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Luc Courchesne

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Born St-Léonard d'Aston, Québec, 1952 Lives and works in Montréal

## Education

Master of Science in Visual Studies, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge (1984); Bachelor of Design in Communication, Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, Halifax (1974)

## Affiliations

Represented by Pierre-François Ouellette art contemporain in Montreal (since 2003). Member of the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts (2010-). Professor (1986-2013) and director (2005-09), École de design industriel, Université de Montréal. Boardmember (1996-2014) and associate researcher (2003-2018), Society for Arts and technology (SAT). Boardmember, Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec (2008-2012). Scientific advisory board for the new Montreal Planétarium (2008-09). Expert for the Swiss National Science Foundation (2007-2008). Member of the Stirling Committee for the Information Technology Cluster, Montreal International (2004-2007). Artist in residence, IAMAS (International Academy for Media Arts and Sciences), Ogaki City, Japan (2000-01). Artist in residence, Museum of New Zealand, Wellington (1997-98). President, Society for Arts and Technology (SAT), Montréal (1996-2005). Member of the Advisory Board for Media Arts, Canada Council (1996-99). Secretary of the Faculté de l'aménagement, Université de Montréal (1994-1997). Artist in residence, Zentrum für Kunst und Medientechnologie (ZKM), Karlsruhe (1995). Vice-president, ISEA95 Montréal (International Symposium on Electronic Art -- Sept. 17-24, 1995). Artist in residence, Institut Méditerranéen de Recherche et de Création (IMEREC), Marseille (1992-93). Board member, Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois, Montréal (1990-93). President, PRIM, Montreal (1987-92). President, Compagnie Marie Chouinard (1987- 95). Research fellow, Center for Advanced Visual Studies, MIT, Cambridge (1984-85). Senior designer, GSM Design, Montréal (1974-82).

## Work

Photography :

Panosopic Journal (2000-). Nocturnes Series (2008-)

Interactive video installations:

Naked in Paradise (2013-2019). McLuhan's Massage Parlor (2011); The Posture Platform for immersive telepresence (2010-); You are here (2010); Where are you? (2005-2010); Untitled (2002); The Visitor : Living by Numbers (2001); Panoscopic Journal (2000); Panoscope 360 (2000); Rendez-vous... sur les bancs publics (1999); Portrait Collection for the Museum of Communication, Berne (1999); Jeu de chaises (1998); Passages (1998); Landscape One (1997); Hall of Shadows (1996); Portrait of Paula

Dawson (1994); Family Portrait (1993); Bostonian Suite (1992); Portrait of Claude Jutra (1991); Portrait One (1990); Encyclopedia Chiaroscuro (1987); Elastic Movies (1984).

CD-ROM / Book:

Portrait One in Artintact 2; Karlsruhe : ZKM and Cantz Verlag; 1995, pp.114

Single channel video:

Shore Series (2008), Horizons (2007); Pérignonka - 07/2006 (2006); Venise - 7/2005 (2005); Letter to the Unknown (1986); A

Corridor Afternoon (1985); The Lightproof Suit (1983); Paula (1983); Twelve of Us (1982); Marie à New York (1982); Bob Rosinsky's Sister (1982).

Thematic exhibitions:

Québec-France : Images et Mirages, Musée de la civilisation, Québec (2000) and Musée National des Arts et Traditions Populaires, Paris (1999); Five Virtual Historical Beings (1992), for Pointe-à-Callière, Musée d'archéologie et d'histoire de Montréal; Homme-oiseau (1989), Le grand monde de la marionnette (1988), for the Musée de la civilisation, Québec; Louis St-Laurent National Historic Park (1981) for Parcs Canada; Olympic Games in Greek Antiquity, Greek Pavilion (1976), for Man and his World, Montréal.

Costume and stage/lighting design:

Chroniques de la lumière, concert by composer Francis Dhomont (1989), L'après-midi d'un faune, dance performance by Marie Chouinard (1987)

Objects/furniture:

Showcase Table for the Consortium multimédia CESAM, Montréal (1998); Viewing/Listening Stations for the ZKM/Mediathek, Karlsruhe (1996-97); Sac Boule (1975).

### **Awards / Grants**

Prix Paul-Émile Borduas (Prix du Québec 2019). Research-creation funding, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Canada (2009-2012). Octas 2007, Digital Arts Category, Fédération informatique du Québec (2007). Selection, ARCO'07, Madrid (February 2007). Sélection ACM Multimedia, Santa Barbara (November 2006). Personality of the month (June 2005), Fédération informatique du Québec; Honorary Mention, Priz Ars Electronica, Linz (2002); project grant, Fondation Daniel Langlois (2000); Interactive Art's Award of Distinction, Priz Ars Electronica, Linz, Austria (1999); Grand Prix, ICC Biennale '97, NTT InterCommunication Centre, Tokyo (1997); Honorary mention, Priz Ars Electronica, Linz, Austria (1992); grant, Ministère de la Culture, France (1991); project grants, Canada Arts Council (1985, 89, 92, 94, 96, 99); project grant, Ministère des Affaires culturelles du Québec (1989, 95, 97); Best Record Cover, ADISQ (1985); Award of excellence in exhibition design, Graphisme Québec (1984); grant, Design Canada (1982), Silver Medal, Concours Lépine, Paris (1980); Grand Prize, Salon mondial des inventions, Bruxelles (1979)

Exhibitions / Screenings (partial list)

2010 : CODE, Winter Olympic Games Art Program, Vancouver.

2009 : TIAF (Toronto); eArts and Beyond, Shanghai, Chine; Mois de la Photo, Montréal; EspooCiné Festival, Espoo, Finlande; Galerie Pierre-François Ouellette Art Contemporain.

2008 : Synthetic Times, NAMOC, Beijing, China.

2007 : ARCO, Madrid; e-art, Musée des beaux-arts de Montréal; TIAF, Toronto; Off FIAC, Paris.

2006 : ACM Multimedia, UC Santa Barbara, CA; Art212, New York; Pierre-François Ouellette Art Contemporain, Montréal; Diva, New York; ARCO, Madrid; Wired's NextFest, New York; Art Chicago; 06 en Scène, Nice, France.

2005 : Interactive 05, Toronto Art Fair; SAT, Montréal; Laval Virtual, Laval, France; Wired's NextFest, Chicago.

2004 : Art&D, Société des arts technologiques, Montréal; Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal; Digital Avant-Garde : 25 Years of the Prix Ars Electronica, Eyebeam, New York City and Ars Electronica Center, Linz Austria; Laval Virtual, Laval, France.

2003 : TPW Gallery, Toronto; Sala Montcada, Barcelona; Kiasma, Helsinki; C3 Budapest; Pari Nadimi Gallery, Toronto; Pierre François Ouellette Art Contemporain, Montréal; Souffleurs d'images, Lille 2004, Lille, France.

2002 : SAT, Montréal; Transmediale, Berlin; Australian Center for the Moving Image, Melbourne; Ars Electronica festival, Linz; Future Cinema, ZKM, Karlsruhe; Videotage, Hong Kong; Wood Street Gallery, Pittsburg.

2001 : Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney; Interaction 01, Ogaki City , Japan.

2000: Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo; Espace SAT, Montréal; Siggraph 2000, New Orleans; Siemens Forum Berlin; Siemens Forum, Erlangen.

1999: Bonner Kunstverein, Bonn; Siemens Forum, Munich; Museum of Communication, Bern; Cité des Sciences et de l'Industrie -- La Villette, Paris; Kiasma, Helsinki; Musée National des Arts et Traditions Populaires, Paris; Pixel, Museum of Communication, Bern; Ars Electronica, Linz.

1998: Centre Culturel Canadien, Paris; Te Papa Tongarewa / Museum of New Zealand, Wellington; Festival Exit, Créteil, France; Festival Via, Maubeuge, France; NTT InterCommunication Center, Tokyo; Tokyo Museum of Photography; Musée canadien de la photographie contemporaine, Ottawa; Avatar, Amsterdam; Centre d'exposition, Aix-en-Provence; Centre d'exposition de l'Université de Montréal; Cinémathèque québécoise, Montréal.

1997: NTT InterCommunication Center, Tokyo; Medienmuseum ZKM/Karlsruhe; Multimediale 5, ZKM/Karlsruhe.

1996: Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal; The Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney; Ars Electronica Festival, Linz; DEAF96, Rotterdam.

1995: '95 Kwangju Biennale, Korea; Interaction 95, Gifu, Japan; Triennale di Milano, Milan ; MultiMediale 4, Karlsruhe, Germany; The Power Plant, Toronto.

1994: Artifices3, Paris; Museum of Modern Art, New York; UCLA, Los Angeles; Ian Potter Gallery, Melbourne, Australia; New Zealand Tour; Musée d'art contemporain, Nice.

1993: National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa; Siggraph '93, Anaheim, California; Centre de la Vieille Charité, Marseille; Muu Media Festival, Helsinki.

1992: Third International Symposium on Electronic Art, Sydney, Australia.

1991: Centre d'exposition des gouverneurs, Sorel, Québec; Festival du cinéma québécois, Blois, France; Siggraph '91, Las Vegas; Cinémathèque, Montreal; Obscure, Québec.

1990: TED 2, Monterey; PRIM, Montreal; Center for Art Tapes, Halifax; Centre de la Vieille Charite, Marseille.

1989: Quinzaine de la vidéo, Montréal; PRIM, Montréal.

1988: Image Forum, Tokyo; Grey Art Gallery, New York; Festival vidéo, Liège; BF/VF, Boston.

1987: Maison de la culture du Plateau Mont-Royal, Montréal; Gen-Lock, Genève; Channel 14, Winnipeg.

1986: Centre international d'art contemporain, Montreal; Aventure, canadian tour; Art New Vision '86, Tokyo; The Red Vic Movie House, San Francisco.

1985: New York Film Market, New York; Holland Festival; Vidéographe, Montréal; Les événements du neuf, Montreal.

1984: Video Free America, San Francisco; 13e festival international du nouveau cinéma et de la vidéo, Montréal; Rear Window, ICA, Boston; MIT Film/Video Section, Cambridge.

1983: 12e festival international du nouveau cinéma et de la vidéo, Montréal; Institute of Contemporary art (Boston), MIT Film/Video Section, Cambridge.

#### Patents

Dispositif de fermeture pour sacs en matière souple (Canada, Etats-Unis, France, Allemagne, Italie (1977) ; Panoramic and horizontally immersive image display method and system, US Patent no. 6,905,218 B2 (2005). Industrial patents for the Panoscope 360° (2006)

#### **Selected Bibliography (Writings about Luc Courchesne's work)**

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Luc Courchesne's work (partial list untill 1997)

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Bérubé, Stéphanie, "Courchesne: plus vrai que nature", La Presse, 29 novembre 1997, p. D15

Bunbury, Stephanie, "Life Stories", The Age, 26 February 1994, p.10.

Candalino, Nini, Due Passi fra le Nuvole, Farevideo, Marzo 1991, p.53

Carrière Daniel, "Le printemps de PRIM vidéo," Le Devoir, 31 March 1990, p. c-7.

Copper, Jackie, Galleries switch on digital artistry, The Australian, June 4 1996, p 33

Coulter-Smith, Graham, "Bitching about the Boundary", Eyeline , No. 21, Autumn 1993, pp. 15-17.

Cron, Marie-Michèle, "Le Monde virtuel de Luc Courchesne", Le Devoir, 24 December 1993, p. C-8.

Doyle Driedger, Sharon, "Hi-tech art that talks back", Maclean's, April 25, 1995. pp.60-61

Gagnon, Jean, "Le langage video de Boston", Le Devoir, 26 October 1984, p. 6.  
Hansen, David, "Real Life", Art Monthly Australia, April 1994. pp.30-31.  
Kivirinta, Marja-Terttu, "Juttuseurana romanttinen tietokone", Helsingin Sanomat, Sunnuntaina 4. huhtikuuta 1993, p. B1  
La Chance, Michaël, "L'image est un artéfact", Spirale, May 1989, p. 3.  
Malphetes, Stéphanie, "Salon des ombres", Le Monde, 27 décembre 1996.  
Merle, Patrick, "Vidéo: Courchesne en huit dimensions", Le Méridional, 4 July 1993, p. B-1.  
Ots, Angela, "Interactive images commune", The Evening Post, February 3 1997, p.10  
Ross, Christine, "TV or not TV", Parachute, No. 40, September/October, November 1985, p.34  
Rubinstein, Rhonda, "Talking Portraits", Wired, May 1994, pp. 28-29.  
Goldberg, Vicki, "Art That Turns Television Frogs Into Princes", The New York Times, Sunday, July 31st 1994, P. H31  
Taubin, Amy, "Pleased to meet me", The Village Voice, August 16, 1994, p. 40

### **Catalogs and books featuring Luc Courchesne's work (partial list until 1997)**

Bérubé, Anne, Cotton, Sylvie ed., "L'installation, pistes et territoires", Montréal: Centre des arts actuels Skol, 1997, 256 p.

Blase, Christoph, "Hardware, Software, Artwear", Karlsruhe: Herausgeber/Editor, 1997, 199 p.

Boissier, Jean-Louis, Duguet, Anne-Marie, "Artifices 3", Paris: 11 nov. - 11 déc. 1994, p.21-22

Bourdon, Luc, "12e Festival international du nouveau cinéma", Montréal: Cinéma Parallèle, 4-13 novembre 1993, p. 90.

Coelho, René et al., "Canadian Video Art", Amsterdam: Holland Festival, 3-22 June 1985, p.37

Dinkla, Sôke, "Pioniere Interaktiver Kunst", Ostfildern/Karlsruhe: Cantz Verlag/Edition ZKM, 1997, 270 p.

Dompierre, Louise, "Press Enter", Toronto: The Power Plant, 21 April -- 11 June, 1995, pp 176

Déry, Louise, Gingras, Nicole, ed., "El cos, la llengua, les paraules, la pell : Artistes contemporanis del Québec" Centre d'art Santa Monica, Barcelone, 25 février-31 mars 1999, Québec: Musée du Québec, 1999, 191 p.

Gagnon, Jean et al., "Luc Courchesne: Interactive Portraits", Ottawa: The National Gallery of Canada, 13 Nov. 93 - 9 Jan. 94. 15 p.

Huhtamo, Erkki, "Interactive Garden", Third Exhibition of Interactive Art, Helsinki: Otso Gallery. 3-25 April 1993, pp. 4, 16-17.

Hong-hee, Kim, Goodman, Cynthia, "Info Art, '95 Kwangju Biennale", Ma Po-ku: Kwangju Biennale Foundation, 1995, 345 p.

Klotz, Heinrich, "MultiMediale 4", Karlsruhe: Zentrum fur Kunst und Medientechnologie, 12 - 24 May 1995, p. 54

Léger, Danièle and Tourangeau, Jean, "Aventure", Montréal: Saidye Bronfman Center, 15 May - 15 June 1987. pp. 3-21.

Lovejoy, Margot, "Postmodern Currents, Art and Artists in the Age of Electronic Media", Upper Saddle River : Simon & Shuster, 1997, 319 p.

London, Barbara, "Projects 47" : Luc Courchesne, New York: The Museum of Modern Art, 13 June - 23 August 1994, 4 p. Lynn, Victoria, "No Exit", Sydney: The Art Gallery of New South Wales, 22 May - 30 June 1996

Monno, Saverio, "Beyond the Global Village", Milan: Triennale di Milano, 22 May - 23 June 1995, pp. 50-51.

Nakamura, Keiji ed. "ICC Biennale '97. Tokyo: NTT InterCommunication Center, 1997, 88 p.

Racine, Yolande, "Corps à la dérive" Montréal: Musée d'art contemporain, 24 January - 4 March 1996, 6 p.

Reichardt, Jasia, "Electronically Yours", Tokyo: Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, June 27, August 26, 1998, 165 p. Ross, David, "Boston: Now", Boston, Institute of Contemporary Art, 1983, pp. 3, 10-11.

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Sakane, Itsuo ed., "The Interaction '95, Dialogue with Media Art", Ogaki City : IAMAS, 1995, 55 p.

Schöpf, Christine et al. "Der Prix Ars Electronica". Linz: Leopoldsdeder, 1992, pp. 118-119.

Toshihiro, Yatshumonji, et al., "Art New Vision '86", Tokyo: Nippon High Technology Arts Festival, The Gallery, Seibu Department Store, 1986, p. 16.

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The Visitor : Living by Numbers, in *Future Cinema*, Karlsruhe : ZKM/Cants Verlag, 2003.

De l'autre côté du Miroir, in *Jouable : Art, jeu et interactivité*. Genève : Centre pour l'image contemporaine, 2005, pp. 41-45.

Luc Courchesne in *Rewind to the Future*. 1999: Bonn, Bonner Kunstverein, pp. 54-57

Day Dawns, Light Appears, Let us open our eyes... in *Lumières, Perception-Projection, Les Cent jours d'art contemporain*, Montréal, 1986. Montréal: Centre international d'art contemporain, 1 August-2 November 1986, pp. 35-48, 68-69.

La lumière et le visiteur, in *L'éclairage dans les institutions muséales*, Quebec City: Musée de la civilisation et Société des musées québécois, 1992, pp. 19-34.

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Portrait One, in Tomorrows Realities, Las Vegas: SIGGRAPH, 1991, p.20.

#### Articles in magazines

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Panoscope 360 in Emerging Technology/Sketches and Applications, Siggraph '00, 2000, 4 pages.  
Techniques nouvelles en muséographie, in Musées, vol. 14 no 3 (Montréal), pp. 63-69.  
La recherche de l'immatériel, in Informel, vol. 4 no 1, pp. 36-40.

#### Reports and Web publications

Art making as Forging Evidence

<http://www.din.umontreal.ca/courchesne/conférences.html>]

Fragile Nights : A collection of Ideas on Light Darkness and Human Behavior

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Pointe-à-Callière, Musée d'archéologie et d'histoire de Montréal. Mise en valeur des vestiges archéologiques : Approche conceptuelle. Juin 1999

<http://www.din.umontreal.ca/vestiges>]

#### Selected conferences

Figures de l'interactivité: Cinéma, Interactivité et Société, Poitiers, France (2008)

Travaux récents, Université de Paris 1, Paris (2008)

Synthetic Times, NAMOC, Beijing (2008)

Synthetic Times, MoMA/The New School, New York City (2008)

Panoscope 360°, Colloque du CITÉ, Montréal (2007)

La multiplication des écrans, UQAM, Montréal (2007)

Interfaces Montréal, Société des arts technologiques, Montréal (2005) ;

Digital Avant-Garde, Austrian Cultural Center, New York City (2004) ;

Digital Avant Garde, Lintos Museum, Linz (2004) ;

The Visitor : Living by Numbers, La Caixa Forum, Barcelone (2004) ;

On collecting Media art, Conférence des directeurs de musées, Centre Canadien d'architecture, Montréal

(2004) ; Recent Work, Artist Talk, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney (2001)

On immersivity and interactivity, Cinemadia lecture séries, Melbourne (2001) ;

Panoscope 360o, Siggraph 2000, New Orleans (2000) ;

The Making of Landscape One, Siemens Forum, Berlin (2000) ;

The Making of Landscape One, Siemens Forum, Erlangen (2000) ;

The Making of Landscape One, Siemens Forum, Munich (2000).

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