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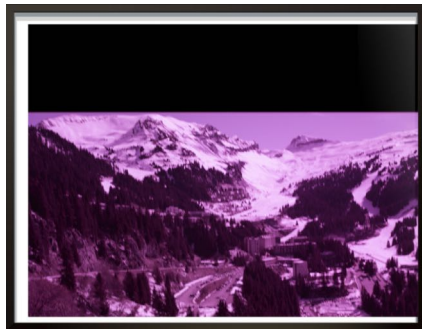
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CAPTIONS

- 1 — Aérofiat 1.0, 2002
2 — The 105x135 series (041989), 2024
3 — Plan Voisin de Paris - Circulaire Secteur A23, 2015
4 — An American Landscape - Mountain Saving, 2020

♥ Solo show
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Alain Bublex

Born in 1961 in Lyon **FR**
Lives and works in Paris **FR**

SELECTION OF EXHIBITIONS SINCE 2000

- 2026** *alain bublex, vous faites des cartes postales ? (alain bublex de A à B)*, Curator : Anaël Pigeat, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France
Automobili, Museo Nazionale Dell'Automobile, Torino, Italia
- 2025** *Conversation Pieces*, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France
Musicology, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France
Pom Pom Pidou, Le Tripostal, Lille, France
- 2024** *Landscaping* 풍경조망중, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥
- 2023-25** *Alain Bublex*, Cité des sciences et de l'industrie, Paris, France
- 2023** *Humain Autonome : Fossiles Mécaniques*, La Condition Publique, Roubaix, France
- 2022** *An American Landscape*, Espace Culturel François Mitterand, Périgueux, France ♥
Alain Bublex : réduire sa vitesse de 30% (sur chaussée mouillée), Salle Gibert-Gaillard, Clermont-Ferrand, France ♥
- 2021** *An American Landscape II (or the American musical industrial enamels)*, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥*
- 2020** *La Promenade*, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France
- 2019** *Alain Bublex, Un paysage américain (générique)*, Centre de Création Contemporaine Olivier Debré - CCCOD, Tours, France ♥
Alain Bublex, An American Landscape, l'Abbaye – Espace d'art contemporain, Fondation Salomon, Annecy-le Vieux, France ♥
- 2018** *An American Landscape*, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥
- 2017** *Autophoto*, Fondation Cartier pour l'art contemporain, Paris, France*
- 2016** *Arrêts Soudains*, La Chambre, Strasbourg, France ♥
Une après-midi japonaise & Lander's Peak, Musée de Bagnes, Bagnes, Switzerland ♥*
Choses immobiles, qui se déplacent pourtant, Atsukoborouh Gallery, Tokyo, Japan ♥
- 2015** *L'Art et la Machine*, Musée des Confluences, Lyon, France*
Le Pavillon des Points de Vue, une commande Defacto, Paris - La Défense, France ♥
- 2014** *Arrière-plan*, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥
Une Histoire. Art, Architecture, Design, des années 1980 à nos jours, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France*
- 2013** *Une nuit sans sommeil*, Frac Languedoc-Roussillon, Montpellier, France ♥
36 Mile Drive, École des Beaux Arts, Rouen, France ♥
Contributions, collaborations et bavardages, les résultats de l'enquête, Frac Basse-Normandie, Caen, France ♥*
- 2011** *Contributions*, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥
Paris - Delhi - Bombay, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France*
Le vrai sportif est modeste, Parc Saint-Léger, Pougues-les-Eaux, France ; VOG, Fontaine, France ♥*
- 2010** *Quinze ans de peinture - Inventaire de l'œuvre photographique*, CCC, Tours, France ♥
Au mépris du danger, École des Beaux-Arts, Montpellier, France ♥*
- 2009** *Habiter 2050*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France ♥
Monts Fuji et autres ponts, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥
Nocturne, MAC VAL, Vitry-sur-Seine, France ♥
- 2008** *Nocturne*, Galerie GP & N Vallois (Project Room), Paris, France ♥
- 2007** *Et l'hiver avec lui*, MAMCO, Geneva, Switzerland ♥
Airs de Paris, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France *
- 2006** *Chambre froide, Bricolage, Outils, Machines*, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥
Archi-peinture: Painters built Architecture, Le Plateau, Paris, France; Camden Art Center, London, United Kingdom*
- 2005** *Plug-in City (Houston)*, Blaffer Gallery, The University of Houston, Houston, United States ♥*
Ephemeral Cities, Deptford X - APT Gallery, London, United Kingdom ♥
Glooscap, Mois de la Photographie, Montreal, Canada ♥
- 2004** *Unbuilt (Tous les Bouvard n'ont pas la chance de trouver leur Pécuchet)*, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥
- 2003** *Plug-in City (2000)*, Mass MOCA, North Adams, United States ♥
Sight Seeing, 4th Austrian Triennale of Photography, Graz, Austria*
False Innocence, Fundación Juan Miró, Barcelona, Spain*
Collection, étape 01, MAC VAL, Vitry-sur-Seine, France*



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Giving life to a project through the creation of new formats, that not only prevent the project from being imprisoned in just one instant (by merging conception, production and exhibition), but also allow heterogeneous practices to communicate for as long as possible: from design to photography, and from mechanics to tourism. This is what is most characteristic of Alain Bublex's work.

Examples of formats or platforms for these operations are: a car, travels, an Algeco construction site unit, a city, and interior architecture. Around these structures, a multitude of instruments of representation are organised, often functioning as tools for transposition, transfer or translation: sketches, drawings, photographs, blueprints, maps, models... It is not so much about presenting an idea mobilised through these different communication and exhibition media, but more about confirming an intuition with a series of consolidations. Each piece included in the project is therefore a trial, a moment when the project faces its own conditions of existence.

Alain Bublex's work is organised along a perpetual availability principle that allows for old, abandoned or only dreamed about projects to be resumed and continually extended. The open potentialities of a project can always be reactivated. This "work-in-progress" format is thus a paradigm. Through it transpires the need to settle in the temporality of a continuous production, both hyperactive and free from the imperative of a final creation. The length of the project extends from conception (the idea) to realisation (the object): it dilates to the point when it seems only to be hanging in the air.

Only with this in mind can we comprehend Alain Bublex's taste for exposing construction modalities, through the display of inventories, manuals for installation and use, indications for fabrication or exhibition, and the production of some pieces during the real time of the setting up of the exhibition, and so on.

Among the artist's projects, we should mention *Glooscap*, a fictional city in Canada which only exists through its archives; the *Aérofiat*, the missing link of automobile design; Tentatives, 16 exhibitions that we only know through photographs; and finally *Projets en chantier*, which show Bublex's interest for architecture and landscape. Within this last project, two ensembles in particular: *Plug-in City (2000)*, an interpretation of Peter Cook's very serious proposition from 1964, and *Plan Voisin de Paris* where the artist re-thinks the contemporary city with the help of Le Corbusier's blueprints.

If some of Alain Bublex's projects are inscribed in his continuing interest towards the industrial world (*Fournitures*, a Darwinian production of furniture prototypes), his last works, on the other hand, confirm the importance of landscape in Bublex's reflection: *Arrêts Soudains* for instance combines photographs organised in complete sequences of shots, or *Ryder Project*, an intervention in the North American landscape in which three moving trucks drive across the continent, or even *Paysages*, which recompose elements from heterogeneous landscapes into one image.

Elie During, in *The Future does not exist: Retrotypes*, Editions B42

5 — *An American Landscape - Frame 292*, 2021

6 — *Paysage 263, Vicq-sur-Breuilh (près du Puy Mori)*, 2017

7 — *Paysage 260, Vicq-sur-Breuilh (Lucy)*, 2017

8 — *Paysage 140 (ombre de John singer Sargent, « Mr. and Mrs Isaac Newton Phelps Stokes »)*, 2014

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations, Paris

CNAP (Centre National des Arts Plastiques), Paris

Collection publique d'art contemporain du Conseil général de la Seine-Saint-Denis (Fonds Départemental d'art contemporain), Bobigny

FMAC (Fonds Municipal d'Art Contemporain de la Ville de Paris), Paris

Fonds Municipal de la Ville d'Annecy, Annecy

Frac Alsace, Sélestat

Frac Normandie, Caen

Frac Franche-Comté, Besançon

Frac Occitanie-Montpellier, Montpellier

Frac Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, Marseille

Frac Rhône-Alpes, Villeurbanne

MAC VAL, Vitry-sur-Seine

Maison Européenne de la Photographie, Paris

Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, Paris

Musée National d'Art Moderne, Centre Pompidou, Paris