

MAGNIN-A

Houston Maludi

Born in 1978, Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo
Lives and works in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo

Houston Maludi has been drawing since his early years; he made his first paintings with watercolor taken to one of his uncles and a piece of wood used as a brush. Houston Maludi studied at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts of Kinshasa. After years of experimentations and aesthetic researches, inspired by the Cubist painters Georges Braques and Pablo Picasso, he creates 2008 his own, personal Cubism which he named: « Monochromique Cubisme Symbiotique Quantique » that he reaches through a "symbiosis of forms".

In order to illustrate a perfect and discreet unity between the elements, while claiming his manner of filling the voids and his attraction for the Line that "expresses life in its dynamism", Houston Maludi only uses Black & White, which emphasizes the contrasts and the opposition of the various elements constituting the painting. The line is a central element in his drawings, as he claims: « In the symbiotic, error does not exist, If you know how to use it, it becomes a line integrated to the composition of the work ». Art is for him a quest, he seeks to discover a truth in the infinite universe; his name "Maludi" also means truth.

He says is not he, who makes his paintings, it is his works that shape him and leave a mark in him. Once one canvas is achieved, he comes out of the work as a greater man, more mature, hence he evolves at the rhythm of his artistic production. "I seek the truth in Form because Matter is an obstacle to the sight; I pierce it to discover the infinite universe. This is my approach and my philosophy. "

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2018
African Passions, Cadaval Palace, Evora, Portugal

2016
Dans le regard de l'autre, Le Carreau, Cergy, France
Afrik'Expo, Libreville, Gabon

FAIRS

2018
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, New York, USA

1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Marrakech, Morocco

2017
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, London, UK
Art Paris Art Fair, Grand Palais, Paris, France
Independent, Brussels, Belgium

2016
Untitled Miami Beach, Miami, USA
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, London, UK
Independent, Brussels, Belgium
Art Paris Art Fair, Paris, France

2015
FIAC OFFICIELLE, Cité de la mode et du design, Paris, France
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, London, England