

## BIOGRAPHY

Artist

**Maia Flore**

French photographer born in 1988, Maia Flore lives and works in Paris. She studied at the Gobelins School, became a member of Agence Vu and began exhibiting her works in 2011 at the Circulations Festival and at the Rencontres d'Arles. In the summer 2012, she left for a residency in Finland and started working on installations. In the following years, she pursued this research at Kala Art Institute of California-Berkeley and in various other places. Taking her own person as a model, Maia Flore invents situations where her hair and her body act with the landscape or the scenery and transfigure the reality. Luminous poems, which start with sketches from memories and impressions, her photographs are filled with travel, dream and imagination. In 2015, Maia Flore became the 20th winner of the HSBC Prize for Photography, along with Guillaume Martial. She then entered the Fresnoy-Studio national des arts contemporains where she pursued her artistic research on the expression of the body and feelings. In 2020, Editions contrejour publishes *D'îles en lune*, the result of an artist's residency in Saint-Malo in which her photographs meet the poems of Albane Gellé.

## Solo shows

**2020**

*D'îles en lune*, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France

*D'îles en lune*, Saint-Malo, France

*By the Sea*, French Embassy, Buenos Aires, Argentina and Institut Français, Vienna, Austria

*Flowing in Stillness*, Themes + Projects, San Francisco, USA

**2018**

*Au lieu de ce monde*, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, during Festival Circulation(s), Paris, France, curated by Audrey Hoareau

**2017**

*Les songes Immobiles*, Ploumagoar, France

*Maia Flore*, Festival Paraty em Foco, Paraty, Brasil

*Maia Flore*, Château de Carrouges, France

*Imagine France, le fantastique voyage*, travelling exhibition at Institut Français of Ahmedabad in India, of Buenos Aires, Argentina, of Budapest, Hungary, and of Moscow, Russia.

**2016**

*Maia Flore*, Hôtel La Belle Juliette, Paris, France

*L'enchantement va de soi*, Deauville, France

*Imagine France, le fantastique voyage*, travelling exhibition at the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro and at the Alliance française in Florianópolis, Brasil, at Dubai International Financial Center, Dubai, at the Parlement of North Westphalie Rhenanie in Dusseldorf, Germany, at the Shinsegye Gallerie in Seoul, South Korea, at the Violin Factory in London and in the Instituts Français of Brasilia, Brasil, of Tokyo, Japan, of Copenhagen, Danemark, of Hanoi, Vietnam and of Fukuoka, Dunhuang, China

**2015**

*Sleep Elevations*, Musée Nicéphore Niepce, Chalon-sur-Saône, France

*Maia Flore*, Clos Lucé, France

*Imagine France, le fantastique voyage*, travelling exhibition at the Alliance

Française of Bruxelles, at So tel Beijing, at Institut National de Langue in

Luxembourg, at the Institut français of Amsterdam, of Madrid and of Barcelona.

**2014**

Modernbook Gallery, San Francisco, USA

*Imagine France, le fantastique voyage*, Bercy Village, Paris and Instituts Français in Milano and Roma in Italy

Gallery Emmanuel Fremin, New York, USA

**2013**

Thelma Sadoff Center for the Arts, Fond du Lac, USA

**2012**

*Sleep Elevations*, Galerie Madé, Paris

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**Group shows  
(selection)****2020**

Paris Photo New York, with Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, New-York, USA

**2019**

Paris Photo, with Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Grand Palais, Paris

Festival of photography, La Gacilly, France

Ooshoot Award, Magasins Généraux, Paris

*Quand les fleurs nous sauvent*, Le Purgatoire, Paris

**2018**

*Paris Photo*, with Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Grand Palais, Paris

Panorama 21, Le Fresnoy Studio National des Arts Contemporains, France

*Floraisons*, La Belle Juliette, Paris, France

*Maia Flore & Marc Sommer*, La Belle Juliette, Paris, France

**2017**

*Proyecta Madrid*, Madrid, Spain

Nuit de la Photographie, La Chaux-de-Fond, Switzerland

*Phenomenon*, Bolinas Museum, California, USA

AIPAD The Photography Show, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, New York, USA

**2016**

Théâtre de Gap, France

AIPAD, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, New York, USA

**2015**

*Regards*, Alençon, France

Prix HSBC, travelling exhibition with Guillaume Martial, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff

in Paris, Galerie le Réverbère in Lyon, Musée de la Photographie André Villers in

Mougins, L'Arsenal in Metz, Maison de la Photographie in Lille, France

*Morning Sculptures*, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France

**2014**

*The enigmatic object*, Filter Festival, Chicago, IL, USA

*The Art of Work*, Newspace Center for Photography, Portland, USA

**2013**

International Photography Festival Gextophoto, curated by Christian Caujolle, Spain  
 Art du Jardin, Grand Palais, Paris, France  
 NordArt Festival, Kunstwerk-Calshuette, Büdelsdorf, Germany  
 Sony World photography, Somerset House, London, UK  
 Project Basha gallery, Philadelphie, USA  
 Fototropia Gallery, Guatemala  
 Les Contemplatives, Gallery 111, Paris, France  
 Photoplace Gallery, Middlebury, USA

**2012**

Atelier Lardeur, Paris  
 Biennale des Créateurs d'Images, Cité de la Mode et du Design, Paris, France  
 Les Photographiques, Festival de l'Image, Le Mans, France  
 Centre Culturel le Belvédère, Uriage les Bains, France

**2011**

Les Photaumnales, Beauvais, France  
 Les Rencontres d'Arles, Galerie le Magasin de Jouets, Arles, France  
 La nuit de l'année, with Agence Vu, Arles, France  
 Fotografia Europea, Reggio Emilia, Italia  
 Circulation(s), festival de la jeune photographie européenne, Paris, France

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**Awards & residencies****2018**

Artist residency, PERI Photographic center, Turku, Finland  
 Nominated for Oshoot Award

**2017**

Festival Paraty em Foco, Brasil

**2016**

Artist residency, Arteless, Haukijärvi, Finland  
 Festival Planche Contacts, Deauville, France

**2015**

HSBC Award for photography, with Guillaume Martial

**2014**

Thelma Sadoff Center for the Arts, Fond du Lac, USA

**2013**

Nominated for Sony World Photography, London, UK  
 Artist residency, Kala Art Institute, Berkeley, USA  
 Prix PHPA, Paris

**2012**

Artist residency, Fiskars, Finland

**2011**

Entrevues, Paris - Arles, France  
 Festival Circulation(s), Paris, France

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**Publications**  
(selection)

*D'iles en lune*, Contre Jour, 2020

*Rememories* - Monography of HSBC Award, Actes Sud, 2015

*Planche Contact*, Filigranes, 2016

*Scalpel*, curated by Monica Allende, 2013

Regardez voir, invited by Brigitte Patient, France Inter, 14 May 2015

Les Carnets de la Création, invited by Aude Lavigne, France Culture, 1st June 2015

Maia Flore photographs have been published in : New Yorker, Aesthetica Magazine, Time, Kinfolk Magazine, Huffington Post, Libération, Le Monde, Télérama, Elle UK, La Repubblica, The Guardian etc

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**Collections**

Musée Nicéphore Niépce, Chalon-sur-Saône, France

Artothèque de Rome, Italia

Fondation de France

Opéra de Paris

Mairie de Deauville

Théâtre de Gap

Mc Evoy Foundation for the arts, San Francisco

Novartis, Switzerland

Fondation de France

Artothèque de Rome, Italia

Bolinas Museum, California