

Annette Cunnac

PEINTRE — PASTELLISTE

BIOGRAPHY

Born in 1950 in the Tarn, south-west France, Annette Cunnac lives and works in Toulouse where she settled in 1983. At that time she joined evening classes in the studio of Pierre Darques at the **Fine Art School of Toulouse** where she acquired a strong grounding in drawing and painting which she continued at the **Académie de Dessin de Toulouse**.

Having jointly conducted her professional career and her passion for painting today she devotes herself entirely to her art.

In 2014 she becomes member of the **Société des Artistes Français** and since then has exhibited at the annual "Salon" des Artistes Français as part of "Art en Capital" at the Grand Palais in Paris. She regularly presents personal exhibitions and she participates in art fairs during which she has received numerous awards. For all of her work, she was rewarded in 2022 with the prestigious Renée Aspe painting prize awarded by the **Académie du Languedoc**. In 2023 she is appointed Associate Member within the Academy.



Annette Cunnac draws from her immediate environment and her travels abroad. These are the inspiration for her paintings which are the fruit of direct and sensitive observations of the world around her. Her favorite themes are landscapes and scenes from life.

She works outdoors, in direct contact with the "motif" in order to capture light and colour. *"When I paint outdoors, I am in a state of total receptivity so that nothing distracts the eye from what matters"*.

Guided by shapes and colours, she makes sketches, more advanced drawings as well as snapshots that constitute the base for her work in the studio. Then begins the process of thinking and choosing the subjects that she will paint. She is constantly looking for the right tone, the delicacy of colours and the balance between graphics and coloured shapes.

The common thread of her work is the transmission of the emotion felt during the first perception and the revelation of the deep character of the subject. This opens an immediate aesthetic emotion and a dialogue with the spectator.

"To magnify the reality to express the essential and to reach emotional intensity in the painting"

"I paint what my gaze captures and what I feel at each specific moment, whether it is a landscape enhanced by a fleeting light or a colourful scene from life".

Influenced by her travels, Annette Cunnac offers a new perspective on the city of Toulouse with pastels and oils whose subjects exude a deep humanity; a unique opportunity to rediscover the shimmering urban landscapes through the scenes alongside the River Garonne, the streets or the terraces of the bars which are a lively theatre decorated with warm colours. She is also inspired by the Tarn countryside and the bricks architecture with soft light and warm ochre colours.



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GALLERY

Paintings permanently showed at the Galerie de la Barbacane in Cordes sur ciel (Tarn - France)

EXHIBITIONS AND ART FAIRS

- 2023** **Solo exhibition "To capture a moment"**, Galerie Mage in Toulouse
Les Arts en Balade Toulouse – opening of the studio to the public during a week-end in September
- 2022** **Solo exhibition "Painting sublimated reality"**, Galerie Mage in Toulouse
Les Arts en Balade Toulouse – opening of the studio to the public during a week-end in September
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, for the benefit of medical research on cancers and serious diseases of the child, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse
- 2021** **Solo exhibition, Winter lights from Toulouse to Angkor Vat**, Galerie Mage in Toulouse
Exhibition with Michel Averseng, Sculptor, Château de Capdeville, Fronton
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, for the benefit of medical research on cancers and serious diseases of the child, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse
- 2020** **Salon des Artistes Français** as part of Art en Capital art fair at the Grand Palais in Paris
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, for the benefit of medical research on cancers and serious diseases of the child, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse

- 2019** **Solo exhibition Ici et Ailleurs - Regard de peintre** (here and elsewhere - paintings), Galerie Mage in Toulouse
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, for the benefit of medical research on cancers and serious diseases of the child, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse.
- 2018** **Solo exhibition Poésie et lumière sur la ville**, Galerie Mage, Toulouse
Group exhibition Rencontre Beaux-Arts du Midi de la France at the launch of the art book written by Aline Llaeus Dinier, art critic, in Villemur-sur-Tarn (Haute-Garonne – France)
Solo exhibition L'âme du Patrimoine on the theme of the town, Galerie le Cinq, Rabastens (Tarn- France)
Exhibition in pairs Toulouse in the Corner, with the photographer Bruno Lombardo, Town Council of Tournefeuille (Haute-Garonne – France)
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse
- 2017** **Exhibition in pairs Regards Croisés** with Tobias Duwe, German painter, during the annual congress of Franco-German associations, Chamber of Commerce in Hamburg.
Solo exhibition, Town Council of Castanet Tolosan (Haute-Garonne – France)
Solo exhibition, Municipal Gallery of Castelsarrasin (Tarn-et-Garonne – France)
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse
- 2016** **Solo exhibition Le Pays Salvagnacois en lumière**, Town Council of Salvagnac (Tarn – France)
Art fair Grand Prix d'Arts Plastiques, Le Fousseret (Haute-Garonne – France), painting prize
Group exhibition Images de Toulouse au XXe siècle, Musée du Vieux Toulouse
Group exhibition, Gallery Paul Sibra in Castelnaudary (Aude – France)
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse
Art fair Salon d'été, Valence d'Albigeois (Tarn – France)
- 2015** **Group exhibition Ô Toulouse**, Galerie des Carmes, Toulouse
Group exhibition Les Estivales Lagore, Seix (Ariège – France)
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse
- 2014** **Solo exhibition, Toulouse et les Couleurs du Monde**, Galerie des Carmes, Toulouse
Art fair, Salon International de Pastel Grand Sud, in Villepinte (Aude - France)
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse
Group exhibition Salon Traits et Couleurs, guest of honour, La Salvetat Saint-Gilles (Haute-Garonne – France)
- 2013** **Solo exhibition Toulouse et les Couleurs du Monde**, Galerie des Carmes, Toulouse
Group exhibition Les 111 des Arts Toulouse, Chapelle de l'Hôtel-Dieu, Toulouse
Solo exhibition, Théâtre du Pavé, Toulouse
Art fair Salon de peinture et sculpture Arts et Belles Lettres du Vaurais, Guest of honour, Lavaur (Tarn – France)
- 2012** **Salon des Artistes Français as part of Art en Capital** art fair at the Grand Palais in Paris, **Blanche Roullier prize**
- 2011** **Solo exhibition**, Galerie des Carmes, Toulouse
- 2010** **Solo Exhibition, Les Couleurs du Monde**, Centre Culturel des Mazades, Toulouse
Annual exhibition of La Palette, Guest of honour, Town Council of Rabastens (Tarn – France)
- 2009** **Solo exhibition**, Galerie des Carmes, Toulouse

- 2008 **Salon des Artistes Français as part of Art en Capital art fair** at the Grand Palais in Paris, Madeleine Paillard prize
Art fair Salon d'Automne in Castelsarrasin (Tarn et Garonne – France), Jury Prize
- 2007 **Art fair Salon d'Automne** d'Albi (Tarn – France), 2nd prize of the Tarn General Council
- 2006 **Solo exhibition**, Municipal Gallery of Castelsarrasin
Art fair Salon d'Automne d'Albi (Tarn – France) 2nd prize of the Tarn General Council
Art fair of the Artistes Occitans, Toulouse, 1st Prize of the City of Toulouse
- 2004 **Solo exhibition** on the theme The Silk Road, town council of Salvagnac (Tarn – France)
Art fair Salon d'Automne d'Albi, (Tarn – France)
- 2003 **Solo exhibition** on the theme The Silk Road, town council of Giroussens (Tarn – France)
Art fair of the Artistes Occitans, Balma (Haute-Garonne – France), Tourism Committee prize
- 2002 **Art fair Salon d'Automne** in Castelsarrasin (Tarn et Garonne – France), Jury Prize
- 1998 **Art fair Peintres et Sculpteurs de Midi-Pyrénées**, 1st painting prize
- 1997 **Solo exhibition**, Galerie de l'Atelier, Toulouse
- 1996 **Art fair Expression d'Art**, Cugnaux (Haute-Garonne - France), **1st painting prize**, Medal of the City of Cugnaux
Art fair Salon Peintres et Sculpteurs de Midi-Pyrénées (France) , **1st prize**, Medal fo the General Council
- 1995 **Creation of the art fair l'Art en Pays Salvagnacois** in partnership with the Town Council and tourism office of Salvagnac (Tarn – France)
- 1994 **Solo exhibition**, Galerie de l'Atelier, Toulouse