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Lucía Pizzani (Venezuela, b.1975)

Lucía Pizzani was born in Caracas, Venezuela in 1975, and moved to London in 2007. Pizzani's research-based practice, informed by her studies in conservation biology and her involvement in Venezuela's environmental movement, is concerned with the intertwining narratives of natural and human histories. In particular, at the core of her work is a focus on the interrelationship between stories of women in history and literature, and processes of metamorphosis in the natural world. Pizzani works in a wide variety of media, including sculpture, photography, printmaking, drawing and performance. She has worked with ceramics for over 15 years, and this is the focus of her most recent exhibition at Cecilia Brunson Projects, as she continues to prioritise natural materials and trace their origins and migrations in her art.

Pizzani's work is held in important UK and Latin American art collections, including Tate, the Colleción Patricia Phelps de Cisneros and the Essex Collection for Art from Latin America (ESCALA). In 2024, she was commissioned to produce an installation for the Harewood Biennial, UK. Other important exhibitions include the solo survey show *Tiempo Membrana*, Hacienda la Trinidad, Caracas, Venezuela, and the group exhibition *PlanetB: Climate Change and the New Sublime*, curated by Nicolas Bourriaud, Palazzo Bolani, Venice, Italy. In 2021, Pizzani completed a residency at Fundación Casa Wabi, Puerto Escondido, Mexico and produced a permanent installation for the Puerto Escondido Botanical Garden, UMAR University of Oaxaca.

Pizzani's first monograph will be published in Autumn 2024, edited by Natalia Valencia Arango and with contributions by Nicolas Bourriaud, Lisa Le Feuvre, Kiki Mazzuchelli and Lucia Pietroiusti.

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Lucía Pizzani

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Education

2008-09	MA Fine Arts, Chelsea College of Arts, London, UK
2001-02	Certificate in Conservation Biology, CERC Columbia University, New York, USA
1993-98	BA in Visual Communications, Universidad Católica Andres Bello, Caracas, Venezuela

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2024	Rites, Seeds and Refuge, Cecilia Brunson Projects, London, UK
2023	MERUNTÖ: in the house of spirits, Bosse & Baum, London, UK
2022	<i>Tiempo Membrana</i> , survey show of works from 2008-2022, Hacienda La Trinidad, Caracas, Venezuela
2022	<i>Manto,</i> Galería La Cometa. Madrid, Spain
2022	<i>Seres Vegetales</i> , Casa Wabi; Puerto Escondido Botanical Garden, Puerto Escondido, Oaxaca, Mexico
2019	<i>Coraza,</i> Cecilia Brunson Projects, London, UK
2019	Coraza, Fundacíon Marso, Mexico City, Mexico
2018	Limbica, ZonaMaco Solo projects, Zonamaco Sur, Mexico City, Mexico
2017	Broader Implications, Photofusion, London, UK
2017	<i>Descent,</i> House of Egorn, Berlin, Germany
2015	A Garden for Beatrix, Cecilia Brunson Projects, London, UK
2014	El Adorador de la Imagen, Sala Mendoza, Caracas, Venezuela
2013	<i>Mariposario,</i> Oficina #1, Caracas, Venezuela
2011	<i>Orchis,</i> Galería Fernando Zubillaga, Caracas, Venezuela

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Selected Group Exhibitions

2024	Harewood Biennial 2024: Create/Elevate, Harewood House, Leeds, UK
2024	<i>Hecho a Mano</i> , Cecilia Brunson Projects, London, UK
2022	<i>PlanetB: Climate Change and the New Sublime</i> , curated by Nicolas Bourriaud, Palazzo Bolanni, Venice, Italy
2022	Cabilla, curated by Sol Calero, Tenerife Espacio de las Artes, Tenerife, Spain
2022	Peckham 24, Photography Festival, London, UK
2022	<i>Transient Roots</i> , Sapling Gallery, London, UK
2021	La Trayectoria Inédita, Hacienda La Trinidad Parque Cultural. Caracas, Venezuela
2021	Aquelarre, Fundación Marso, Mexico City, Mexico
2020	MECARO L'Amazonie dans la Collection Petitgas, MOCO, Montpellier, France
2019	Fotonoviembre: Bienal Internacional de Fotografía, Tenerife Espacio de las Artes, Tenerife, Spain
2019	Amazones, Latin-American Women artists from Catherine Petitgas Collection, Art Paris, France
2018	DeConstruccion, ARCO, Madrid, Spain
2017	Covert Corporeality, ArtExchange, University of Essex, Colchester, UK
2016-17	Contralapared, Espacio Monitor, Caracas, Venezuela
2013	<i>XII Premio Mendoza</i> , Sala Mendoza, Caracas, Venezuela
1978	<i>Salão Nacional de Artes Plásticas</i> , Museu MNBA (Museu Nacional de Belas Artes), Rio de

Public Collections

Janeiro, Brazil

Tate, UK Colección Patricia Phelps de Cisneros (CPPC), USA; Venezuela Essex Collection for Art from Latin America (ESCALA), UK Museum Of Latin American Art (MOLAA), Los Angeles, USA Colección Archivo Fotografía Urbana, Venezuela Banco Mercantil Collection, Venezuela Juan Yarur Collection-FAMA, Ama Foundation, Chile

Awards & Artist Residencies

Residency at Casa Wabi, Fundación Casa Wabi. Puerto Escondido, Oaxaca. México
Residency at LaunchPad Lab, France. Founded by Veronique Parke & Sara Lee Elson

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- 2019 Residency at Fundación Marso, Ciudad de México.
- 2017 Grants for the Arts, (Arts Council England) for Broader Implications at Photofusion. London
- 2014 Hotshoe Photofusion Award. Salon/14 Photofusion, London.UK
- 2013 Emerging Artist Award by the AICA-Venezuela Association of International Art Critics
- 2013 Residency at Hangar, Barcelona (Spain) by Fundación Mendoza, Sala Mendoza, Caracas
- 2013 1st Award XII Premio Eugenio Mendoza, Sala Mendoza. Caracas.