

# BEN BROWN FINE ARTS

## YVES KLEIN

Born in 1928, Nice

Died in 1962, Paris

## EDUCATION

- 1952 École Nationale des Langues Orientales, Paris  
1948 École Nationale de la Marine Marchande, Saint-Malo

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *Tous Leger!* Fundación Juan March, Madrid, Spain  
2023 *Yves Klein, L'infini Bleu*, Atelier des Lumières, Paris, France  
*Yves Klein - The Infinite Space*, Museum Jorn, Silkeborg, Denmark  
2022 *The self-taught Enigma*, MAMC - Musée d'art moderne de Saint-Étienne, Saint-Étienne, France  
*On Fire*, Fondazione Giorgio Cini, Venice, Italy  
2021 *Focus: Yves Klein*, Opera Gallery, Paris, France  
*Yves Klein and Japan*, Maison de la culture du Japon à Paris, Paris, France  
*Yves Klein, Infinite Blue*, Bassins de Lumières, Bordeaux, France  
2020- *Yves Klein: infinite blue*, Atelier des Lumieres, Paris  
2021 *Yves Klein – Elements and colors*, Domaine des Etangs, Massignac  
2019 *Yves Klein – Des cris bleus*, Musée Soulages, Rodez  
2018- *Yves Klein – Pigmento Puro*, Museo Amparo, Puebla  
2019  
2018 *Blenheim Palace*, Woodstock  
2017 MUAC - Museo Universitario de Arte Contemporánea, Mexico City  
*Theatre of the Void*, BOZAR, Brussels  
*Retrospectiva – Proa Fundation*, Buenos Aires  
2016 Tate Liverpool, Liverpool  
2015 *Intimo*, Galería Cayón, Madrid  
2014 *Art in the Park*, Hotel Baur au Lac, Zurich  
2012 *Judo Teatro Corpo Visioni*, Palazzo Ducale – Fondazione per la cultura, Genova  
2011 Galería Cayón, Madrid  
2010 *With the Void, Full Power*, Hirshhorn Museum, Washington, DC  
*Yves Klein: With the Void, Full Powers*, Minneapolis, MN  
2009 *Marie Raymond, Yves Klein Herencias*, Círculo de Bellas Artes, Madrid  
*Yves Klein & Rotraut*, Museo Cantonale d'Arte e il Museo d'Arte della città di Lugano, Lugano  
2007 *Yves Klein Body, Colour and the Immaterial*, mumok - Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig Wien, Vienna  
2006 *Yves Klein Corps, Couleur, Immatériel*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Musée national d'art moderne, Paris  
*Yves Klein dans ses murs*, La Coupole, Paris  
*Yves Klein Air Architecture*, MAK, Austrian Museum of Applied Arts / Contemporary Art, Vienna  
2005 *Yves Klein: Fire Painting*, Michael Werner, New York, NY  
Guggenheim Bilbao  
*Yves Klein: A Career Survey*, L & M Arts, New York, NY  
2004 Schirn Kunsthalle Frankfurt, Frankfurt  
*Yves Klein Air Architecture*, Schindler House, Los Angeles, CA  
2000 *Yves Klein, "La vita, la vita stessa che e' l'arte assoluta"*, Museo Pecci, Prato  
*Yves Klein, "la vie, la vive elle-même qui est l'art absolu"*, MAMAC, Nice

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- 1999 *Tinguely's Favourites: Yves Klein*, Museum Tinguely, Basel  
1997 Museet for Samtidskunst, Nasjonalmusset, Oslo  
1995 Art Focus, Zurich  
Yves Klein: *Salto en el Vacío*, Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofia, Madrid  
Hayward Gallery, London  
1994 Museum Ludwig – Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen, Cologne  
1992 MOCA - Los Angeles, CA  
1986 Galerie Reckermann, Cologne  
1983 Centre Georges Pompidou, Musée national d'art moderne, Paris  
1982 Chicago Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL  
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY  
Rice University Art Gallery, Houston, TX  
1976 Yves Klein, Feux, Galerie Karl Flinker, Paris  
Nationalgalerie et Neue Berliner Kunstverein, Berlin  
1974 Yves Klein, 1928-1962: Selected writings, Tate Gallery, London  
1973 Yves Klein, Galerie Karl Flinker, Paris  
1970 Galleria Civica d'Arte Moderna e Contemporanea, Turin  
1969 Musée des arts décoratifs, Paris  
1967 Jewish Museum, New York, NY  
1966 Yves Klein : Peintures de feu, Galerie Bonnier, Geneva  
1965 Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam  
Galerie Alexandre Iolas Paris, Paris  
1964 Peintures de feu, Galerie Schmela, Dusseldorf  
1963 Svensk-Franska Konstgalleriet, Stockholm  
Yves Klein Le Monochrome, Peintures de feu, Galerie Tarica, Paris  
1961 Yves Klein le Monochrome: il nuovo realismo del colore, Galleria Apollinaire, Milan  
Yves Klein le Monochrome, Dwan Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Yves Klein le Monochrome, Galerie Leo Castelli, New York, NY  
Yves Klein Monochrome und Feuer, Haus Lange Museum, Krefeld  
1960 Yves Klein Le Monochrome, Galerie Rive Droite, Paris  
Anthropométries de l'époque bleue, Galerie Internationale d'art contemporain, Paris  
1959 Bas-reliefs dans une forêt d'éponges, Galerie Iris Clert, Paris  
Vison in motion – motion in vision, Hessenhuis, Antwerp  
1958 Première expérience des 'pinceaux vivants', Appartement de Robert Godet 9, rue Le-Regrattier, île Saint-Louis, Paris  
La spécialisation de la sensibilité à l'état de matière première en sensibilité (dite "Le Vide"),  
Galerie Iris Clert, Paris  
1957 Monochrome Propositions of Yves Klein, Gallery One, London  
Yves Propositions monochromes, Galerie Schmela, Dusseldorf  
Yves Klein: Propositions monochromes, Galerie Colette Allendy, Paris  
Yves Klein : Propositions monochromes, Galerie Iris Clert, Paris  
Yves Klein : Proposte monochrome, epoca blu, Galerie Apollinaire, Milan  
1956 Yves: Propositions monochromes, Galerie Colette Allendy, Paris  
1955 Yves : peintures, Editions Lacoste, Club des Solitaires, Paris

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 Van Gogh and the Stars, Fondation Vincent van Gogh Arles, Arles, France  
Paraventi - Folding Screens from the 17th to 21st Centuries, Fondazione Prada, Milan, Italy

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- 2023 *OUTSTANDING! - The Relief from Rodin to Picasso*, Städel Museum, Frankfurt, Germany  
*RENDEZ-VOUS - Picasso, Chagall, Klein and their Times*, Heidi Horten Collection, Vienna, Austria
- 2022 *Human, 7 Questions*, Leeum, Samsung Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea
- 2021 *New Realism = New Perceptive Approaches of the Real*, Galerie Georges-Phillipe & Nathalie Vallois, Paris  
*Meta Visceral*, Lévy Gorvy, London  
*The supermarket of images*, Red Brick Art Museum, Beijing  
*The Imaginary Sea*, Fondation Carmignac, Porquerolles  
*Au Coeur des abstractions – Marie Raymond et ses amis*, Musée de Tessé, Le Mans  
*Lost in Italy*, Luxembourg + Co, London
- 2020-  
2021 *The Sky as a Studio. Yves Klein and his contemporaries*, Centre Popidou Metz, Metz  
*The supermarket of images*, Red Brick Art Museum, Beijing; Galerie nationale du Jeu de Paume, Paris
- 2020 *Dance me to the end of love. Danse Macabre*, Bundner Kunstmuseum, Coire  
*Monochrome No.2*, Ordovas Gallery, London
- 2019-  
2020 *Omaggio a Bernardo Strozzi – Yves Klein*, MART Rovereto, Rovereto  
*Par Hassard*, Centre de la Vieille Charité, Marseille
- 2019 *Prehistory, a modern riddle*, Centre Georges Pompidou – Musée national d'art moderne, Paris  
*Stanley White – Yves Klein, Of divide things one speaks on a blue field*, Galeria Cayon – Minorque, Minorque  
*The Challenging Souls – Yves Klein, Lee Ufan, Ding Yi*, PSA – Power Station of Art, Shanghai  
*Art et Presse – Libres échanges*, Musée des Suisse dans le Monde, Pregny-Chambésy  
*The World in Spheres*, Bibliothèque nationale de France – site François-Mitterrand, Paris  
*Absolute Thresholds*, Galerie Francesca Pia, Zurich  
*Ecstasy*, Zentrum Paul Klee, Bern  
*Radicalism in the Wilderness: Japanese Artists in the Global 1960s*, Japan Society, New York, NY  
*The Moon: From Inner Worlds to Outer Space*, Henie Onstad Kunstsenter, Hovikodden  
*Boom! Bam! Playing with Masterpieces: from Henri Matisse to Marina Abramovic*, The Jewish Museum and Tolerance Center, Moscow  
*Chez Iris & Jeannine*, Galerie Loeve & Co, Paris
- 2018-  
2019 *Alfred Schmela: A Centenary Exhibition*, Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen, Düsseldorf  
*Lord Duveen, My Pictures Never Look So Marvellous As When You Are Here*, Lévy Gorvy, London  
*The Moon: From Inner Worlds to Outer Space*, Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humblebaek  
*Vibration in ZERO*, MONA – Museum of Old and New Art, Hobart
- 2018 *"In Tune with the World"*, Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris  
*The Everywhere Studio*, Institute of Contemporary Art Miami, Miami, FL  
*Cooperation*, 20eme anniversaire de la Fondation Beyeler, Basel  
*Close at Hand: Modern and Contemporary Sculpture*, Gagosian Gallery, San Francisco, CA

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*The day is blue, the silence is green, life is yellow*, Museo Experimental el Eco, Mexico City

*FOCUS: Yves Klein | James Turrell*, Lévy Gorvy, London

*The Classical Now*, King's College, London

*Le Perspectiva esencial – Minimalismos en la Colección Helga de Alvea*, Centro de Arte Alcobendas, Madrid

*Dialoghi*, Studio Gariboldi, Milan

*Face-to-Face with Images*, Draiflessen Collection, Mettingen

*Klaus Rinke. Düsseldorf mon amour*, Centre de Création Contemporaine Olivier Debré, Tours

*L'expérience de la couleur*, Musée national de céramique, Sèvres

*Suspension – A history of Abstract Hanging Sculpture. 1918-2018*, Palais d'Iena, Paris; Olivier Malingue Gallery, London

*L'envol*, La maison rouge, Paris

2017 *A propos de Nice 1947-1977*, MAMAC, Nice

*Face-to-Face with Images*, Draiflessen Collection, Mettingen

*Red over Yellow*, Tel Aviv Museum of Art, Tel Aviv

*Georges Pompidou et l'art : une aventure du regard*, Domaine National de Chambord, Chambord

*De Nature en Sculpture*, Fondation Villa Datris for contemporary sculpture, L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue

*Monochrome: A Dialogue between Burri, Fontana, Klein, Manzoni, and Stingel*, Nahmad Contemporary, New York, NY

*A Pied d'œuvre(s)*, Monnaie de Paris, Paris

*From Los Angeles to New York: The Dwan Gallery 1950 – 1971*, Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA), Los Angeles, CA

*The Everywhere Studio*, Institute of Contemporary Art (IAC), Miami, FL

*Cooperation – 20eme anniversaire de la Fondation Beyeler*, Fondation Beyeler, Basel

*Duet with Artist – Participation as Artistic Principle*, Museum Morsbroich, Leverkusen

2016 *Alberto Giacometti Yves Klein*, Gagosian, London

*Naturaleza Franciscana*, Museu de Arte Moderna de São Paulo

*Impasse Ronsin*, Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York, NY

*New Beginning: Between Gesture and Geometry*, The George Economou Collection, Marousi,

*Alberto Burri: lo Spazio di Materia, tra Europa e U.S.A.*, Fondazione Palazzo Albizzini Collezione Burri, Città di Castello

*Nude – From Modigliani to Currin*, Gagosian Gallery, New York, NY

*Alberto Giacometti, Yves Klein – In Search of the Absolute*, Gagosian Gallery, London

*Musicirus*, Centre Pompidou-Metz, Metz

*Sulla Croce – Museo d'arte della Svizzera Italiana*, MASi, Lugano

*Archeologie du Present*, Musée d'Art Moderne et Contemporain de Saint-Etienne Metropole, Saint-Étienne

*Zero, Nouveau Réalisme and questioning the reality*, Stiftung Ahlers Pro Arte, Herford

*Prière de toucher – Le sens tactil de l'art*, Museum Tinguely, Basel

*Philippe Geluck – l'Art et le chat*, Museum en Herbe, Paris

*From Los Angeles to New York: The Dwan Gallery 1959-1971*, National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

*Money, Good and Evil – A Visual History of the Economy*, Staatliche Kunsthalle, Baden-Baden

*A Lesson in Sculpture with John Latham*, Henry Moore Institute, Leeds

*Performing for the Camera*, Tate Modern, London

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- 2015    *Bleu, Jaune, Rouge : La Couleur Liberee*, Musee de Tesse, Le Mans  
      *Painting 2.0: Expression in the information Age*, Museum Brandhorst, Munich  
      *Painting 2.0: Expression in the information Age*, mumok, Museum Moderner Kunst  
      Stiftung Ludwig, Vienna  
      *La Petite Galerie du Louvre, Les Mythes Fondateurs*, Musée du Louvre, Paris  
      *The Monochrome Symphony - Monochrome experiences 100 years after Malevitj*,  
      Artipelag, Gustavsberg  
      *Si fece carne. L'arta contemporanea e il sacro*, Basilica di San Lorenzo, Firenze  
      *More then ZERO – Hans Bischoffshausen and the Avantgarde*, Galerie Belvedere,  
      Vienna  
      *Black Sun*, Fondation Beyeler, Basel  
      *The Big Blue*, Ordovas Gallery, London  
      *ZERO countdown to the future*, Sakip Sabadaci Museum, Istanbul  
      *Spazi dell'Anima: Yves Klein e la devozione a Santa Rita da Cascia*, Musee Carlo  
      Bilotti, Rome  
      *ZERO: le us explore the stars*, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam  
      *Under the Clouds: from Paranoia to the Digital Sublime*, Serralves Museum, Porto  
      *Burning, Butting, Nalling, Yves Klein, Lucio Fontana, Gunter Uecker*, Skarstedt  
      Gallery, London  
      *Futurs...Matisse, Miro, Calder...*, Centre de la Vieille Charite, Marseille  
      *Fontana, Zero and the results*, Museum Frieder Burda, Baden-Baden  
      *Nel Blu dipinto di Blu – da Yves Klein, la magia di un colore nell'arte contemporánea*,  
      MACA (Museo Arte Contemporanea Acri), Acri  
      *Art on Camera: Photographs by Shunk-Kender, 1960-1971*, The Museum of Modern  
      Art, New York, NY  
      *Ars'tronomy*, La Casa Encendida, Madrid  
      *Lee Mingwei and His Relations: The Art of Participation*, Taipei Fine Arts Museum,  
      Taipei  
      *Expérience de vérité: Gandhi et l'art de la non-violence*, Musée international de la  
      Croix Rouge, Geneva  
      *ZERO: The international art movement of the 50s and 60s*, Martin Groupius Bau,  
      Berlin  
      *Collectors*, Mamac, Nice  
      *Dries Van Noten – Inspirations*, ModeMuseum (MoMu), Antwerp
- 2014    *Klein Fontana*, Museo del Novecento, Milan  
      *Yves Klein David Hammons*, Aspen Art Museum, Aspen  
      *Yves Klein and Andy Warhol: Fire Painting and Oxidation Painting*, Skarstedt Gallery,  
      London  
      *Independent Project*, Former DIA Center for the Arts Building Chelsea, New York, NY  
      *Objects: pouvoirs secret*, Passage de Retz, Paris  
      *ZERO – Countdown to tomorrow 1950's – 60's*, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum,  
      New York, NY  
      *Azimut. Continuity and the new*, Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Venice  
      *Lee Mingwei and His Relations: The Art of Participation*, Mori Art Museum, Tokyo  
      *Le jardin japonais*, Fundación Rodríguez Acosta, Granada  
      *Sacha Sosno. Un témoin particulier de l'Ecole de Nice*, Musée Regards de Provence,  
      Marseille  
      *On the Road*, Palacio de Gelmirez, Santiago de Compostela  
      *Michelangelo and the XX Century*, Galleria Civica di Modena, Modena  
      *Formes Simples*, Centre Pompidou-Metz, Metz  
      *Le Jardin Japonais*, Casa Encendida, Madrid

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- Sculpture du sud*, Fondation Villa Datri pour la sculpture contemporaine, L'Isle sur la Sorgue
- Naissance d'un musée*, Louvre Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi; Musée du Louvre, Paris
- Art and Alchemy*, Stiftung Museum Kunstpalast, Dusseldorf
- ZERO in South America*, Pinacoteca do Estado de Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo
- La Bande à Niki*, Musée en Herbe, Paris
- Alexander the Great: The Iolas Gallery 1955-1987*, Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York, NY
- Dries Van Noten - Inspirations*, Musée des arts décoratifs, Paris
- 2013 *Klein/ Byars/ Kapoor*, AroS, Aarhus  
*Yves Klein – Claude Parent – Le mémorial Project d'Architecture*, Espace de l'Art Concret, Mouans-Sartoux  
*ZERO in South America*, Fundacao Ibere Camargo, Porto Alegre  
*Zero Avantgarde 1965-2013*, Galleria Christian Stein, Milan  
*The Show is Over*, Gagosian Gallery, New York, NY  
*Audible Presence: Lucio Fontana, Yves Klein, Cy Twombly*, Dominique Levy Gallery, New York, NY  
*Zero in South America*, Museu Oscar Niemeyer, Curitiba  
*Zero – Paris – Dusseldorf*, Passage de Retz, Paris  
*Destroy the Picture: Painting the Void, 1949-1962*, Museum of Contemporary Art Australia – MCA, Chicago, IL  
*Explosio! El llegat de Jackson Pollock*, Fundacio' Joan Miro', Barcelona
- 2012 *Klein – Byars – Kapoor*, MAMAC, Nice  
*Explosion! Painting as Action*, Moderna Museet, Stockholm  
*Ends of the Earth: Land Art to 1974*, MOCA, Los Angeles, CA  
*Gold and Ash. A Journey through different Worlds*, Museum Schloss Moyland, Bedburg-Hau  
*Ashes and Gold. A World's Journey*, Marta Herford, Herford
- 2011 *Takashi Murakami Homage to Yves Klein*, Galerie Perrotin, Paris  
*La couleur en avant*, MAMAC, Musée d'Art Moderne et d'Art Contemporain de Nice, Nice
- 2009 *Vides. Une rétrospective*, Musée National d'Art Moderne, Paris
- 2007 *Marie Raymond – Yves Klein*, LAAC Dunkerque, Dunkirk  
*Declaring Space: Lucio Fontana, Yves Klein, Barnett Newman, Mark Rothko*, Modern Art Museum, Fort Worth, TX
- 2006 *Yves Klein. Der Sprung ins Leere. Pretiosen des Nouveau Realisme*, Museum Moderner Kunst, Passau  
*Marie Raymond – Yves Klein*, Ludwig Museum Koblenz, Koblenz  
*Marie Raymond – Yves Klein*, Musée des Beaux-Arts de Carcassonne, Carcassone  
*Zero – Internationale Kunster-Avantgarde der 50er/60er Jahre*, Museum Kunstpalast, Dusseldorf
- 2005 *Colour After Klein*, Barbican Art Gallery, London
- 2004 *Marie Raymond – Yves Klein*, Musée de Beaux- Arts D'Angers, Angers
- 1988 *La Couleur Seule : l'expérience du monochrome*, Musée Saint-Pierre art contemporain, Lyon
- 1962 *Antagonismes 2 : L'object*, Musée des arts décoratifs, Paris
- 1960 *Festival d'art d'avant-garde*, Pavillon américain de la Porte de Versailles, Paris  
*Les Nouveaux Réalisme*, Galleria Apollinaire, Milan
- 1958 *Vitesse pure et stabilité monochrome per Yves Klein et Tinguely*, Galerie Iris Clert, Paris  
*Das rote Bild*, 7 Abendausstellung, Dusseldorf
- 1957 *'Micro-Salon d'avril'*, Galerie Iris Clert, 1957, Galerie Iris Clert, Paris

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1956 *Festival de l'art d'avant-garde*, Cite Radieuse de Marseille, Marseille

## SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Berardo Collection Museum, Lisbon  
Carre d'art – Musée d'art contemporain, Nimes  
Fondazione Prada, Milan  
Frederick R. Weisman Art Foundation, Los Angeles, CA  
Guggenheim Bilbao, Bilbao  
Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY  
Hamburger Kunsthalle, Hamburg  
Hara Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo  
Henie Onstad Kunstsenter, Hovikodden  
Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art, Hiroshima  
Hood Museum of Art, Hanover, NH  
Institut Valencia d'Art Modern (IVIAM), Valencia  
Iwaki City Art Museum, Fukushima  
Kaiser Wilhelm Museum, Krefeld  
Kawamura Memorial DIC Museum of Art, Sakura  
Kunst Bern, Bern  
Kunsthaus Zurich, Zurich  
Kunstmuseum Gelsenkirchen, Gelsenkirchen  
Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen, Dusseldorf  
Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA), Los Angeles, CA  
Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebaek  
Louvre Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi  
Moderna Museet, Stockholm  
Mumok – Museum moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig Wien, Vienna  
Musée Cantini, Marseille  
Musée d'art moderne et d'art contemporain de Nice (MAMAC), Nice  
Musée national d'art moderne – Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris  
Museo National Centro de Arte Reina Sofia, Madrid  
Museum Folkwang, Essen  
Museum fur Moderne Kunst Frankfurt am Main (MMK), Frankfurt  
Museum Kunstpalast, Dusseldorf  
Museum Ludwig, Cologne  
Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, NY  
Neue Nationalgalerie, Berlin  
San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA  
Sezon Museum of Modern Art, Karuizawa-machi  
Staatliche Graphische Sammlung, Munchen  
Staatsgalerie Stuttgart, Stuttgart  
Stadel Museum, Frankfurt  
Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam  
Tate Modern, London  
Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum, Tokyo  
Ulmer Museum, Ulm  
Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, MN

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Westfälisches Landesmuseum (LWL), Münster