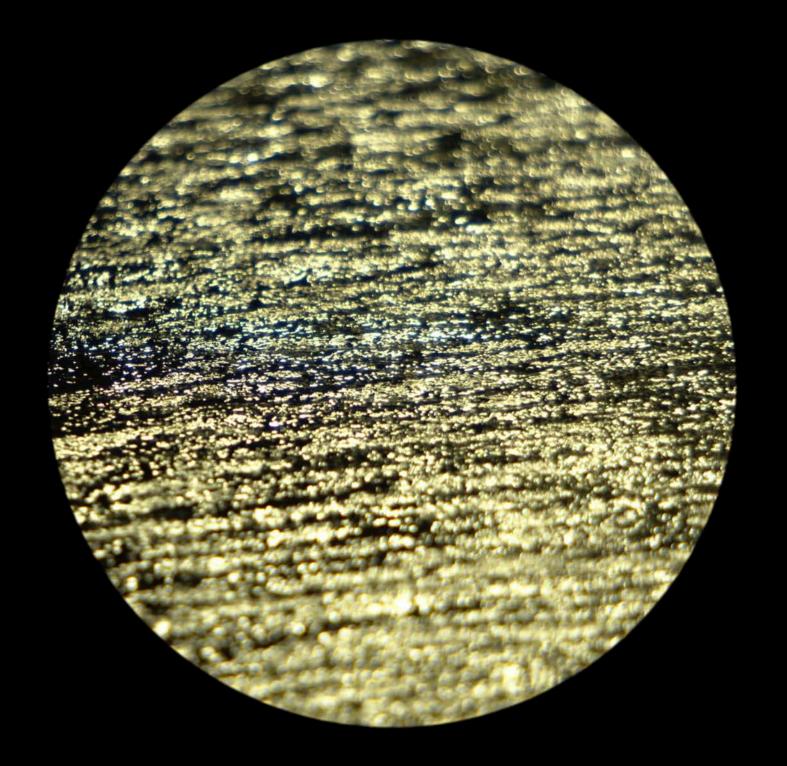


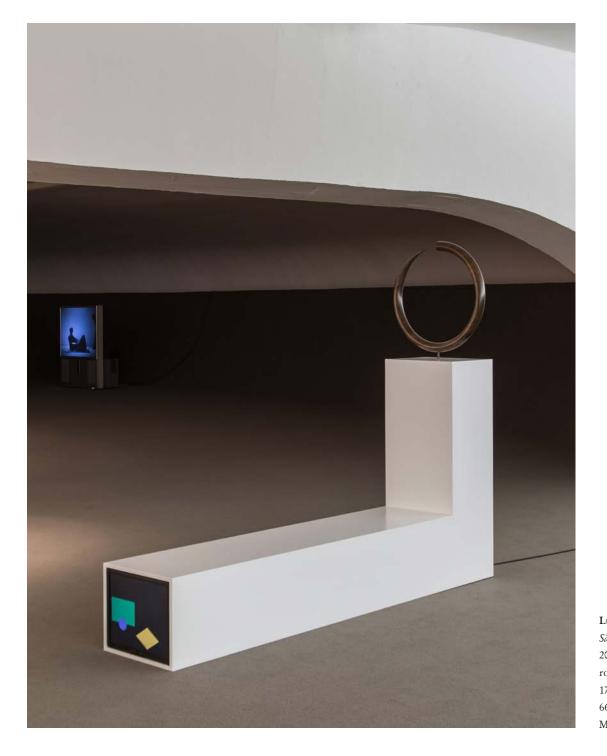






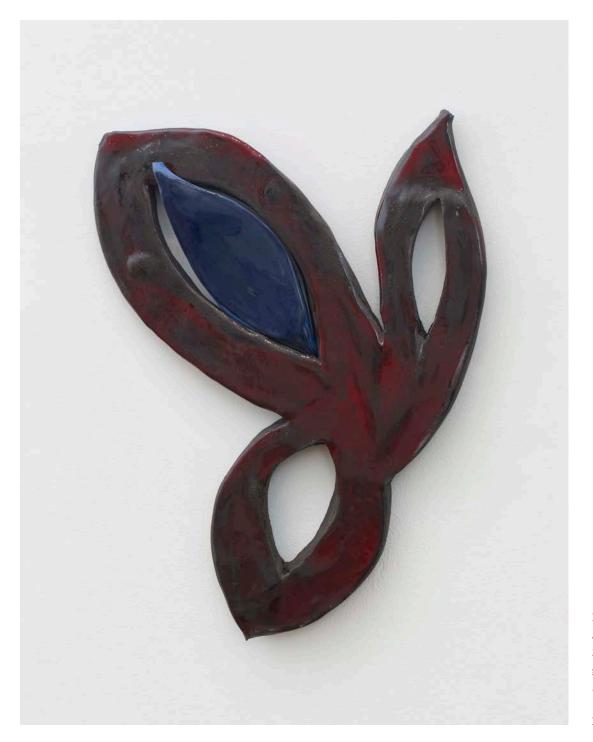






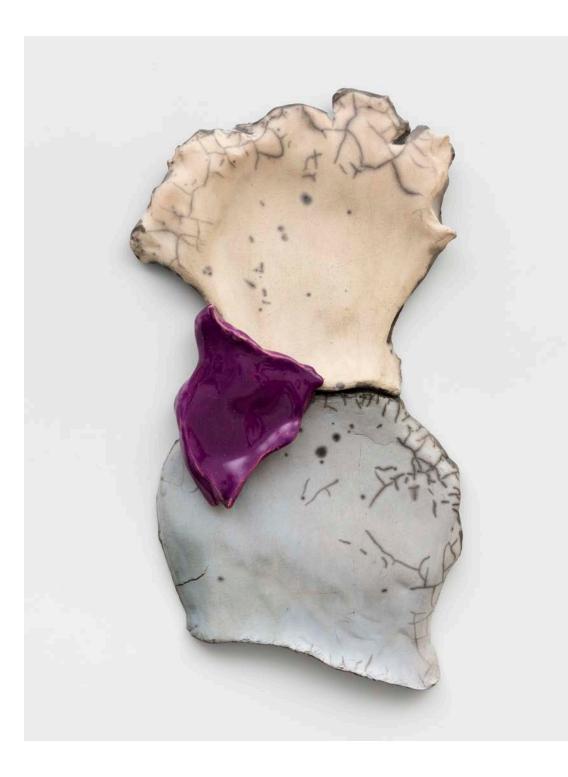
Luiz Roque São Paulo by Night 2018 rosewood scuplture, plywood plinth with 17" monitor and video 170 x 41 x 220 cm 66 78 x 16 1/8 x 86 5/8 in MW.LUR.034





Luiz Roque São Paulo by Night 2023 glazed ceramics 38 x 30 x 3 cm 15 x 11 3/4 x 1 1/8 in MW.LUR.067





Luiz Roque Liver Couture 2024 raku ceramic 48 x 26 x 5 cm 18 7/8 x 10 1/4 x 2 in MW.LUR.090





Luiz Roque Clubber 2023 ceramic 64 x 46 x 8 cm 25 1/4 x 18 1/8 x 3 1/8 in MW.LUR.069





Luiz Roque Clubber 2023 ceramic 64 x 48 x 8 cm 25 1/4 x 18 7/8 x 3 1/8 in MW.LUR.071

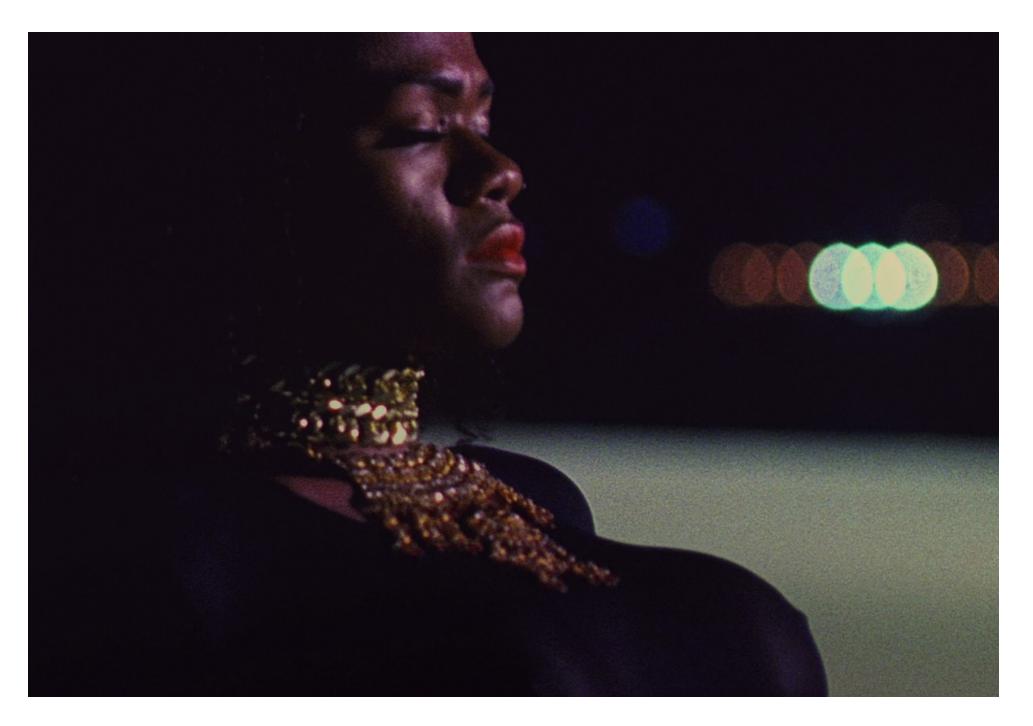




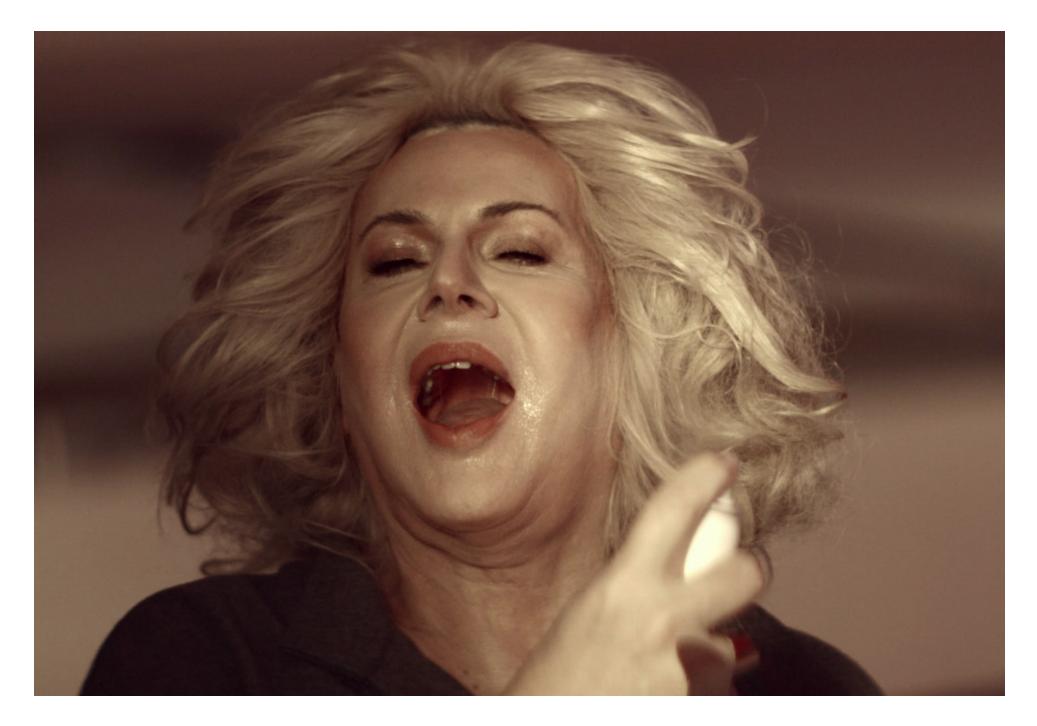
Jewel 2023 ceramic and glazed ceramics 37 x 19 x 8 cm 14 5/8 x 7 1/2 x 3 1/8 in



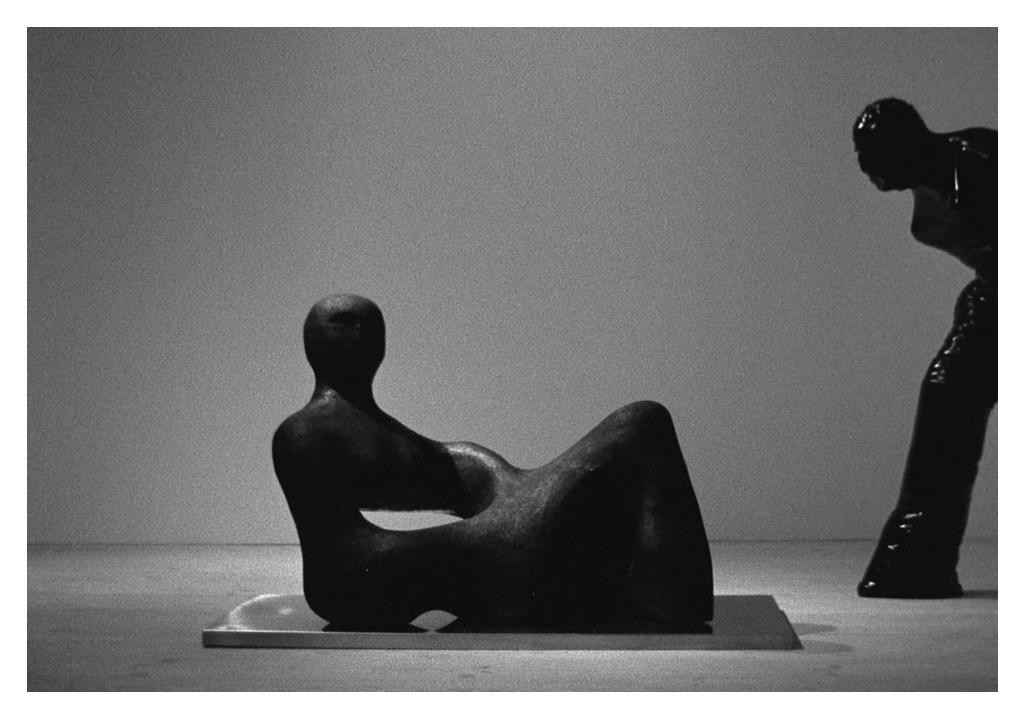






































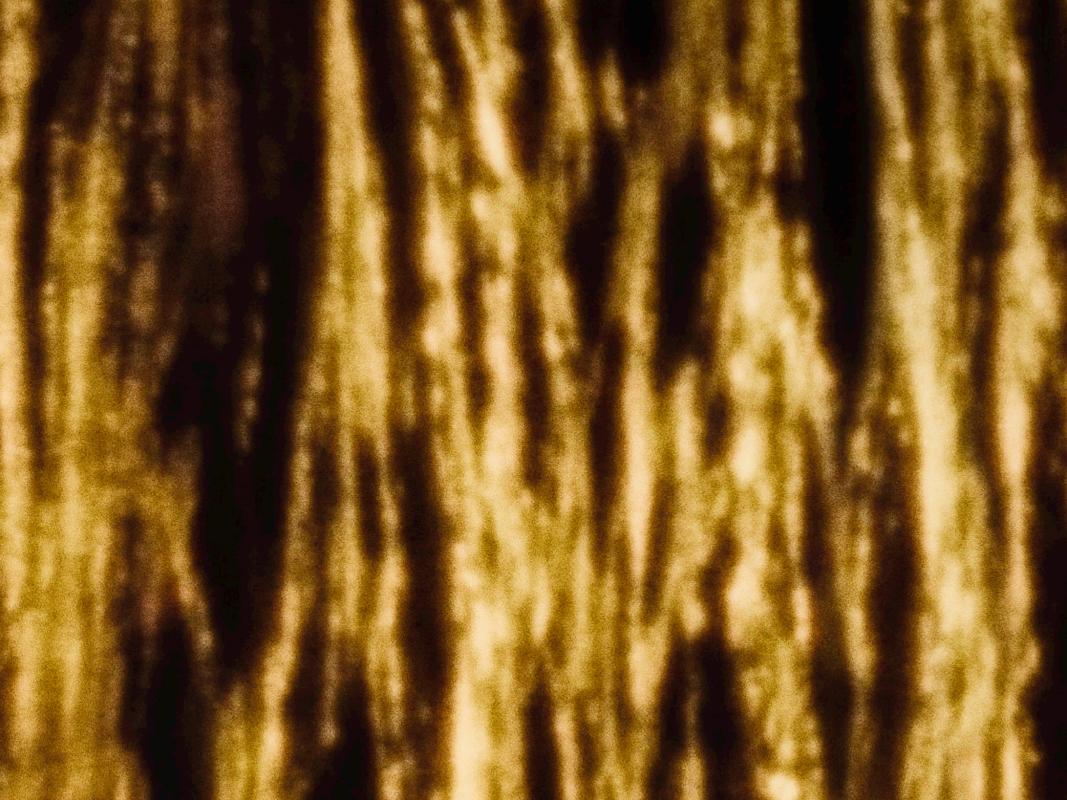
Luiz Roque Ex 2021 mineral pigment printing on paper 40 cm ø 15 3/4 in ø MW.LUR.V.045

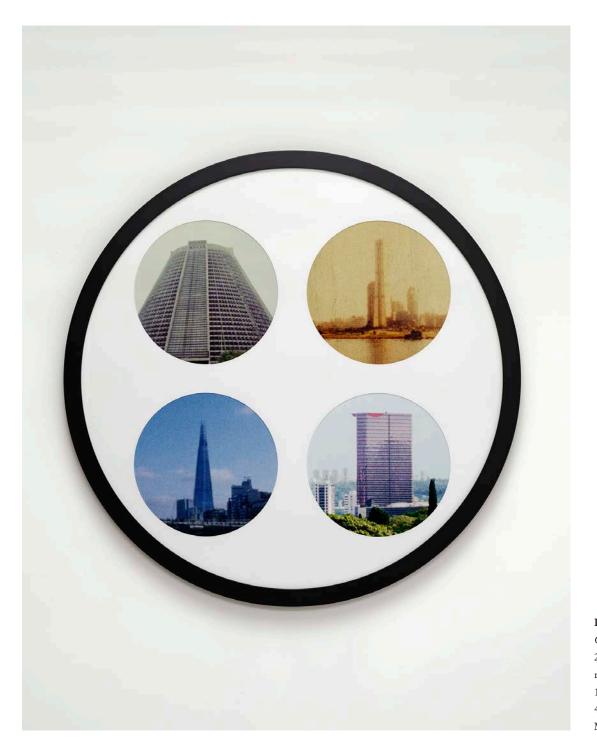




Luiz Roque Brest

2020 mineral pigment printing on paper 176 x 120 cm 69 1/4 x 47 1/4 in MW.LUR.039





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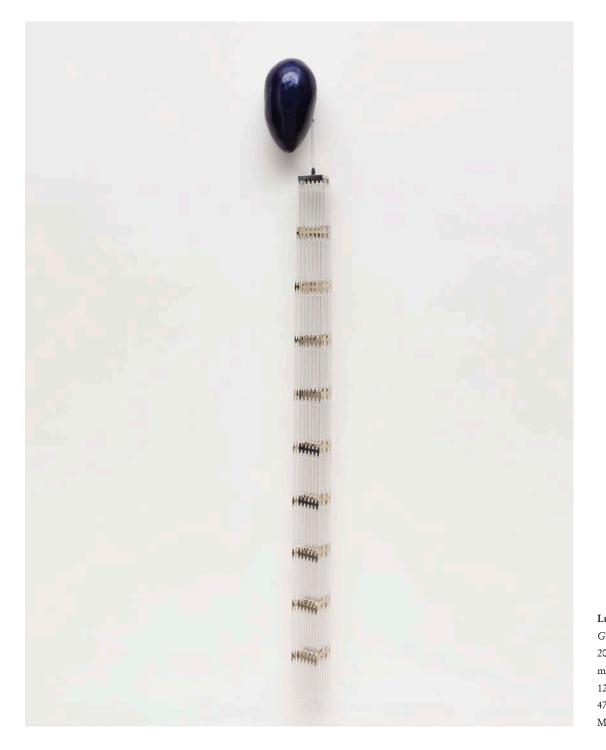
Globo 2020 mineral pigment printing on paper 120 cm ø 47 1/4 in ø MW.LUR.038











Luiz Roque Globo 2020 mineral pigment printing on paper 120 cm ø 47 1/4 in ø MW.LUR.038







When I am interested in people in film, I am particularly fascinated by what they do in terms of performance and entertainment. Even tough there's always a fiction behind the scenes, there's no casting process per se when I'm drafting an idea for a moving-image project. First, I meet the performer, and then comes the acting, which happens according to their performances in the moment. In this way, it's a kind of documentary approach with fantasy. I met most of the people portrayted in my work in the LGBTQI+ scene, either through watching shows and videos, or when they were introduced to me through friends, or friends of friends. I've also met performers with support from certain organizations, as many of my film productions were developed within residency contexts.

- Luiz Roque

Education

2001 MA at Royal College of Art, London, UK 1998 BA at Gerrit Rietveld Academy, Amsterdam, The Netherlands 1997 Michaelis School of Fine Art, Cape Town, South Africa (exchange with Gerrit Rietveld Academy)

Solo Exhibitions

2025 Mendes Wood DM, New York, USA Paradise, TONO Festival, Laboratorio Arte Alameda, Mexico City, Mexico 2024 Estufa, KW Berlin, Berlin, Germany 2023 The Story of Origins, Kunstverein Gartenhaus, Vienna, Austria Vidéodrame: Luiz Roque, CAPC, Bordeaux, France X, Mendes Wood DM Brussels, Belgium 2022 XXI, PROA21, Buenos Aires, Argentina 2021 República, Visual Arts Center, University of Texas, Austin, USA Noite, Mendes Wood DM, São Paulo, Brazil 2020 República, CAC Passerelle, Brest, France República, Pivô, São Paulo, Brazil 2019 Screens Series: Luiz Roque, New Museum, New York, USA 2018 Televisão, Museu de Arte Contemporânea de Niterói, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Luiz Roque and Valentina Liernur), Humanas, Galería Isla Flotante, Buenos Aires, Argentina 2017 HEAVEN, Tramway, Glasgow, UK Hall, Mendes Wood DM, São Paulo, Brazil Anos Modernos, Mendes Wood DM, Brussels, Belgium 2016 Ancestral, Centro Cultural São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil 2015 Atração Fantasma, Sé Galeria, São Paulo, Brazil Modern, White Cubicle Toilet Gallery, London, UK 2014 Canto Escuro: Dois Filmes de Luiz Roque, Museu do Trabalho, Porto Alegre, Brazil 2013

PROJEÇÃO 0 e 1, Bolsa de Arte de Porto Alegre, Porto Alegre, Brazil
The New Monument, Envoyenterprises, New York, USA *O Último Dia*, Phosphorus, São Paulo, Brazil
2011
ANYANG, Seoksu Art Project, Anyang, South Korea
2009 *Luiz Roque Filmes*, Ateliê Subterrânea, Porto Alegre, Brazil
2008 *Temporada de Projetos*, Paço das Artes, São Paulo, Brazil
2004 *Amor, Intervenção Urbana*, Spa das Artes, Recife, Brazil

Group Exhibitions

2025

Les Cops Cinétiques, Fondation Plaza, Geneve, Switzarland Cine Esquema Novo, Cinemateca Paulo Amorim; Museu de Arte Contemporânea do Rio Grande do Sul (MAC RS); and Casa de Cultura Mário Quintana, Porto Alegre, Brazil Tru Noir, Enhorabuena, Madrid, Spain Berührungsdiscounter, Fachhochschule Potsdam, Berlin, Germany 2024 Videobrasil. Needs No Translation: Four Decades of Video and Performance, GES-2 House of Culture, Moscow, Russia NAT GEO, Salta Art Foundation, Munich, Germany The Disagreement; A Theater of Statements, Neuer Kunstverein, Wien, Austria Apreensões, Museu Penitenciário do Estado do Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil forms of the surrounding futures, Kunsthalle Münster, Munster, Germany 2023 El Resto Del Mundo, 5th Montevideo Biennial, Montevideo, Uruguay Let Us Believe in the Beginning of the Cold Season, PORTIKUS, Frankfurt, Germany I see no difference between a handshake and a poem, Mendes Wood DM, Paris, France forms of the surrounding futures, 12th Gothenburg Biennial, Gothenburg, Sweden Linhas Tortas, Mendes Wood DM, São Paulo, Brazil MOMENTUM 12 Together as to gather, Galleri F 15, Norway Watch and Chill season 3, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul, South Korea Kissing Doesn't Kill: Ania Nowak and Guests, Museum of Modern Art in Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland Tono Festival, Mexico City, Mexico Esope reste ici et se repose, Cité Des Arts, Saint-Denis, France Esfíngo Frontal, Mendes Wood DM, São Paulo, Brazil 2022 The Milk of Dreams, 59th International Biennale di Venezia, Venice, Italy Por de trás da retina, Centro Cultural Inclusartiz, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Ópera Citoplasmatica, Museu Oscar Niemeyer, Curitiba, Brazil Animalia ou la vie fantasmée des animaux, CAC 40mcube, Rennes, France

Notes for Tomorrow, TheCube Project Space, Taiwan; Humber Galleries, Canada; Te Uru Waitakere

Contemporary Gallery, New Zeland; Blue Galleries, USA; Marjorie Barrick Museum of Art, USA; and Pera Museum, Turkey 2021 Ninguém teria acreditado, Pinacoteca do Estado de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil Réquiem e vertigem, Galeria Jaqueline Martins, São Paulo, Brazil Notes for Tomorrow, Cantor Fitzgerald Gallery, USA; Contemporary Calgary, Canada; and Sifang Art Museum, China Os Monstros de Babaloo, Fortes D'Aloia e Gabriel, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Glasgow Short Film Festival, Glasgow, UK Male Nudes: um salão de 1800 a 2021, Mendes Wood DM, São Paulo, Brazil Crossing Current, Galerie Nordenhanke, Mexico City, Mexico 2020 I'm from nowhere good, Maison Populaire, Paris, France O Brasil que eu quero, CAC Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland Viaje hacia la luz, Aninat Galería, Santiago, Chile Dance of Urgency, HET HEM, Amsterdam, Netherlands Three's a crowd, BWA Galleries of Contemporary Art, Wroclaw, Poland 2019 Screen City Biennial, Stavanger, Norway Figures de l'animal, CAC Meymac, Meymac, France Perdona que no te crea, Carpintaria, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Novas Aquisições, Museu de Arte Moderna de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil 2018 Everything Was Forever Until It Was No More, 1st Riga Biennial, Riga, Latvia Utopías, Centro de Arte Contemporáneo, Quito, Ecuador Brasile. Il coltello nella carne, Padiglione d'Arte Contemporanea, Milan, Italy MITOMOTIM, Galpão VB, São Paulo, Brazil In The Reading Room of Hell, A plus A, Venice, Italy Trans-forma, Universität für angewandte Kunst, Vienna, Autria Subversão da Forma, Fundação Iberê Camargo, Porto Alegre, Brazil 2017 Bestiário, Centro Cultural São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil NORA, Garage Rotterdam, Netherlands WELT KOMPAKT?, MQ21, Vienna, Austria Unanimous Night Vol2, Contemporary Art Centre, Vilnius, Lithuania Neither., Mendes Wood DM, Brussels, Belgium A Bela e A Fera, Central Galeria, São Paulo, Brazil DEPOIS DO FIM, Fundação Iberê Camargo, Porto Alegre, Brazil Avenida Paulista, MASP, São Paulo, Brazil SESC Videobrasil: RESISTIR, REEXISTIR, SESC, São Paulo, Brazil 2016 Incerteza Viva, 32nd São Paulo Biennial, São Paulo, Brazil The Dance Party, Fundação Ecarta, Porto Alegre, Brazil E de novo montanha, rio, mar, selva, floresta, SESC Palladium, Belo Horizonte, Brazil

TOTALE 19: out of shape, Maschinenhaus, Essen, Germany Mark Leckey: Containers and Their Drivers, Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, USA 2015 Set To Go, Contemporary Art Centre, Vilnius, Lithuania A Mão Negativa, Parque Lage, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil The Violet Crab, David Roberts Art Foundation, London, UK 2014 Singularidades / Anotações, Instituto Itaú Cultural, São Paulo, Brazil The First and Last Freedom, MOT International, London, UK The Brancusi Effect, Kunsthalle Karlplatz, Vienna, Austria Medos Modernos, Instituto Tomie Ohtake, São Paulo, Brazil VERTIGO, SIM Galeria, Curitiba, Brazil La historia la escriben los vencedores, OTR, Madrid, Spain 2013 7th São Tomé & Príncipe Biennial, São Tomé, São Tomé and Príncipe 9th Mercosul Biennial, Porto Alegre, Brazil Amor e Ódio à Lygia Clark, Zacheta National Gallery of Art, Warsaw, Poland SESC Videobrasil, SESC, São Paulo, Brazil Mutatis Mutandis, Largo das Artes, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Filmes e Vídeos de Artistas na Coleção Itaú Cultural, Museu Nacional, Brasília, Brazil 2012 Intuição Et Cetera, Rumos Artes Visuais, Museu de Arte Moderna Aloisio Magalhães, Recife, Brazil Bienal de Imagen en Movimiento, Buenos Aires, Argentina Da Próxima Vez Eu Fazia Tudo Diferente, Pivô, São Paulo, Brazil O Fio do Abismo, Rumos Artes Visuais, Casa das Onze Janelas, Belém, Brazil Performa Paço, Paço das Artes, São Paulo, Brazil Rumos Artes Visuais, Instituto Itaú Cultural, São Paulo, Brazil Futuro do Pretérito, Mendes Wood DM, São Paulo, Brazil 2011 SESC Videobrasil, SESC, São Paulo, Brazil Vanishing Point, Fundação Ecarta, Porto Alegre, Brazil Ano Novo, Galeria Sílvia Cintra+Box4, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 2010 Construction Views: Experimental Film and Video from Brazil, New Museum, New York, USA Silêncios e Sussurros, Fundação Vera Chaves Barcellos, Viamão, Brazil Presence | Absence, Center for Contemporary Arts, Santa Fé, USA Convivência Espacial, Fundação Ecarta, Porto Alegre, Brazil Abre-Alas 6, A Gentil Carioca, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 2009 Desgaste, Ateliê397, São Paulo, Brazil LÚCIDA, 27e Festival International du Film sur Lart, MAC, Montreal, Canada 2007 12e BIENNIALE DE L'IMAGE EN MOUVEMENT, CIC, Geneva, Switzerland Video Links Brasil: An Anthology of Brazilian Video Art, 1981-2005, Tate Modern, London, UK

LÚCIDA: un programa sobre el videoarte en latinoamerica, Canal (à) Museo de Arte Moderno de Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires, Argentina
2007
9º Salão Victor Meirelles, Museu de Arte de Santa Catarina, Florianópolis, Brazil
Offside Image, 25FPS, Zagreb, Croatia
2005
Território, Museu de Arte Contemporânea da Universidade de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil
Mapeamento, Museu de Arte Contemporânea do Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, Brazil
2004
Contemporão, Paço Municipal, Porto Alegre, Brazil
Cinema Digital, Fundação Joaquim Nabuco, Recife, Brazil
18. Salão do Jovem Artista, MARGS, Porto Alegre, Brazil
2003
The Americas Society As A Satellite, The Americas Society, New York, USA

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