



Review: Plein Soleil / Un été des centres d'art
(Out in the Sun/A Summer in the Art Centres)
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In the wake of the "Out in the Sun/Summer in the Art Centres" event in 2007, the review "Plein Soleil/ Un été des centres d'art" (Out in the Sun/A Summer in the Art Centres) ("Été" also means "Being" in French) sets out to bring France's contemporary art centres and their associated artists into the public eye.

Co-published by analogues and d.c.a with the support of the Visual Arts Commission (DAP) at the Ministry of Culture and Communication, the 300-page publication is a magnificently illustrated overview of what France's art centres are doing. Covering 36 centres from among the 44 currently making up the network in France, the review focuses high points in the individual programmes they presented last summer.

Opting for a direct approach to exhibitions and works, Out in the Sun is an excellent guide to the present art scene. Among the 36 centres it spotlights are newly created ones and a number of their predecessors dating back to the 1980s.

Of the over 200 artists included, some were showing in France for the first time; others, like Claude Lévêque and Felice Varini are iconic figures on the French art scene. Thus the review is a panorama aimed at highlighting the scope and diversity of the work being done by the art centre network as a whole.

The exhibition views cover the whole gamut of projects, the variety of contexts and the richness of the works and ideas; in this way the publication points up their distinctive features and, more broadly, the areas of engagement of art today.

Out in the Sun is, in fact, part book, part magazine: an approach intended to combine the timelessness of a work of reference – coverage of each centre's concerns and work orientations – with an outline of a specific season's output.

Since "Out in the Sun/Summer in the Art Centres" in 2007, 8 new centres have joined d.c.a: 3 bis f in Aix-en-Provence; the Bastille–CAB Art Centre in Grenoble; the Passerelle Art Centre in Brest; the Cairn Art Centre in the Haute-Provence Geology Park in Dignes-les-Bains; the Maison des Arts Georges Pompidou in Cajarc; the Confort Moderne Art Centre in Poitiers; Villa du Parc, the contemporary art centre in Annemasse; and the Villa Noailles in Hyères.

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The presentation evening will include a performance by artists Thomas Barbey and Samon Takahashi.

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List of the art centres and exhibitions presented in the review

- **Abbaye Saint-André, centre d'art contemporain** (19-Meymac)
Je est il ? Je sont ils ?
- **CAC Brétigny, Centre d'art contemporain de Brétigny** (91-Brétigny-sur-Orge)
Projet Phalanstère : Prinz Gholam, Mathieu Lehanneur, Hans Walter Müller
- **CCC / Centre de création contemporaine** (37-Tours)
Malachi Farrell, P5
- **Centre d'art de l'Yonne** (89-Auxerre)
Mimetic ; Etienne Bossut, Dépasser les bornes
- **Centre artistique et culturel du Domaine départemental de Chamarande** (91-Chamarande)
Urban connections I et II ; Bert Théis, Le troisième système ; Country party
- **Centre d'art contemporain la Chapelle du Genêteil, le Carré, scène nationale** (53-Château-Gontier)
La Ricarda
- **Cirva** (13-Marseille)
Giuseppe Caccavale, Voce parla luce
- **Cneai - Centre National de l'Estampe et de l'Art Imprimé** (78-Chatou)
Yona Friedman ; collection Multiples ; collection FMRA ; Maison Flottante
- **Centre Photographique d'Ile-de-France** (77-Pontault-Combault)
L'île de Morel Volets 1 et 2
- **Crac Alsace / Centre Rhénan d'art contemporain** (68-Altkirch)
Beautiful People (et la blessure secrète) ;
Julien Berthier et Stéphane Tidet, Les Rives du Pédiluve
- **Centre régional d'art contemporain Languedoc-Roussillon** (34-Sète)
On dirait le sud, Cartographies sentimentales et documentaires
- **Centre d'art contemporain d'Ivry - Le crédac** / (94-Ivry-sur-Seine)
Expériences insulaires ; Les Roses de Jéricho
- **Le Creux de l'Enfer** (63-Thiers)
Marc Desgrandchamps, Un état des choses
- **Espace Croisé** (59-Roubaix)
Ideal.Loop
- **Espace de l'art concret** (06-Mouans-Sartoux)
On fait le mur...
- **Institut d'art contemporain** (69-Villeurbanne)
Laurent Grasso, Magnetic Palace ; Joe Scanlan, Solongsolsolong
- **Jeu de Paume** (75-Paris)
Pierre et Gilles, Double je (1976-2007)
- **Domaine de Kerguéhennec, Centre d'art contemporain-Centre culturel de rencontre** (56-Bignan)
Mel Bochner

- **La Criée / Centre d'art contemporain** (35-Rennes)
Paola Pivi, You gotta be kidding me
- **La Galerie, Centre d'art contemporain** (93-Noisy-le-Sec)
Une Histoire à soi ; Evariste Richer, La Rétine
- **Le 19, Centre régional d'art contemporain de Montbéliard** (25-Montbéliard)
Thierry Bernard; Burkard Blümlein ; Kristen Murphy
- **Le Grand Café / Centre d'art contemporain** (44-Saint-Nazaire)
Minerva Cuevas, Egalité ; Los Carpinteros, Piscina Casa et Cama ; Jennifer Allora et Guillermo Calzadilla ; Felice Varini, Suites de Triangle
- **Centre d'Art le LAIT / Laboratoire Artistique International du Tarn** (81-Albi et Castres)
Eric Madeleine, Changer de point de vue sans tourner la tête ;
Claude Lévêque, Le crépuscule du jaguar
- **Magasin- Centre National d'Art Contemporain** (38-Grenoble)
Gavin Turk, Negotiation of Purpose
- **Le Parvis, Centre d'art contemporain** (65-Ibos)
Djamel Tatah ; Zineb Sedira, Vidéo K.01
- **Le Plateau / Frac Ile-de-France** (75-Paris)
Nicole Eisenman ; Marie Reinert, Glenda Léon
- **Le Quartier / Centre d'art contemporain** (29-Quimper)
Marie-Josée Laframboise, Eric Hattan, Sergio Prego, Nicolas Floc'h, In Situ
- **Les Abattoirs** (31-Toulouse)
Trans-rituels ; Nicolas Primat, Demo Bonobo
- **Palais de Tokyo** (75-Paris)
La Marque Noire / Steven Parrino, Rétrospective, Prospective
- **Parc Saint-Léger / Centre d'art contemporain de Pougues-Les-Eaux** (58-Pougues-Les-Eaux)
Le syndrome de Broadway, une proposition du Commissariat
- **Passages, Centre d'art contemporain** (10-Troyes)
Christopher Varady-Szabo, Meublophages et autres dérivations
- **Centre d'art contemporain La Synagogue de Delme** (57-Delme)
Marc-Camille Chaimowicz, Summer's song...
- **centre international d'art et du paysage de l'île de Vassivière** (87-Vassivière)
Marco Boggio Sella ; Les Gens d'Uterpan ; Marie Denis ; Olivier Bardin ; Hans Walter Müller ;
Cyprien Gaillard ; Fresh Theorie Live ; Château de Tokyo/ Tokyo Redux ; Université d'été du Palais
de Tokyo
- **Centre National d'Art Contemporain de la Villa Arson** (06-Nice)
Gérard Gasiorowski, Gino De Dominicis, Saverio Lucariello, Julien Bouillon
- **Wharf, Centre d'art contemporain** (14-Hérouville Saint-Clair)
Ed Pien, Enchantement