

MARUANI MERCIER

KATE GOTTGENS

Born 1965, Durban, South Africa.
Lives and works in Cape Town, South Africa.

EDUCATION

1987 Bachelor of Fine Art Degree (BA), Michaelis School of Fine Art, University of Cape Town (UCT), Cape Town, South Africa.

SOLO AND TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *The Blue Of Distance*, Huxley-Palour Gallery, London, UK.
Darkening Dusk, Maruani Mercier Gallery, Knokke, Belgium.
Kate Gottgens and Wallen Mapondera, Art Basel Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China
- 2024 *Unknown Lover*, The Armory Show (SMAC Gallery), Javits Center, New York, USA.
Her Fine Blades, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2023 *To The Brink*, Art Brussels (SMAC Gallery), Brussels Expo, Brussels, Belgium.
A String of Signs, Huxley-Palour Gallery, London, UK.
- 2022 *The Swimmer*, SMAC Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
Whispering of Ghosts, Boschendal Norval Art Gallery, Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- 2020 *Skyglow on Mars Black*, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
Artist Room, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2019 *Untitled*, Art (SMAC Gallery), Miami Beach, Miami, USA.
- 2018 *Cold Cuts*, Sydney Contemporary (SMAC Gallery), Sydney, Australia.
Hermanus Fynarts Festival, FynArt Gallery, Hermanus, South Africa.
- 2017 *Tired from Smiling*, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
The Meek, The Vault -The Silo Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2016 *Famine*, SMAC Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
- 2015 *The Rising Sea*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art (NUNC), Antwerp, Belgium.
Infinite Loop, SMAC Gallery, Stellenbosch, South Africa.

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- 2014 *Savage Nature*, Espacio Liquido, Gijon, Spain.
2013 *Malice Aforethought*, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2010 *Merry Hell and the Dreambody*, João Ferreira Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2009 *Asleep Inside You*, João Ferreira Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2007 *Little Deaths*, University of Cape Town (UCT) Irma Stern Museum, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2004 *Groundwork*, Knysna Fine Art, Knysna, South Africa.
- 2000 *Symbols of the Self*, University of Cape Town (UCT) Irma Stern Museum, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 1993 *Modern Wonders*, Everard Read, Johannesburg, South Africa.

GROUP EXHIBITIONS (SELECTED)

- 2025 *Echoes of Her*, Maruani Mercier, Brussels, Belgium
New Look: Contemporary Female Painting, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa
- 2024 *Licked by the waves, New Bathers in Art*, Museum More, Gorssel, Netherlands
- 2023 *Beach*, curated by Danny Moynihan, Mier Gallery, New York Soho & Tribeca, New York, USA
Tales for a Stranger, Curated by Azu Nwagbogu, The Warehouse by Maruani Mercier, Zaventem, Belgium.
Back in Town, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2022 *Naughty Aughties*, SMAC Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
Inner Landscapes, Bloom Galerie, Geneva, Switzerland.
FynArts Hermanus, FynArts Gallery, Hermanus, South Africa.
- 2021 *Weekend Special*, Cape Town Art Weekend, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
'I have made a place', Norval Foundation, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2020 *A Show of Solidarity*, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2019 *That Was Then*, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
Ampersand Foundation Award 21 Years Celebration Exhibition, University of Johannesburg Art Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
The Suitcase Show, in collaboration with collaborative exhibition with Galleria Massimo Minini,

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SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.

- 2018 *Wish You Were Here*, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
Bathing, curated by Brian Shure, Planthouse Gallery, New York City, USA.
- 2017 *X: Part III*, SMAC Gallery, Stellenbosch, South Africa.
X: Part II, SMAC Gallery, Stellenbosch, South Africa.
X: Part I, SMAC Gallery, Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- 2016 *Summer Show '16*, SMAC Gallery, Stellenbosch, South Africa.
UPSTART/STARTUP, SMAC Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
- 2014 100 Painters of Tomorrow, One Art Space, New York City, USA.
In Search of Imaginary World, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art (NUNC), Antwerp, Belgium.
PAN Amsterdam (National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art - NUNC),
RAI Amsterdam Convention Centre, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
Viewing room #2: Architecture, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
PAPERWORK: An Exhibition of Contemporary South African Works on Paper,
SMAC Gallery, Stellenbosch, South Africa.
Imago Mundi, [Travelling Exhibition], Museo Carlo Bilotti, Rome; Ca' dei Carraresi,
Treviso, Italy.
- 2013 The Xmas Show, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2012 PAINT I: Contemporary South African Painting 2002 - 2012, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town,
South Africa.
Collection 17: Modern and Contemporary South African Art: 1952 – 2012,
Aardklop National Festival (SMAC Gallery), Potchefstroom, South Africa.
Collection 16, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2011 Contemporary South African Painters: Kate Gottgens, Simon Stone, Giovanna Bialo-
Stone & John Murray, Kalk Bay Modern, Kalk Bay, South Africa.
- 2001 'Group Exhibition', Knysna Fine Art, Knysna, South Africa.
- 1999 *Unplugged*, Rembrandt Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
- 1998 'Group Exhibition', João Ferreira, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 1996 'Group Exhibition', Hanel Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.

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- 1995 *Laager*, Africus Biennale, Johannesburg, South Africa.
Scurvy, Castle of Good Hope, Cape Town, South Africa.
Volkskas L'Atelier Award Exhibition, ABSA Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
Woman on South Africa, Paarl Museum, Paarl, South Africa.
- 1994 8th New Delhi Triennale, New Delhi Academy of Fine Art, New Dheli, India.
X it, curated by Malcolm Payne, Association for Visual Arts (AVA) Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
Kate Gottgens and Barend de Wet, 74 Hout St, Cape Town, South Africa.
Volkskas Atelier Award Exhibition, ABSA Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
- 1992 *Vita Art Now Award Exhibition*, Johannesburg Art Gallery (JAG), Johannesburg, South Africa.
- 1991 *Other Visibilities*, Newtown Galleries, Johannesburg, South Africa.
'Group Exhibition', F.I.G Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
Kate Gottgens and Conrad Wetz, F.I.G. Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
'Group Exhibition', Dal Josaphat Art Foundation, Paarl, South Africa.
'Group Exhibition', Association for Visual Art (AVA) Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 1990 *Pawn/Porn*, F.I.G Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.
- 1988 *Urban Melodrama*, Market Theatre Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa.

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

- 2017 Gottgens, K. | 2017, *Kate Gottgens Paintings // 2015 -2017*. 2017, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
Jamal, A. | 2017, *In the World: Essays on Contemporary South African Art*, SKIRA Publications, Rome, Italy.
- 2016 Flanery, P. | 2016, *Interior: Monkeyboy*, Granta Issue 136 'Legacies of Love', Granta Publications, London, UK.
- 2015 Dodd, A. | 2015, *Kate Gottgens Paintings 2007- 2015*. 2015, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2014 Beers, K. | 2014, *100 Painters Of Tomorrow*, Thames & Hudson, London, UK.
Benneton, L. | 2014, *SOUTH AFRICA: 10 x 12 @ Sa. Contemporary Artists From South Africa*, FABRICA, Treviso, Italy.

SELECTED PRESS HIGHLIGHTS

O'Toole, S. 2017. Artist Kate Gottgens captures the essence of suburban restlessness. The Times [online]. Available: <https://www.timeslive.co.za/sunday-times/lifestyle/2017-12-05-artist-kate-gottgens-captures-the-essence-of-suburban-restlessness/>. [Accessed 5 Dec. 2017].

Leiman, L. 2016. Are you scared of this too? Kate Gottgens' new show 'Famine'. [online] Between 10 and 5. Available at: <https://10and5.com/2016/09/26/are-you-scared-of-this-tookate-gottgens-new-show-famine/> [Accessed 20 Oct. 2016].

IAM Team. 2018. "Tired From Smiling" by Kate Gottgens. Intense Art Magazine [online]. Available at: <http://www.iam-africa.com/tired-smiling-kate-gottgens/> [Accessed 16.01.2019].
Pollak, L. 2015. Colour, Blur, Memory: Kate Gottgens' 'Infinite Loop'. ArtThrob [online]. Available at: <http://artthrob.co.za/2015/10/14/colour-blur-memory-kate-gottgens-infinite-loop/> [Accessed 16.01.2019].

Art Super. 2017. Collector's Guide | Top 10 | Artissima 2017. Art Super Magazine [online]. Available at: <https://artsupermagazine.com/collectors-guide/collectors-guide-2017/artissimatorino-2017/top-10-artissima-turin-2017/> [Accessed 11.07.2017].

COLLECTIONS

Pérez Collection, Miami, USA.
Cassatt Foundation, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
Majudia / Arsenal Contemporary in Montreal, Canada.
Taylor Art Collection in Denver, USA.
Luciano Benetton Collection, Treviso, Italy.
The Royal Portfolio Collection, Cape Town, South Africa.
The Leeu Collection, Franschhoek, South Africa.
The South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) Collection, Johannesburg, South Africa.
Hans Porer Collection. Cape Town, South Africa
Spier Art Collection, Cape Town, South Africa
Homestead Collection (Norval Foundation), Cape Town, South Africa
Hall Art Foundation, Derneburg, Germany & Reading, Vermont USA
Atholl Collection of South African Art, UK, South Africa, Israël
Ekard Collection, The Netherlands
Calisto Collection, Singapore & South Africa
The Rupert Collection, UK & South Africa