BRAFA 2022 Press Release

MARUANI MERCIER is pleased to showcase a solo exhibition for Arne Quinze at BRAFA 2022, who will also be the fair's guest of honor. Quinze will takeover the gallery's booth walls, transforming it into an immersive atelier featuring new paintings inspired by his garden, and sketches that offer insight into his process.

As part of his role as BRAFA's guest of honor, Quinze will also be exhibiting largeformat paintings including a quadriptych inspired by the four seasons, a series of works on paper, a monumental sculpture, and spatial sound and video installations beyond the walls of the gallery's booth. As is the tradition at BRAFA, the artist will design the fair's carpet which will trickle into the booth. Taking place from 19 to 26 June 2022 at Brussels Expo-Heysel, Quinze is the youngest and first Belgian artist ever to be selected as the guest of honor in the fair's history.

Born in 1971, Arne Quinze currently lives and works in Sint-Martens-Latem, Belgium near the city of Ghent. He began his career in the 1980s as a graffiti artist which naturally evolved into public art that interacts with recurring themes such as social interaction, urbanization, and diversity. A monumental wooden construction titled *Uchronia* built with his team in the Nevada desert in 2006 highlights his ongoing quest to find coexistence between culture and nature. Today many of Quinze's installations are considered monuments that present a unique dynamic within urban environments in cities including Paris, Shanghai, Beirut, Washington D.C., Brussels, Mumbai, and São Paulo. One of his monumental sculptures from the *Lupine* series is currently on view at the Venice Biennale for the duration of the event in the botanical garden of Serra dei Giardini.

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PRACTICAL INFORMATION MARUANI MERCIER - Stand 57

LOCATION Brussels Expo I Heysel, Palais 3 & 4 (entrée) Place de Belgique 1, 1020 Bruxelles, Belgique

FAIR PUBLIC OPENING DAYS

Sunday 19 June 2022 - 11 am - 7 pm Monday 20 June 2022 - 11 am - 7 pm Tuesday 21 June 2022 - 11 am - 7 pm Wednesday 22 June 2022 - 11 am - 7 pm Thursday 23 June 2022 - 11 am - 10 pm Friday 24 June 2022 - 11 am - 7 pm Saturday 25 June 2022 - 11 am - 7 pm Sunday 26 June 2022 - 11 am - 7 pm

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GALLERY HOURS

Monday to Saturday from 11h00 to 18h00

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