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BIOGRAPHY

Marco Cianfanelli (1970 -) was born in Johannesburg and graduated, with a distinction in Fine Art, from the University of the Witwatersrand in 1992. He has had numerous exhibitions and has won many awards, including the ABSA L'Atelier, which culminated in a residency at the Cité des Arts in Paris, and an Ampersand Fellowship, which took him to New York. Fiercely committed to testing the possibilities for artistic intervention in the public realm and engaging with other professionals from diverse fields, he has been involved in a wide range of projects involving art, architecture and public space. His work can be found in public and private collections in South Africa (Sasol, Absa, Didata, Bloemfontein Art Museum, Spier) Europe and the United States (MOMA NY).

EDUCATION

1992 BA/FA (painting) University of the Witwatersrand

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2012 data:process, The University of Johannesburg Art Gallery, Johannesburg
2009 Absent Fields, Goodman Gallery, Johannesburg
2006 Projected Development: Return to Begin, Aardklop Festival Artist, Potchefstroom
2005 Projected Development, Solo exhibition at Gallery MOMO, Johannesburg
2003 Absa Gallery, Johannesburg
2002 Joint exhibition with Stephanus Rademeyer, The Art Space, Johannesburg
1998 Atlantis, Mark Coetzee Fine Art Cabinet, Cape Town
1996 Record, Art Space, Newtown Cultural Precinct, Johannesburg

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2011 SA's first Annual International Land Art Event; Plettenberg Bay
2010 Twenty: South African sculpture of the last two decades curated by Andrew Lamprecht, Nirox Foundation; Johannesburg
2010 The winter show, The Goodman Gallery; Johannesburg
2010 ?, The Cairo Biennale; Cairo
2009 Contemporary Sculpture in the Landscape, Nirox Foundation; Johannesburg
2008 Intervention, UNISA Art Gallery, Tswane
2008 Production Marks, National Arts Festival, KZNSA Gallery, The Goethe Institute
2008 Heptad, The Art Space, Johannesburg
2007 Spier Contemporary 07, Stellenbosch

- 2007 Positive, Sun City
 - 2007 Aardklop 10, Potchefstroom
 - 2004 Brett Kebble Art Awards, Cape Town
 - 2002 Once were Painters, KKNK, Oudtshoorn
 - 2001 We Love our Customers, Hungarian Embassy, New York
 - 2000 Tour-guides of the Inner City, Urban Futures 2000, Rembrandt van Rijn Gallery, Johannesburg
 - 2000 Hoerikwaggo, South African National Gallery, Cape Town
 - 2000 Sasol New Signatures Revisited, Klein Karoo National Arts Festival, Oudtshoorn
 - 2000 Emotions and Relations, Sandton civic Art Gallery, Johannesburg
 - 1999 Channel, Association for Visual Arts, Cape Town
 - 1998 ! Xoe: Site Specific, Nieu-Bethesda, Eastern Cape
 - 1997 Taking Stock, Co-curated and exhibited, Johannesburg Stock Exchange, Johannesburg
 - 1997 Cyst: Works in Paint; Good Hope Gallery, The Castle, Cape Town
 - 1997 No. 4, Hillbrow Fort, Johannesburg
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AWARDS AND MERITS

- 2009 Nirox Foundation residency
 - 2008 Nominee, Mercedes-Benz Award for Art Project in Public Spaces
 - 2006 Beeld Plus Aartvark Award for Innovative Work, Aardklop Arts Festival, Potchefstroom
 - 2005 Final shortlist of three, Mandela Bay Statue of Freedom Competition (joint entry with Jeremy Rose of Mashabane Rose Architects)
 - 2004 Major Award, Brett Kebble Art Awards
 - 2002 Absa L'Atelier Competition
 - 2002 Joint second place, International Architecture Competition, Freedom Square, Kliptown, Johannesburg (group entry with Paragon Architects and Green Inc Landscape Architects)
 - 2001 Absa L'Atelier Merit Award
 - 2001 Ampersand Foundation Fellowship
 - 2000 De Kat Magazine 'Jakkals Award', KKNK, Oudtshoorn
 - 1998 Business & Arts South Africa grant - Montagu White bursary for overseas study
 - 1992 Merit Award, New Signatures, South African Association of Arts
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SELECTED COMMISSIONS AND WORKS IN PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

- 2012 Spier (In collaboration with Spier Architectural Arts), Stellenbosch, Cape Town
- 2012 Mandela sculpture, Howick, Natal Midlands
- 2011 Sharpeville memorial, Sharpeville, Johannesburg

- 2010 Tokara Wine Estate, Stellenbosch, Cape Town
- 2010 The Fields 2, Hatfield, Pretoria
- 2010 ABSA Towers West, Johannesburg
- 2010 Freedom Park, Member of professional design team, Pretoria (2004-10)
- 2009 Pieter Roos Park, Hillbrow (Commissioned by the Trinity Session, on behalf of the Johannesburg Development Agency)
- 2009 University of Johannesburg, Auckland Park
- 2009 Durban International Conference Centre, Durban
- 2009 NWU, Potchefstroom, North-West Province
- 2009 The Fields 1, Hatfield, Pretoria
- 2008 ABSA, 11 Diagonal Street, Johannesburg CBD (2007-2008)
- 2008 ABSA Capital, Sandton
- 2008 Baragwanath Taxi Rank, Soweto (Commissioned by the Trinity Session, on behalf of the Johannesburg Development Agency)
- 2008 Donald Mackay Park, Hillbrow (Commissioned by the Trinity Session, on behalf of the Johannesburg Development Agency)
- 2007 Anglo Gold Ashanti: Head office, Newtown, Johannesburg (2006-2007)
- 2006 Sunday Times Heritage Project: Origins Centre, Wits University, Johannesburg
- 2006 Department of Science and Technology: CSIR, Pretoria
- 2006 University of Johannesburg Arts Centre: Auckland Park, Johannesburg
- 2005 Forum Homini, The Cradle of Humankind, Gauteng
- 2005 MTN, Head office, Fairlands, Johannesburg (2002-2005)
- 2004 CTICC, Cape Town
- 2003 FNB Call Centre, Randburg, Johannesburg
- 2002 Roche Pharmaceuticals, Head office, Sebenza, Johannesburg
- 2002 Tristar Construction, Head office, Edenvale, Johannesburg
- 2001 Hollard Street Mall Upgrade, Hollard street Mall, Johannesburg CBD
- 2001 Pikitup, Head office, Braamfontein, Johannesburg
- 2001 Rosebank African Market, Rosebank, Johannesburg
- 2000 Media 24, Sandton, Johannesburg
- 1997 Faraday station Muti-Market Project: Faraday Station, Johannesburg CBD