

# BERNIER/ELIADES

**The Bernier/Eliades gallery is pleased to announce the representation of the Belgian artist Martin Margiela. Since 2009, Martin Margiela has devoted himself exclusively to the visual arts.**

We are happy to show for the first time in Brussels a work of the renowned Belgian artist Martin Margiela on our BRAFA booth 011.

Martin Margiela's visual practice spans a broad range of media, including painting, sculpture, installation, collage and film. His works attest to his fondness for the overlooked and unconventional. Margiela magnifies both disruptions and poetic junctions, seeking beauty in the fleeting. He believes that objects are always in a state of transformation, and he is intrigued by the marks of time. Important sources of inspiration for the artist are the human body, epidermis and hair, as well as the urban environment as an infinite place of wonder. Margiela's work is dedicated to the unknown and the surprising, in combination with an exceptional sensibility for materials.

Martin Margiela founded Maison Martin Margiela in 1988. Right after the twentieth anniversary of his eponymous brand, Margiela decided to leave the fashion world. Since then, he has devoted himself exclusively to the visual arts. During his career, several art museums exhibited his designs, including Bozar (Brussels), Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen (Rotterdam), Haus der Kunst (Munich), LACMA (Los Angeles) and Somerset House (London).

## BIOGRAPHY

Martin Margiela was born in 1957 in Leuven (BE). After attending the Sint-Lukas Kunsthumaniora art school in Hasselt, he entered the fashion department of the Royal Academy of Fine Arts in Antwerp in 1977. In 1988 he founded Maison Martin Margiela. During his career, several museums exhibited his designs, such as Bozar in Brussels, Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen in Rotterdam, Haus der Kunst in Munich, LACMA in Los Angeles and Somerset House in London, among others

## **Solo Exhibitions**

2024

Upcoming: *Martin Margiela*, Gallery Bernier/Eliades Athens & Brussels, March 2024

2022

*Martin Margiela at Lotte Museum* Lotte Museum of Art, Seoul, The Republic of Korea

*Martin Margiela at M WOODS* M WOODS Hutong, Beijing, China

*Martin Margiela: Self-Portraits* Eenwerk, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2021

*Martin Margiela Lafayette Anticipations*, Paris, France

## **Group Exhibitions**

2023

*Echo. Wrapped in Memory* MoMu, Antwerp, Belgium

*No Angels* Wilhelm Hallen, Berlin, Germany

*Man Ray en mode* MoMu, Antwerp, Belgium

2022

*40 Years Zeno X Gallery – the two-thousands* Zeno X Gallery Antwerp South, Antwerp, Belgium

2019

*L'homme qui marche / Verkörperung des sperrigen* Kunsthalle Bielefeld, Bielefeld, Germany

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