

ETHAN COHEN

ARMAND BOUA

Lives and works in Abidjan, Ivory Coast
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Armand Boua deals with the human condition, as a response to the inhumanity he sees in the world around him. His works, depicting the formless figures of forgotten children, testify to the violence that continues to characterize the political struggles of West Africa. His aesthetic is one born out of an engagement with found material, to which he applies his signature forms that evoke images and scenes in remembrance. Working in Abidjan, the economic capital at the crossroads of urbanization and industrialization, Boua experiences the Ivorian landscape with a heightened sensitivity. His observations of children are drawn largely from street scenes where urban migrations create ethnic, linguistic, cultural and social entanglements that have come to enrich and problematize the region in equal measure.

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SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 MANAWA, OOA (Out of Africa) Gallery, Sitges, Spain
- 2023 Les Invisibles, Montresso Red Garden Foundation,
Marrakech, Morocco
- 2022 Everything's Alright, Ethan Cohen Gallery, New York, NY
Focus: Armand Boua, Ethan Cohen Gallery at the KuBe
Art Center, Beacon, NY
- 2021 Les Marrakas, Jack Bell Gallery, London, UK
Les Enfants de Yopougon, Montresso Art Foundation,
Marrakech, Morocco
- 2020 Les Gnambros, Jack Bell Gallery, Online
- 2019 Yopougon, Adjamé, Liberté, Galerie Cécile Fakhoury,
Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire
Kpuman De Kekechoz, Jack Bell Gallery, London, UK

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- 2018 Armand Boua – Mogo de Poy City”, Jack Bell Gallery, London, UK
Brobrosseurs, Galerie Cécile Fakhoury, Dakar, Sénégal
Dans le Djassa, Galerie Lars Kristian Bode, Hamburg, Germany
- 2017 Children of Africa, by Armand Boua @ Create Hub Gallery, AKKA Project, Dubai, UAE
Armand Boua, Clache Moi Jack Bell Gallery, London, UK
- 2016 Forgotten People, Ethan Cohen Gallery, New York, NY
Armand Boua, Les Zinzins, Jack Bell Gallery, London, UK
- 2015 Djossi a Yopougon, Jack Bell Gallery, London, UK
- 2014 Enfants de la Rue, Jack Bell Gallery, London, UK

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Voices of Africa, Roma Gallery, Athens, Greece
- 2024 Africans Everywhere: LA Collection Margaux et Raphaël Blavy @ Saint-Épain, Cécile Fakhoury, Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire
African Tunes: Visionie Contraddizioni Di Uno Stradordinario Continente @ The Project Space – Annalisa Bugliani Arte, Cécile Fakhoury, Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire

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Back to School Art Festival, Ethan Cohen KuBe, Beacon, NY

Côte d'Ivoire est zo, OpenArtExchange, Schiedam, Netherlands

Out of Africa Seminal Works of Contemporary Africa and its Diaspora, Ethan Cohen KuBe, Beacon, NY

Afrovision: The Art & Fashion Experience, OOA Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

2023 Animula Vagula Blandula, LIS10 Gallery, the Project Space, Pietrasanta, Italy

L'Art Dans La Cité @ La Rotonde Des Arts, Cécile Fakhoury, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

Africa Supernova, Kunsthal KAdE, Amersfoort, Netherlands

Reversed Safari, Triumph Gallery, Moscow, Russia

2022 Ethan Cohen Gallery, VOLTA NY, New York, NY

Under the African Sun, Ethan Cohen KuBe, Beacon, NY

Ethan Cohen Gallery, Palm Beach Modern and Contemporary, Palm Beach, FL

La Biennale Di Venezia, Ivory Coast Pavilion, *The Dreams of A Story*, Venice, Italy

Biennale de Dakar @ Dakar, Cécile Fakhoury, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

2021 Africa On My Mind, Ethan Cohen KuBe, New York, NY

Afrique Nouvelle Vague, Ethan Cohen Gallery, New York, NY

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- 2020 Ethan Cohen Gallery, New York, NY
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair New York, Online
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, London, UK
A response in uncertain times, Bode Projects
- 2019 In-discipline, Fondation Montresso*, Marrakech, Morocco
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Galerie Cécile
Fakhoury, Marrakech, Morocco
Kubatana, Vestfossen Kunstlaboratorium, Oslo, Norway
- 2018 Artistic Surgery for Broken Faces, Piasa, Paris, France
Talisman in the Age of Difference", Jack Bell Gallery,
London, UK
- 2017 1:54 London 2017, Jack Bell Gallery, London
Devil in Disguise, Jack Bell Gallery, London
VOLTA NY, Ethan Cohen Gallery, New York, NY
- 2016 Art Miami 2016, Ethan Cohen Gallery, Miami, FL
- 2015 Pangea II: New Art from Africa and Latin America,
Saatchi Gallery, London, UK
CONTEXT: Art Miami 2015, Ethan Cohen Gallery, Miami,
FL
FLAUNT: Africa New Wave, Ethan Cohen Gallery, New
York, NY
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Pioneer Works, New
York, NY
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Sommerset House,
London, UK

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- 2013 Art et Nature, 4e edition, Katadji, Côte d'Ivoire
- 2012 Un regard sur Abidjan, Société EIFFAGE, Dakar, Sénégal
- 2011 Salon International des Arts Plastiques, Abidjan (SIAPA), Côte d'Ivoire
- 2010 DAK'ART, Biennale of Contemporary African Art, Dakar, Sénégal
Festival d'Essaouira, Essaouira, Morocco
- 2007 Pinceau d'Afrique, Stockholm, Sweden
Festival des Arts Visuels, AVA, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

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