

**GALERIE**  
**LA FOREST DIVONNE**  
PARIS + BRUSSELS

**VINCENT BIOULÈS**

*Allegro*

**EXHIBITION**

May 16 to July 6, 2024

**OPENING**

Thursday, May 16 | 5 - 9 p.m



Vincent Bioulès, *L'Étang de l'Or ou le grand soir*, Oil on canvas, 130 x 195 cm, 2023 © Pierre Schwartz

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Vincent Bioulès, *La Glycine*, Oil on canvas, 195 x 130 cm, 2023 © Pierre Schwartz

# 1. PRESS RELEASE

Galerie La Forest Divonne - Brussels  
Vincent Bioulès - *Allegro*  
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From May 16 to July 6, Galerie La Forest Divonne presents an exhibition by Vincent Bioulès, an emblematic figure in painting since the 1970s.

At 86, this outstanding painter presents an exhibition full of pleasure, color and youth. The work of a man who marvels at the power of nature and the variety of its colors, materials and light. Vincent Bioulès returns to the places that form «the space of his soul»: the familiar landscapes of the Pic Saint Loup, the Etang de l'Or, the Port of Carnon, the houses he lives in or remembers...

The geography of a life, which Bioulès revisits with sensual, lively painting, as if the artist wanted to console us for the troubles of the world by inviting the visitor to see its beauty in spite of everything. The exhibition will undoubtedly inspire energy and wonder in those who see it, and reenergize them with this lesson in painting, celebrating humanity's dream harmony with nature.



Vincent Bioulès, *Le Port de Carnon*, Oil on canvas, 130 x 162 cm, 2023 © Pierre Schwartz

«I think we have a very strong attachment to certain sites, certain landscapes that we've traveled through and that perhaps define a little the space of our soul, of our sensibility. So, of course, as we get older, our sensitivity becomes more exasperated. With each spring, nature's growth becomes more beautiful in my eyes. It's infinitely more beautiful at my age than when I was 20 or 30, because I know now that I only have a few years left to live. The world is ever more present, ever more beautiful.»

Vincent Bioulès

## 2. VINCENT BIOULÈS

Born in 1938, Vincent Bioulès has been a major figure in French painting since the 1960s, and is represented in all major French public collections.

Founder of the avant-garde Support / Surface movement in the 1970s, with fellow artists Claude Viallat, Jean-Pierre Pincemin and Louis Cane, Vincent Bioulès soon left the group to chart his own independent and free course. His work and his teaching at the Ecole Nationale des Beaux-Arts de Paris have had a major impact on generations of young artists. The major retrospective devoted to him by the Musée Fabre in 2019, with almost 200 paintings, showed the breadth of his work, from the radical abstractions of the 1960s to the most recent canvases, affirmations of a limitless plenitude and enjoyment of painting.

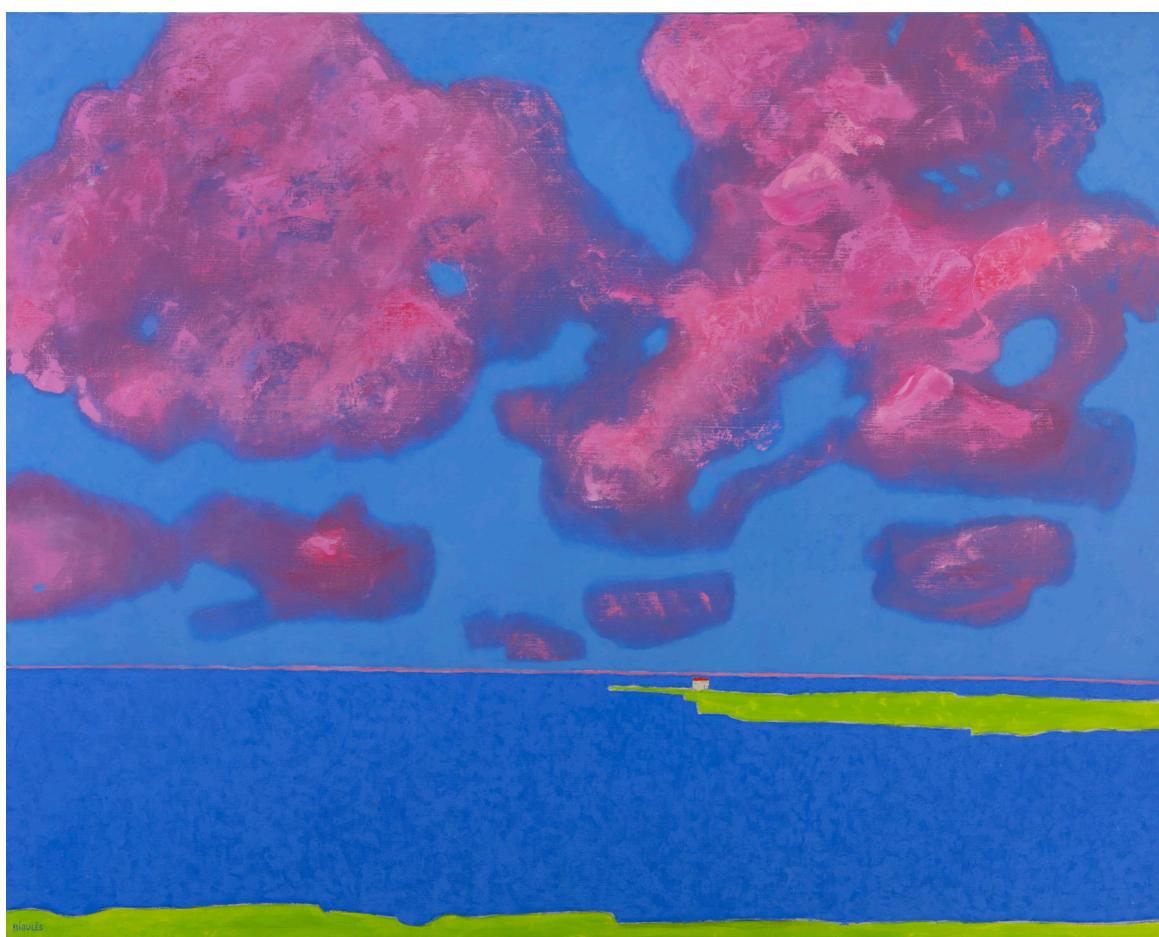
Critics describe him as the French David Hockney, for his color, inventiveness and hedonism. When the Centre Pompidou's contemporary art collections are rearranged in 2022, visitors will be greeted by a monumental canvas by Vincent Bioulès, the museum's tribute to the artist's importance on the contemporary scene.



Vincent Bioulès



Vincent Bioulès, *19h45.07.23 I*, Oil on canvas, 130 x 162 cm, 2023 © Pierre Schwartz



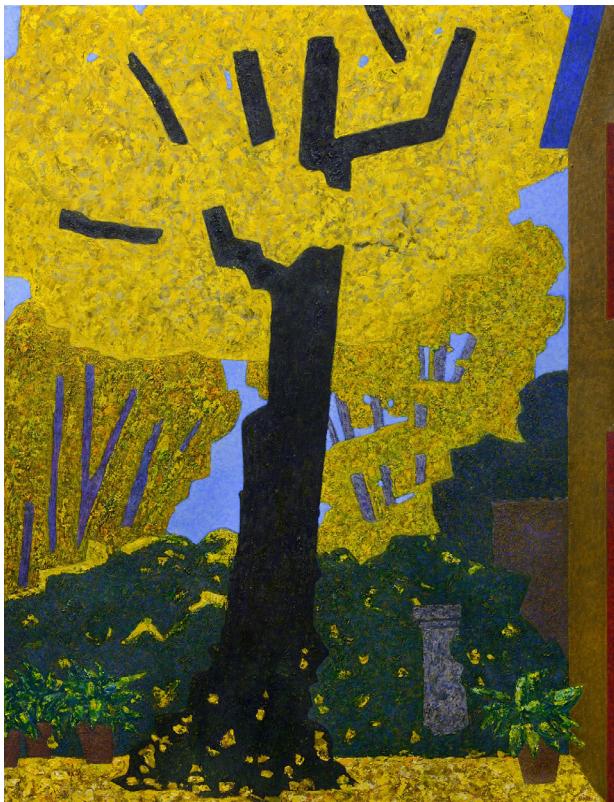
Vincent Bioulès, *19h45.07.23 II*, Oil on canvas, 130 x 162 cm, 2023 © Pierre Schwartz

### 3. VINCENT BIOULÈS AT THE DOMAINE DE CHAUMONT-SUR-LOIRE

From March 30 to October 27, 2024, the Domaine de Chaumont-sur-Loire will devote a major exhibition to Vincent Bioulès, on the theme of nature and landscapes. The exhibition will occupy all the château's galleries, which are dedicated each year to a major artist (Pierre Alechinsky in 2023). The exhibition will feature some forty paintings and will be the subject of a catalog published by the Domaine de Chaumont.

[...] Let's leave the Historic Park and join other extravagances, other visions of nature. Let's enter worlds bursting with gardens, flowers, leaves, earth and even pollen. In the upper galleries of the Château, we discover the subtly playful atmosphere of painter Vincent Bioulès, with some forty paintings on nature and landscape, radiating an exceptional science of color and light. [...]

Extract from the press release  
Chantal Colleu-Dumond  
Director of the Domaine and curator of the Art Season



Vincent Bioulès, *L'Automne dans mon jardin*,  
Oil on canvas, 200 x 150 cm, 2016



Vincent Bioulès, *Le Soir dans le jardin*,  
Oil on canvas, 195 x 130 cm, 2015

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# 4. BIOGRAPHY OF VINCENT BIOULÈS

## SOLO SHOWS

- 2024 *Une Peinture de plaisir*, Galerie La Forest Divonne Brussels  
*Vincent Bioulès*, Domaine de Chaumont-sur-Loire
- 2023 *Vincent Bioulès, Peintures de 1970 à 2023*. Curated by Catherine Millet, Art Paris 2023  
Galerie La Forest Divonne Paris + Brussels
- 2022 *Au bord de l'eau par Vincent Bioulès*, Musée Regards de Provence, Marseille  
*Paysages de mémoire*, Solo Show, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Paris
- 2021 *Jardin(s)*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Brussels
- 2020 *Les douze mois de l'année*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Paris
- 2019 *Rétrospective*, Musée Fabre, Montpellier
- 2018 *Au dedans/Au dehors*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Paris
- 2016 *La lumière et le motif*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Brussels
- 2015 *Peintures et dessins*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Paris  
*Vincent Bioulès en vacances*, la Lozère aux sources de l'inspiration, Maison Consulaire, Mende
- 2014 *David et Vincent Bioulès*, Curated by : Régine de Boussac, Château de Jau, Cases de Penes, Pyrénées Orientales  
*Le débarquement à Cythère*, Caen Museum of Fine Arts, France  
Angèle and Roger Tribouilloy Auditorium, Bondy
- 2013 Galerie Vieille du Temple, Paris
- 2012 *Maguelone*, Galerie Hélène Trintignant, Montpellier  
Musée Ingres, Chemins de Rome à Montauban, Montauban  
Musée Fabre, Montpellier
- 2011 *Roma*, Cabinet de dessins Jean Bonna, École Nationale Supérieure des Beaux- Arts de Paris
- 2010 Galerie Vieille du Temple, Galerie Bernard Ceysson
- 2009 *Face Nord*, Galerie Alain Paire, Aix-en-Provence  
*Vincent Bioulès et la Villa Médicis*, Les dessins romains, Hôtel Estrine, Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, Gobelins Chapel, Paris
- 2008 *Choses vues*, Galerie Hélène Trintignant, Montpellier
- 2006 *D'Orcival à Aigues-Mortes*, Galerie Vidal-Saint Phalle, Paris  
*Espace et Paysage, 1966-2006*, Céret Museum of Modern Art  
*L'Atelier gris*, Tapestry Museum, Aix-en-Provence  
*Pas à pas à travers l'Atelier Gris*, Galerie Alain Paire, Aix-en-Provence
- 2005 *Figures*, Galerie Athanor, Marseille
- 2004 *Approche d'Aigues-Mortes*, Capuchin Chapel, Aigues-Mortes  
*Le Voyage à Aigues-Mortes*, Galerie Hélène Trintignant, Montpellier
- 2003 *Le Pic Saint-Loup, l'autre montagne*, Galerie Alain Paire, Atelier Cézanne, Aix-en-Provence  
*Le Pic Saint-Loup*, Galerie Hélène Trintignant, Montpellier
- 2002 *A l'intérieur des terres*, Galerie Hélène Trintignant, Montpellier ; Galerie Vidal-Saint-Phalle, Paris  
*Un autre Bioulès*, Château Borély, Marseille  
*Nus, paysages et mythologies*, Villa Tamaris, La Seyne-sur-Mer

- 2001 *Autour de Vincent Bioulès : Vincent Bioulès avant Supports /Surfaces, 1958-1970*, Ursulines Chapel, Quimperlé  
*Œuvres graphiques, parcours, 1955-2000*, Galerie Tal-Coat, Hennebont  
*Le paysage à Marseille dans les années 1990*, Ecole Supérieure d'Art, Lorient  
*Portraits, nus, paysages et mythologies*, Musée d'Art Roger-Quilliot, Clermont-Ferrand
- 2000 *Mythologies*, Galerie Vidal-Saint Phalles, Paris  
*Nus, paysages et mythologies*, Espace Ecureuil, Toulouse  
*Au fil de l'eau*, Les Fontaines d'Aix, Tapestry Museum, Aix-en Provence
- 1999 *Landscapes, seaside views*, Curated by : Thibault et Mariana de Saint Phalle, Alliance Française de Naples, Floride, Etats-Unis  
*Vincent Bioulès, Jalons, 40 ans de peinture, rétrospective*, CRAC Alsace, Altkirch
- 1998 *Dessins sur le temps liturgique, L'Avant et Noël, Pâques, Pentecôte et la Toussaint*, Galerie Saint-Séverin, Paris
- 1997 *Sur le motif II*, Galerie Hélène Trintignant, Montpellier
- 1996 *La Mer*, Vacances bleues, Marseille  
*Sur le motif*, Galerie Vidal-Saint Phalle, Paris  
*Peintures et dessins, 1966-1995*, Institut d'Arts et Techniques de Bretagne Occidentale, Brest
- 1995 *Le paysage à Marseille dans les années 1990*, Galerie Athanor, Marseille  
*Vincent Bioulès : Parcours, 1965-1995, rétrospective*, Musée de Toulon ; Pavillon du Musée Fabre, Montpellier  
*La peinture en vacances*, Galerie Hélène Trintignant, Montpellier
- 1994 *Dessins - Peintures*, Ecole Régionale des Beaux Arts, Valence
- 1993 *Nues*, Galerie Vidal-Saint-Phalle, Paris  
*Espaces et figures*, Galerie L'Oeil écoute, Lyon
- 1992 *Nues*, Museum of Modern Art, Saint-Etienne
- 1991 *Peintures, 1958-1991 -Le tableau, la fenêtre...*, Contemporary Art Center, Saint-Priest  
Musée Picasso, Antibes  
Galerie Hélène Trintignant, Montpellier
- 1990 *Vincent Bioulès, rétrospective de l'œuvre graphique, 1957-1990*, Musée de L'Abbaye Sainte-Croix, Les Sables d'Olonnes  
*Portraits, nus et paysages (œuvre graphique)*, Galerie de l'Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Beaux Arts, Paris

## GROUP SHOWS (selection)

- 2024 EXPO CHICAGO, Chicago, USA, Galerie La Forest Divonne Paris + Brussels
- 2022 BRAFA, Brussels, Galerie La Forest Divonne Paris + Brussels  
EXPO CHICAGO, Chicago, USA, Galerie La Forest Divonne Paris + Brussels  
ART PARIS, Galerie La Forest Divonne Paris + Brussels
- 2020 *Ensemble - Ailleurs*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Brussels
- 2019 *Chemin faisant*, Maison des Consuls, les Matilles  
Marseille à nouveau, Galerie BEABA, Marseille
- 2018 ART PARIS ART FAIR, Grand Palais, Paris, Galerie La Forest Divonne Paris + Brussels
- 2017 *Tout balayer, tout assimiler / Autour de Supports/Surfaces*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Paris  
*The painter's house*, Galerie Bernard Chauchet, London  
*Exposition de groupe*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Paris  
ART PARIS ART FAIR, Grand Palais, Paris, Galerie La Forest Divonne Paris + Brussels  
*1 an déjà!*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Brussels  
Biennale d'Issy Les Moulineaux

- 2016 *Passion Partagée*, Galerie La Forest Divonne, Brussels  
 ART PARIS ART FAIR, Grand Palais, Paris, Galerie La Forest Divonne Paris + Brussels
- 2015 *Sicily*, Galerie Bernard Chauchet, London
- 2014 *Mythologies*, Commissaire : Caroline Joubert, Musée de Caen, Normandie  
*Frontalité, approches du paysage (suite)*, Centre d'art du Château de Poncé, Poncé sur le loir  
 ART PARIS ART FAIR, Grand Palais, Galerie Vieille du Temple, Paris
- 2013 *Frontalité, approches du paysage*, Galerie Vieille du Temple, Paris  
 ART PARIS ART FAIR, Grand Palais, Paris, Galerie La Forest Divonne Paris + Brussels
- 2011 Salon du Dessin Contemporain, Carrousel du Louvre, Galerie Vieille du Temple Papier !  
 Galerie Vieille du Temple
- 2010 FIAC, Galerie Bernard Ceysson
- 1998-2000 Les Années Supports / Surfaces dans les collections du centre Georges Pompidou,  
 Musée du Jeu de Paume, Paris  
 Maison de la culture, Namur, Belgique  
 Musée Sztuki, Lodz, Pologne  
 Palazzo delle Esposizioni, Rome  
 Musée d'art contemporain, Tokyo, Japon  
 Centro Cultural Banco do Brasil, Rio de Janeiro, Brésil
- 1978 *10 ans*, Galerie Daniel Templon, Paris

## PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris  
 Museum of Fine Arts, Caen  
 CAPC, Bordeaux  
 Musée Cantini, Marseille  
 Musée Fabre, Montpellier  
 Museum of Modern Art, Céret  
 Museum of Modern & Contemporary Art, Saint-Etienne  
 Musée de Toulon  
 MAMAC, Nice  
 Musée Picasso, Antibes  
 Museum of Modern & Contemporary Art, Strasbourg  
 Museum of Fine Art, Strasbourg



## 5. PRACTICAL INFORMATION

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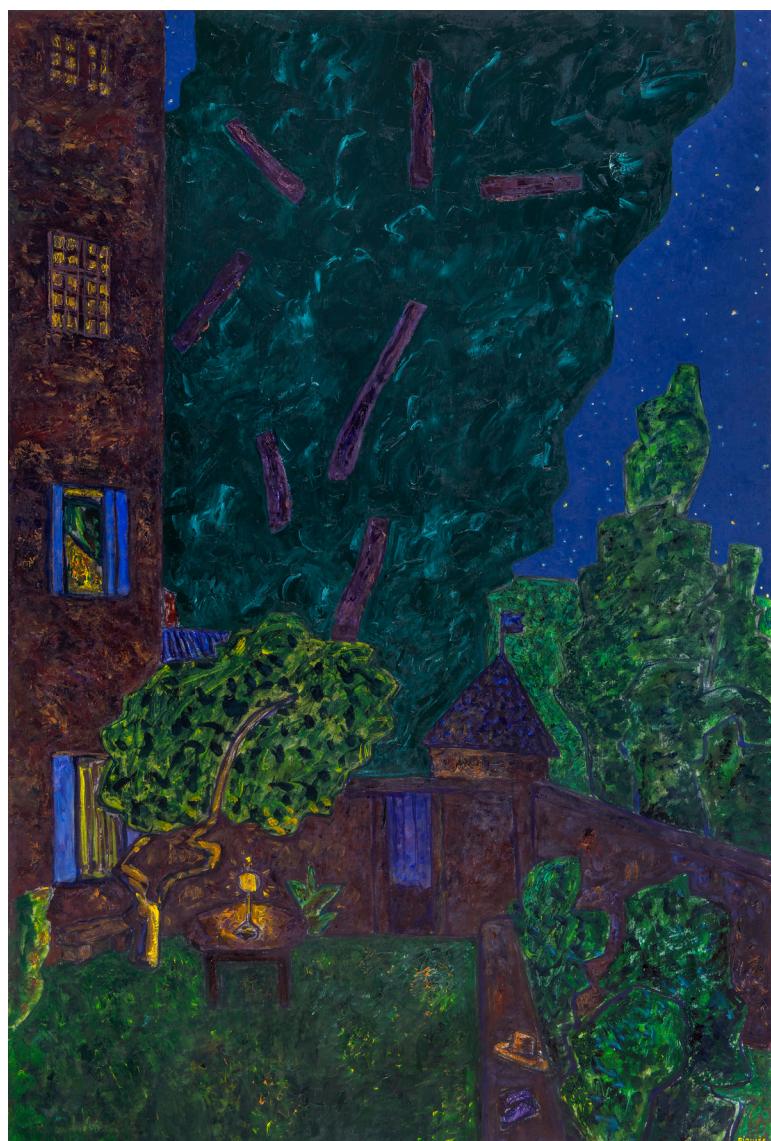
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