

## **Mai-Thu Perret**

1976 Born in Geneva.  
Lives and Works in Geneva and New York

### **Education:**

BA in English, Cambridge University, UK  
Whitney Independent Study Program, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

### **Solo exhibitions:**

#### **2007**

Galerie Francesca Pia, Zurich  
Bonnefanten Museum, Maastricht (catalogue)

#### **2006**

And Every Woman Will Be a Walking Synthesis of the Universe, The Renaissance Society, Chicago (catalogue)  
Apocalypse Ballet, Galerie Barbara Weiss, Berlin  
Solid Objects, Chisenhale Gallery, London (with Valentin Carron)

#### **2005**

Heroine of the People, Galerie Praz-Delavallade, Paris  
Solid Objects, Centre d' art contemporain, Geneva (with Valentin Carron)

#### **2004**

Statements, Galerie Francesca Pia, ArtBasel 35, Basel  
Centre d' édition contemporaine, Geneva

#### **2003**

Pure self-expression x25, Galerie Francesca Pia, Bern

#### **2002**

The Modern Institute, Glasgow  
We close our eyes in order to see, Glassbox, Paris

#### **2001**

Land of Crystal, Le Studio, CAN, Neuchâtel (catalogue)

### **Group exhibitions:**

#### **2007**

Half Square Half Crazy, Villa Arson, Nice, France  
Open and Shut, Skestos Gabriele Gallery, Chicago, Illinois

#### **2006**

Tbilisi 3: Lets stay alive till monday, Children National Gallery, Tbilisi, Georgia  
In the poem about love the word love does not appear, Artists Space, New York  
(catalogue)

Interstellar Low Ways, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago

The Gold Standard, P.S.1, New York

Madame la baronne était plutôt maniéree, assez roccoco et complètement  
baroque, Volume 3, Centre d'art Mira Phalaina / Maison Populaire, Montreuil  
(catalogue)

Shiny, Wexner Art Center, Columbus, Ohio

- Goshka Macuga: Sleep of Ulro, A-Foundation, Liverpool Biennial, Liverpool (catalogue)
- Unter 30 IV Kiefer Hablitzel, Centre PasquArt, Bienne, CH (catalogue)
- Modus, Neue Kunsthalle, St Gallen (catalogue)
- Bring the War Home, Elizabeth Dee Gallery, New York and QED, Los Angeles (catalogue)
- Conversation Pieces, Centre d' art contemporain, Geneva
- Lovely Shanghai Music, Team 404, Zendai Museum of Modern Art, Shanghai, China (catalogue)
- Visioni del paradiso, Institut Suisse, Rome (catalogue)
- The Endless Summer, West London Projects, London
- Objets d' hier et d' aujourd' hui, Galerie Edouard Manet, Gennevilliers
- Again For Tomorrow, Royal College of Art, London (catalogue)
- Hradacany, La Generale, Paris
- Sublime Part II, Atelier 3eme etage, Usine, Geneve (catalogue)
- Madame la baronne etait plutot manieree, assez roccoco et completement baroque – Acte 1, Centre d'art Mira Phalaina / Maison Populaire, Montreuil (catalogue)
- Eine Person allein in einem Raum mit Coca-Cola-farbenen Wanden, Grazer Kunstverein, Graz
- Nouvelles Collections: Edition 5, Centre PasquArt, Bienne, CH
- 2005**
- Geneva, artist and designers today, Centre d' art contemporain, Geneva
- Wednesday calls the Future, National Art Center, Tbilisi, Georgia
- In the poem about love the word love does not appear, CCA, Glasgow (catalogue)
- Parallel Life, Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt (catalogue)
- NY Twice, Air de Paris, Paris (catalogue)
- Model Modernisms , Artists Space, New York
- Situational Prosthetics, New Langton Arts Center, San Francisco
- 2004**
- None of the above, Swiss Institute, New York
- YellowPages, Musee d' art moderne et contemporain (Mamco), Geneva (catalogue)
- Tuesday is gone,, Tbilisi, Georgia
- Furchte Dich, Helmhaus, Zurich (catalogue)
- Leviathan under moon's influence, Champion Fine Arts, Brooklyn, USA
- Archives generation upon generation, Year, Brooklyn, NY
- 2003**
- Form/Kontext/Troja, Secession, Vienna, Austria (catalogue)
- Socialism: A love letter, Fia Backstrom Productions, Brooklyn, USA
- Fink Forward: the collection, Kunsthaus Glarus, Glarus, Switzerland (catalogue)
- YellowPages, Turm Gallery Helmstedt, Germany, and Kunsthalle Palazzo Liestal, Switzerland (catalogue)
- The return of the creature, Kunstlerhaus Thurn + Taxis, Bregenz, Austria
- 2001**
- Rock Paper Scissors, Galerie Francesca Pia, Bern
- Get Angry – Perspectives romandes 3, Espace Arlaud, Musee des Beaux-Arts de Lausanne (catalogue)
- Wahrscheinlich (vraisemblablement), Alimentation Generale Art Contemporain, Luxembourg
- The New Domestic Landscape, Galeria Javier Lopez, Madrid

## **2000**

Dr Wings, Air de Paris, Paris  
Why can't monsters get along with other monsters, Galerie Francesca Pia, Bern  
Etat des lieux #2, Prefiguration du Museum of Contemporary Art, Tucson, (AZ), Fri-Art, Fribourg

### **Bibliography:**

- Egger, Christian, "Klaus Theweleit: Male Fantasies; an interview with Mai-Thu Perret," Spike Art Quarterly, no.10, Winter 2006
- Allen, Jennifer, "Mai-Thu Perret at Galerie Barbara Weiss" , Artforum, April 2006
- Bonacina, Andrew, "Mai-Thu Perret" , in Again For Tomorrow, catalogue d'exposition, Royal College of Art, Londres, 2006
- Chateigne Yann, "One More Time" , Trouble, no 6, 2006
- Feldman, Hannah, "Desert of the Real: The Art of Mai-Thu Perret" , Artforum, Summer 2006
- Nielsen, Henrike, "Mai-Thu Perret at Galerie Barbara Weiss" , Flash Art International, no 247, March-April 2006
- Huster Wiebke, "Pappmache-Kameradinnen" , Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung, 19.02.2006
- Renard, Emilie, "A l' ombre de Jeanne d' Arc – Entretien avec John Armleder et Mai-Thu Perret" , Trouble, no 6,2006
- Kim, Sung Won, "An interview with Mai-Thu Perret" , Paralleles Leben, catalogue d'exposition, Frankfurter Kunstverein, 2005
- Reynaud Dewar, Lili, "Figures speciales – Mai-Thu Perret, Lucy McKenzie," 02 revue d' art contemporain no. 38, Nantes, Summer 2005
- Stroun, Fabrice, "Ouverture, Mai-Thu Perret" , Flash Art International no. 236, May-June 2004
- Notter, Eveline: "Love thy sister like thyself," Kunst-Bulletin, Zurich May 2004
- Schellenberg, Samuel: "Mai-Thu Perret, a l'aise entre mots et forme," Le Courier, Geneve, April 17, 2004
- Steiner, Urs: "Heiter? Bewolkt?- Grosswetterlage der Befindlichkeit im Helmhaus," Neue Zurcher Zeitung, Zurich, February 17, 2004
- Gerber, Elisabeth: "Mai-Thu Perret im Galerie Francesca Pia" , Kunst-Bulletin, Zurich October, 2003
- Stroun, Fabrice: "Fabrice Stroun talks with Mai-Thu Perret," CAN, Neuchatel, 2002

### **Selected texts and publications by the artist:**

- Brumaire no 0, magazine conceived by the artist and published as a supplement to Parabol AM, The Supplement issue, issue 1, Vienna, March 2006
- "Crystal Frontier: A Short Lexicon," in Again For Tomorrow, exhibition catalogue, Royal College of Art, London, 2006
- " Dear Friend" , in Univers, n°9, Vienna/Berlin, September 2005
- "Lee Lozano" , in Metropolis M, Amsterdam, February/March 2005
- "Le Rayon noir" , in supplement Circuit, Kunst-Bulletin, Zurich n°4, April 2004
- "The Crystal Frontier" , in Edition Fink, The Connection/Collection, Zurich Edition Fink, 2003
- "Exhibit A" , in Inside the White Cube, London, White Cube, 2003

Timewave Zero : A Psychedelic Reader, Geneva and Frankfurt, JRP Editions and Revolver Verlag, 2001 (Anthology edited in collaboration with Lionel Bovier)  
Xn 00 : Heterotopias, Geneve, JRP Editions, 2000 (Anthology edited in collaboration with Lionel Bovier)  
“The Crystal Frontier” , 2000-2003, [www.airdeparis.com/guest](http://www.airdeparis.com/guest)  
“New Ponderosa Year Zero” , Valdez, Bogota, n°3, Septembre 2000, pp. 96-98  
“Run Abstraction” , Purple Prose, Paris, n°13, Winter 1998, text 17  
“Up in the mountains” , Purple Fiction, Paris, n°4, Winter 1998, text 08  
Various Reviews, Frieze,, London 2000-2004

**Curatorial projects:**

Homosocial, Champion Fine Arts, New York (2004)  
Le Rayon noir, Circuit, Lausanne, Switzerland, in collaboration with Fabrice Stroun (2003)

**Prizes and grants:**

Kiefer-Hablitzel Art Prize, 2006  
Swiss Federal Prize for Fine Arts, 2006  
Swiss Federal Prize for Fine Arts, 2004