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Born in Paris, France
Lives and works in Chicago since 2011

Select Solo Exhibitions

- 2020 *V.O.T.E. (Very Obvious Time to Engage)*, Cornelia Arts Building, Chicago, IL.
- 2016 *Artform*, Elastic Arts Foundation, Chicago, IL.
- 2011 *Subconscious Thought*, Robert Bills Contemporary, Chicago, IL.
- 2008 Drawings & paintings, Le Mécène, Paris, France
- 2007 Drawings & paintings, Cabinet 28 octobre, Paris, France
- 2003 *Manhattan slideshow*, Exhibition of photographs in private apartment, Paris, France
- 1999 *When a night turns dark*, Exhibition of photographs in private apartment, New York, NY
- 1999 *Players?*, Exhibition of photographs in private apartment, New York, NY
- 1998 *Projecting*, Void, New York, NY
- 1998 *Unusual pictures*, Gemini, New York, NY

Select Group Exhibitions

- 2024 *Awakening Earth*, ZhouB Art Center, Chicago, IL.
- 2022 *Where Art Works: Artist Communities and Creative Placemaking*, Eat Paint Studio Gallery, Chicago, IL.
- 2021 The Other Art Fair, Revel Fulton Market, Chicago, IL.
- 2019 *All Politics are Local*, Jackson Junge Gallery, Chicago, IL.
- 2018 The Other Art Fair, Mana Contemporary, Chicago, IL.
- 2017 *30 Ans de l'Association Florence*, Espace Commines, Paris, France
- 2015 *Sights, Sounds, and Sensations of the City*, State Street Gallery, Robert Morris University, Chicago, IL.
- 2011 Lincoln Park Art Fair, Chicago, IL.
- 2011 *Circus Surreal*, The Observatory, Chicago, IL.
- 2011 *Exploding faces, (Confining Spaces)*, Robert Bills Contemporary, Chicago, IL.
- 2010 *New works*, FIAC Off, Atelier of Xavier Deshoulières, Paris, France
- 2009 *Imaginaire*, Espace Commines, Paris, France
- 2007 *Housing Works Art Show*, Housing Works Bookstore, New York, NY
- 1998 *Save the Garden*, CHARAS / El Bohio, New York, NY

Honors/Awards

- 2017 Individual Artist Project Grant, *Kitihawa's Chandelier*, DCASE, Chicago, IL.
2017 Recipient of French Consulat Cultural Grant, *Kitihawa's Chandelier*, Chicago, IL

CURATORIAL EXPERIENCE & SPECIAL PROJECTS

02/12 - Present **Founder, Executive Director**, HANA PIETRI LLC., Chicago, IL.

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- Research & select participating artists & creatives.
- Conceptualize, curate & produce exhibitions & special events.
- Identify & secure sponsors, venues, vendors & partnerships.
- Negotiate budgets, contracts & agreements.
- Create, promote & sell ticketed events.
- Manage production and freelance teams.
- Create and design content for website and online marketing.
- Develop creative educational initiatives for schools and community organizations.

HANA PIETRI PROGRAMS

2024

- Outsider Art Fair, NYC; An exhibition of paintings by Maurice Sullins.
- Wirtz Residential partnership presenting and exhibition of paintings by *Jeff Zimmermann* and a solo cello performance by *Katinka Kleijn*.

2023

- Alliance Française de Chicago: *Maurice Sullins et la Tour Eiffel: A Timeless Muse* in partnership with the Villa Albertine, the Consulat de France a Chicago, City/Cité and the Chicago Architectural Biennial and Intuit: The enter for Intuitive and Outsider Art
- Outsider Art Fair, NYC; An exhibition of paintings by Maurice Sullins.
- Production of the multimedia exhibition ENERGY presented at ZhouBArt Center;
- Launch of Arts & Cultural Program at Wirtz Residential with rotating exhibitions and performances. Exhibitions presented: *Lee Tracy: Paintings From the Archive / Sébastien Johnson: Eurotrash*.

2022

- Outsider Art Fair, Paris, France, presenting works by Maurice Sullins;
- Outsider Art Fair, NYC, *Maurice Sullins and Marvin Tate*
- *Maurice Sullins: Force of Nature*.

2021

- Launch of Hana Pietri Gallery, an exhibition and special projects space in the Cornelia Arts Building.

- *First Date*; An Exhibition of new works by Marvin Tate.
- *Finding Space Within Place*; An Exhibition of new works by Marvin Tate.
- *Maurice Sullins. A Tour d'Horizon*, Exhibition of select works.
- *Inside Views*; An Exhibition of photographs by Floriane de Lassée.
- *Vital Signs*; New Works by Almigdad Aldikhaiiry.

2020

- *While They Were Sleeping*; An Exhibition of New Works by Marvin Tate.
- *Tahitian Paradise*; An Exhibition of Works by Maurice Sullins.
- *A Seat at the Table*; Fundraising event to raise funds for a 2020 Chicago Art Campaign, celebrating the centennial anniversary of the 19th Amendment.
- Outsider Art Fair, NYC, presenting works by Maurice Sullins.

2018

- *Chicago Lights* by Abigail Zoe Martin, Exhibition at the Zhou B Art Center.
- *The Demandments* by Lee Tracy, Exhibition of 10 Demandments at the Chicago Forum on Global Cities in Chicago.
- *Marvin Tate presents*, an art pop-up and garden party presenting new works.
- *L'Interdit* Album Release, written and performed by Jim Darque in collaboration with Gray Wolf Records.
- *Nicolas Henry Detroit Residency* at Popp's Packing and the Downtown Boxing Gym.
- *Marvin Tate presents* - Recommended offsite event during Art Design Chicago in collaboration with Intuit: The Center for Intuitive and Outsider Art during the Art Against the Flow Summit.
- *Nicolas Henry Residency* at The Downtown Boxing Gym, Detroit.

2017

- *New works by Marvin Tate*, an exhibition of assemblages created with found objects.
- *Kitihawa's Chandelier*, Exhibition at the DuSable Museum of African American History.
- *Maurice Sullins*, an Exhibition of works at the Residency of the French Consul General.

2016

- Marvin Tate Residency & Performance at Virgin Hotel.
- *Daniel Knox performs*, with special guests HOMME at Virgin Hotel.
- An evening with The Floating Museum and artists Faheem Majeed, Jeremiah Hulsebos-Spofford & Andrew Schachman.
- An evening with sculptor Rodrigo Lara Zendejas.
- *Megan Williamson Conte Crayon Drawings*, an exhibition at the Residency of the French Consul General.
- An evening with performance artist Carron Little.
- An evening and special performance with singer songwriter Daniel Knox.
- *Kitihawa's Chandelier*, world premiere exhibition at the Residence of the French Consul General.

- *Beats, the Bauhaus and the Birth of Abstract Film*, a film screening and evening with Dominic Johnson performing an original live score with remarks by Nathan Peck, Chicago Art Department co-founder and Chair of the Art Department at St. Xavier University.
- *Artform*, an interactive visual and musical event featuring a panel discussion with panelists Robert Willams (Warehouse / Muzik Box), Ron Trent (Music and Power - Future Vision), Mike Macherello & Duane Thamm Jr (Let's Dance - Play House Records), Tiphonie Spencer (The Arts Palette), Jerome Derradji (Still Music Chicago), moderated by Andy Capp (Third Atlantic -Toronto). Performance by Ron Trent & Jerome Derradji.

2015

- *Chicago Angels Project*, an exhibition at Josef Glimer Gallery presenting Uplift Community High School student artists' series of mosaic linoleum relief prints that represent the spirits of youth claimed to senseless violence on the streets of Chicago.
- An evening with multimedia artist Matt Woodward.
- An evening with sculptor Susan Giles in her Hyde Park Art Center Studio in conjunction with her exhibition.
- An evening with self-taught artist Marvin Tate.
- An evening with Sonic Communion [The Bridge #1] - Performance in partnership with Virgin Hotel, a special experimental jazz performance as part of the international Bridge Tour with musicians Jean-Luc Cappozzo (trumpet, flugelhorn), Douglas R. Ewart (woodwinds), Joëlle Léandre & Bernard Santacruz (double bass), Michael Zerang (drums, percussion).
- Daniel Knox & Liam Hayes performance in partnership with Virgin Hotel.
- An evening with multimedia artist Lee Tracy.
- *Memories from the Future*, an exhibition of paintings by Lee Tracy accompanied by readings of the artist's diary by actor Sheila Willis, at Josef Glimer Gallery.
- Three-Part Lecture Series on Collecting led by art historian and appraiser Chris Bennoodt; Part 1: The History of Collecting: Our European Roots; Part 2: Collecting in America and Chicago: Bringing it home; Part 3: I'm a Collector?...I'm a Collector!: Practical Considerations of Collecting.
- Performance by Marvin Tate's Plan B at Virgin Hotel, following the reception by acclaimed music photographers Pattie Boyd and Henry Diltz.
- Film Screening of *147 Pianos* by Dolores Wilber with director meet and greet at Lukas Piano Service.
- Marvin Tate Performance at Virgin Hotel as Part of the Residency I implemented with the hotel to provide a platform for the exploration of new ideas to artists in the field of visual and performing arts.

2014

- Launch of The *Demandments Educational Program* in select CPS schools.
- An evening with painter Megan Williamson.

- An evening with artist & educator Jan Tichy, followed by a flashlight tour of the Cultural Center around Tichy's exhibition, lead by historian Tim Samuelson.
- Record Release Party for the album *Tim Kinsella Sings the Songs of Marvin Tate* by Leroy Bach with a performance at Groovemaster Recording Studio, featuring Marvin Tate, Leroy Bach, Tim Kinsella, Melina Ausikaitis, Ben Boye, Adam Conway, Tina Howell Adam Fitz, Avery Young and Aaron Shapiro.
- *Under the Surface*, A photographic portrait of the Middle East by photographer Hossein Fatemi; premiere exhibition of photographs in the United States followed by dinner and a panel discussion with Panelists Azadeh Gholizadah, Chicago-based interdisciplinary Artist & Architect, Nasrin Quader, assistant professor of literature, Northwestern University and Asad Jafri, president, Sukoon Creative LLC; moderated by Narimon Safavi, co-founder & director of Pasfarda Arts & Cultural Exchange, commentator of Worldview, WBEZ Chicago. Exhibition presented at the Chicago Urban Art Society.
- An evening with artist & educator Faheem Majeed.
- An evening with artist Chris Hefner, followed by dinner and performance by Jeff Harms in the studio of Leroy Bach.
- An evening with muralist and painter Jeff Zimmerman.

2013

- An evening with self-taught artist Marvin Tate, followed by dinner at the Charnel House with musical performance by Marvin Tate, Leroy Bach, Dan Bitney and Matt Lux.
- An evening with printmaker Teresa James followed by a book release party for *Beautiful Fools*, written by and with Clifton Spargo at Experimental Sound Station, with a musical performance by Alan Gresik.
- *The Studio Visit*, an exhibition of works by multimedia artist Lee Tracy, presented at Big Deahl Productions.
- An evening with multimedia artist Chris Silva.

2012

- Launch of The Arts Palette, a membership-based art salon.
- An evening with painter Vera Klement, followed by dinner at Wallace's Catfish Corner with musical performance by *Sharon Lewis & Texas Fire*.
- An evening with multimedia artist Matt Woodward, followed by dinner at L. Miller Lumber & Son with musical performance by *Big Science*.
- An evening with sculptors Susan Giles & Jeff Carter, followed by a musical performance by Ryan Keesling & Dominic Johnson.
- An evening with photographer Doug Fogelson, followed by dinner with David Cooper at Cooper Technica.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

02/01- 08/05

International Exhibition Co-Director, Paris, France
Earth from Above by Yann Arthus-Bertrand
[Exhibitions](#)

- Negotiated & secured venues, permits and partnerships.
- Located, hired & managed local teams including architects, engineers, graphic designers, fabricators & installers.
- Supervised fundraising efforts, press & PR operations.
- Established & managed budgets, technical & logistical operations including shipping, maintenance & insurance.
- Produced the exhibition in Aarhus, Berlin, Hamburg, Hanover, Zurich, Budapest, London, Lyon, Mexico City, Veracruz, Montreal & Chicago.

02/98 - 06/00 **Vice-President, Creative & Operations**, David Sirieix, inc., NYC
 Boutique advertising agency specialized in fashion, \$6M company
www.sirieix.com

- Directed creative & strategic implementation of campaigns for brands Wayne Rogers, Weatherproof, Wilke Rodriguez & Dani Max.
- Supervised & maintained client relations.
- Secured editorial coverage for campaigns.
- Lead business development & acquisition.
- Supervised photo shoots & TV commercials.
- Managed a team of 5 freelancers.

09/96 - 07/00: **Photographer**, New York, New York
 Produced a photo documentary on the late-night electronic music scene.

01/97 - 01/98: **Public Information Assistant**
 The International Center of Photography (ICP) New York, New York

- Assisted in press release research & drafting.
- Responded to press & information requests, compiled & distributed press kits.
- Maintained & updated public information photography archives & files.
- Organized, labeled & filed exhibit prints.

07/96 - 12/96: **Junior Account Executive**, TED, inc., New York, New York
 Public relations agency specialized in culture, art & fashion, \$15M company

- Assisted in management of large-scale corporate events, including launch of advertising campaigns & new product promotion for Banana Republic, Lancôme, Condé Nast Traveler & InStyle magazine.
- Translated & compiled French & Spanish documents in English for client press kits.
- Participated in research, target analysis & development of marketing strategies.
- Composed media alerts, releases & client biographies.
- Extensive day-to-day contact with national print & broadcast media.

EDUCATION

- 1996 Bachelor of Arts, Hispanic Studies Major, Connecticut College, New London, CT.
1995 Toor Cummings Center for International Studies and the Liberal Arts (CISLA)
Study abroad at the Universidad de las Americas, Puebla, Mexico
1994 Study abroad La Nouvelle Sorbonne, Paris III, Paris, France

OTHER

Press /Bibliography

- 2022 [*brutjournal*](#)
2011 [*Art Burst Chicago*](#)
2011 [*The Chicago Tribune*](#)
2011/2012 *La Bible de la Figuration Contemporaine*, Editions Lelivredart, Paris, France

SKILLS & ABILITIES

Experienced, creative, focused and open-minded independent curator interested in using the power of art to educate and inspire civil engagement. Proven track record in project management, directing intimate to large-scale exhibitions and special projects.