

Press Release



50 years, 50 artists

An anniversary exhibition

from 3 JULY to 31 AUGUST 2021

**Exhibition presented as part
of the 1971-2021 event
«Passion Céramique» (May/Nov. 2021).**

*The exhibition has been curated by the
Ceramics Association of La Borne.*

2021 will mark a triple anniversary at La Borne - the 50th anniversary of the Ceramics Association of La Borne, the 40th anniversary of the creation of the Association's Programming Commission and the 10th anniversary +1 of the La Borne Contemporary Ceramic Centre. The 2020 health emergency prevented us from organising a commemoration of the Centre's 10th anniversary, but it is only appropriate, given the partnership between the Centre and the Association, for us to mark the two anniversaries together this year.

An anniversary provides an opportunity to look both backwards and forwards, and La Borne has come a long way since the first exhibition was held in an old forge, initiated by Pierre Mestre and André Rozay in 1962, to the establishment of so many renowned artists who have marked a new era, to the creation of a group of ceramic artists in La Borne in 1971, to the establishment of a Programming Commission in 1981, to the opening of the La Borne Contemporary Ceramics Centre in 2010.

There are new prospects opening up with the creation of a Partnership Committee that includes the signatories of the agreements linking the Communauté de Communes Terre du Haut Berry, the Ceramics Association of La Borne, the Ivanoff Museum, the Pottery Museum of La Borne and the National Higher School of Art of Bourges, and the French state

via the DRAC Centre-Val de Loire, the Centre-Val de Loire Regional Council and the Departmental Council of the Cher since 2019.

Birthdays are also an opportunity to give each other gifts; the exhibition entitled «50 years, 50 artists» offers visitors the chance to discover or rediscover the work of 50 artists that the Association and the La Borne Contemporary Ceramic Centre have selected from among the 800 artists who have been invited to exhibit at La Borne. 50 works of art are on display alongside the work of the members of the Ceramics Association of La Borne.

This exhibition illustrates the ongoing desire to present the full diversity of contemporary ceramics at La Borne, to showcase the outstanding work of renowned artists or artists who deserve to be better known.

The Invited Artists

Arnold Annen
Jean-Gilles Badaire
Maria Bosch
Thierry-Loïc Boussard
Gil Browaëys
Anne Bulliot
Marianne Castelly
Nani Champy-Schott
Claude Champy
Michel Cohen
Daphne Corregan
Coralie Courbet
Bernard Dejonghe
Tjok Dessauvage
Ule Ewelt
Fanny Ferré
Jean-Marie Foubert
Jean-François Fouilhoux
Michel Gardelle
Solange Garotte
Alain Gaudebert |
Jean-Nicolas Gérard
Jean Girel
Haguiko
Charles Hair
Guy Honoré
Julia Huteau
Agathe Larpent
Michel Le Gentil
Jean-Claude Legrand
Olivier Leroi
Mia Llauder
Jean-Raymond Meunier
Christophe Möller
Nathalie Montarou
Claude Pasquer
Michel Pastore
Brigitte Pénicaud
Rafa Perez
Laurent Petit
Daniel Pontoreau
Evelyne Porret
Claire Roger
Joan Serra
Gilles Suffren
Bernard Thimonnier
Catherine Vanier
Claude Varlan
Jean-Pierre Viot
Michel Wohlfahrt
Takeshi Yasuda
Michel Zoladz

Participating ACLB Ceramists

Éric Astoul
Françoise Blain
Laurence Blasco Mauriaucourt
Jeltje Borneman
Anthony Bourahli
Patricia Calas Dufour
Claudie Charnaux Guillaume
Fabienne Claesen
Dominique Coenen
Nicole Crestou
Suzanne Daigeler
Dalloun
Stéphane Dampierre
Bernard David
Ophélie Derely
Claude Gaget
Dominique Garet
Pep Gomez
Catherine Griffaton
Jean Guillaume
Machiko Hagiwara
Viola Hering
Roz Herrin
Svein Hjorth-Jensen
Jean Jacquinot
Pierre Jaggi
Anne-Marie Kelecom
Labbrigitte
Daniel Lacroix
Jacques Laroussinie
Christophe Léger
Dominique Legros
Christine Limosino Favretto
François Maréchal
Joël Marot
Élisabeth Meunier
Maya Micenmacher Rousseau
Francine Michel
Marylène Millérioux
Isabelle Pammachius
Nadia Pasquer
Christine Pedley
Lucien Petit
Jean-Luc Pinçon
Charlotte Poulsen
Françoise Quiney
Michèle Raymond
Sylvie Rigal
Alicia Rochina
Hervé Rousseau
Nicolas Rousseau
Lulu Rozay
Karina Schneiders
Jean-Pol Urbain
Émilie Vanhaecke
Nirdosh Petra van Heesbeen
Claude Voisin
David Whitehead
Seungho Yang

Ceramics Association of La Borne

Ever since 1971, the energy of the Ceramics Association of La Borne (ACLB) has been demonstrated by organizing regular events, international meetings and exhibitions in the former girls' school and since 2010, in the Contemporary Ceramics Centre in La Borne. Today the Association has over 70 members representing thirteen different nationalities, working within a 35 km radius of La Borne. All of them create unique pieces, utilitarian pottery and sculptures.

The techniques and types of firing have become more diversified, although wood firing still has a special status with some thirty kilns in operation. The Ceramics Association of La Borne is a member of the National Collective of Ceramists. It is a member of the French Art Workshops and «devenir.art», an association of cultural stakeholders in the visual arts in the Centre-Val de Loire region. It collaborates with the Communauté de Communes Terres du Haut Berry, the body that manages the La Borne Contemporary Ceramics Centre.

ACLB Ceramists

Céline Alfruid-Nicolas,
Éric Astoul,
Jean-Luc Belleville,
Françoise Blain,
Laurence Blasco Mauriaucourt,
Jeltje Bornman,
Anthony Bourahli,
Patricia Calas-Dufour,
Fabienne Claesen,
Dominique Coenen, Isabelle Cœur,
Nicole Crestou,
Suzanne Daigeler,
Dalloun,
Stéphane Dampierre,
Bernard David,
Corinne Decoux,
Ophélie Derely,
Rachid Djabela,
Claude Gaget,
Agnès Galvao,
Dominique Garet,
Laurent Gautier,
Geneviève Gay,
Pep Gomez,
Frans Gregoor,
Catherine Griffaton,
Jean Guillaume,
Claudie Guillaume-Charnaux,
Viola Hering,
Roz Herrin,
Svein Hjorth-Jensen,
Jean Jacquinot,
Pierre Jaggi,
Anne-Marie Kelecom,
Labbrigitte,
Daniel Lacroix,
Jacques Laroussinie,
Christophe Léger,
Dominique Legros,
Christine Limosino Favretto,
Claire Linard,
Guillaume Moreau,
Machiko Hagiwara,
François Marechal,
Joël Marot,
Élisabeth Meunier,
Maya Micenmacher Rousseau,
Francine Michel,
Marylène Millerioux,
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Sylvie Rigal,
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Lulu Rozay,
Hervé Rousseau,
Nicolas Rousseau,
Karina Schneiders,
Georges Sybesma,
Diane Truti,
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The Contemporary Ceramics Centre of La Borne

The Contemporary Ceramic Centre of La Borne (CCCLB) is an essential, iconic site in the contemporary ceramics world, producing and promoting ceramics. Its activities involve the preservation, promotion and development of the culture of international contemporary ceramics. The Contemporary Ceramic Centre of La Borne is a cultural and tourist resource of the Communauté de Communes Terres du Haut Berry. The exhibition programming of the Centre is developed in conjunction with the permanent artists of the Ceramics of La Borne Association and in collaboration with all of its members.

The Centre receives the support of the Ministry of Culture—Drac Centre-Val de Loire, the Centre-Val de Loire Region and the Departmental Council of the Cher, with the collaboration of the municipality of Henrichemont. It is a member of the "devenir.art" association of the cultural stakeholders in the visual arts in the Centre-Val de Loire region.

Practical Information

Exhibition from **3 July to 30 August 2021**

Programming for the Private View Weekend: 3 and 4 July 2021

Saturday 3 July

> At 3 pm and 4.30 pm –by reservation only
Presentation of the exhibition and the artists' work
> From 4 pm to 5 pm
"Orchestre de Terre"
Performance, throwing and shaping by the ceramists of the ACLB – outdoors
> 5.30 pm –by reservation only
Lecture
Presentation of the history of the "Invited Artists" commission by Bernard Thimonnier – Lecture Room
> 6.30 pm: *Private viewing of the exhibitions*
Followed by a convivial drink – outside

Sunday 4 July :

> 11.30 am – by reservation only
Presentation of the exhibition and the artists' work
> 4 pm – by reservation only
Presentation of the new film about Claude Champy, "Horizons terres" directed by Delphine Champy. A year of footage filming Claude Champy in all the stages of ceramic creation, the landscapes that inspire him, the voices of 18 artists interviewed, the firing process, his world.
Length: 1.04 hrs.

An exhibition catalogue has been published to mark the occasion and will be available to purchase at the CCCLB.

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Visuals can be downloaded from our website:

Upon request

The Contemporary Ceramics of La Borne is open every day from **11 am to 7 pm**

La Borne Contemporary Ceramic Centre is open to the public in accordance with current sanitary regulations in place.



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