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Track 06, curated by Sumo, is the sixth exhibition in the Luxembourg offices of GSK Stockmann – now presenting "Stick & Philippe Lamesch", two local artists of international reach.

The title *Track* refers to the initial place of exhibition, a long corridor in the premises of GSK Stockmann. Art interested can explore *Track 06* in the firm's recently significantly increased office space.

WELCOME

Welcome to *Track #6*, an exhibition where urban and artistic worlds merge, reviving forgotten items. In this carefully curated showcase, we explore the intriguing art of two Luxembourgish artists, Philippe Lamesch and Stick, both masters at turning found objects into captivating works.

While their methods differ, they share a common talent: breathing new stories into used and discarded items. These once-forgotten objects now tell fresh tales, each with its unique voice.

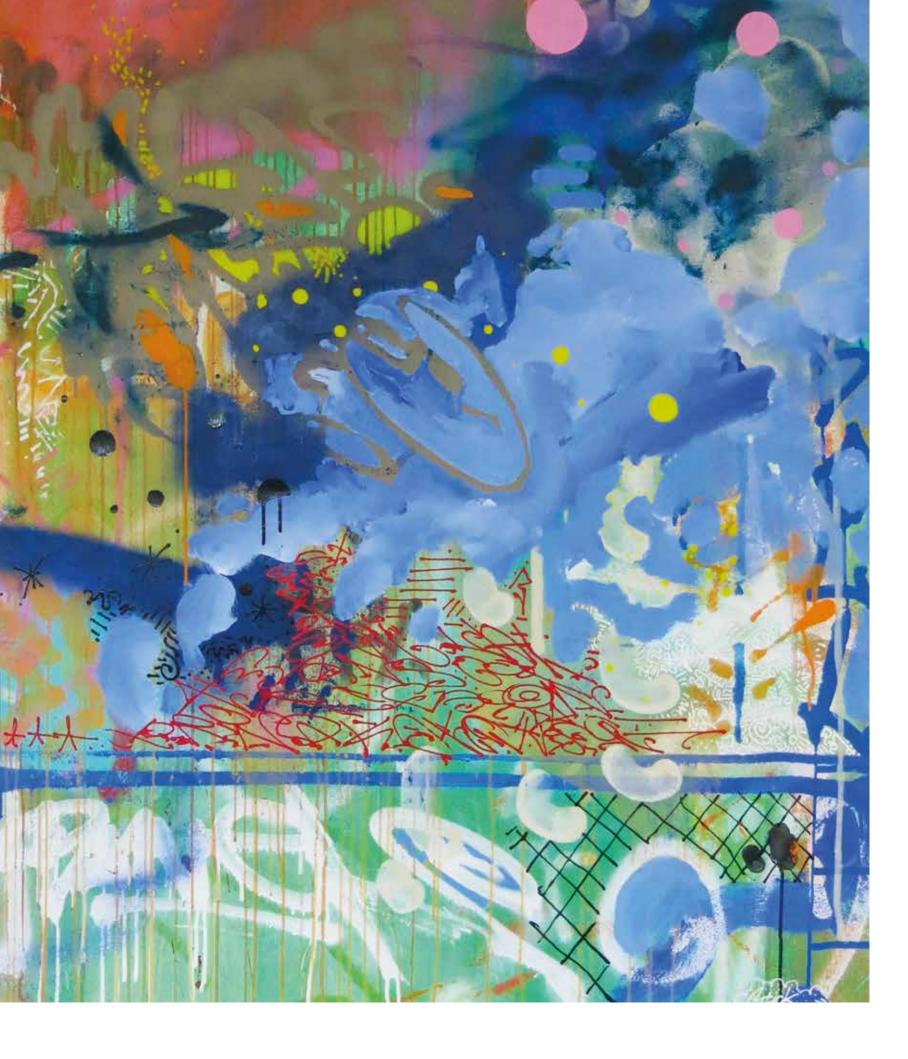
Philippe Lamesch's vibrant compositions blend traditional printmaking with collages crafted from posters collected worldwide. These artworks capture the spirit of the cities where he collects materials and enchant viewers by reinterpreting the urban energy.

Stick presents his canvas and wood paintings, along with *Combos* that blend paintings with objects collected during graffiti adventures. These creations reflect Stick's quest to capture the emotions of a graffiti writer, finding beauty in decay, abandoned places, yards, and weathered walls.

What unites these artists is their deep connection to the streets, the fleeting, and the discarded. Through their unique perspectives, they reveal the beauty within urban chaos. In their hands, creation revives forgotten relics. *Track #6* reminds us that every act of creation inherently involves an act of deconstruction. Join us on this journey where the past awakens, and the streets share their stories anew.

Sumo





STICK

In 1995 Stick began spray-painting his nickname, and here you can sense the heritage of the New York graffiti of the 60's & 70's in everything he does.

15 years later the artist started exploring new materials in his studio work. Implementing different types of objects - metal panels, skateboard decks, street signs, as well as classic canvasses, the references of the graffiti language and its aesthetics remain predominant.

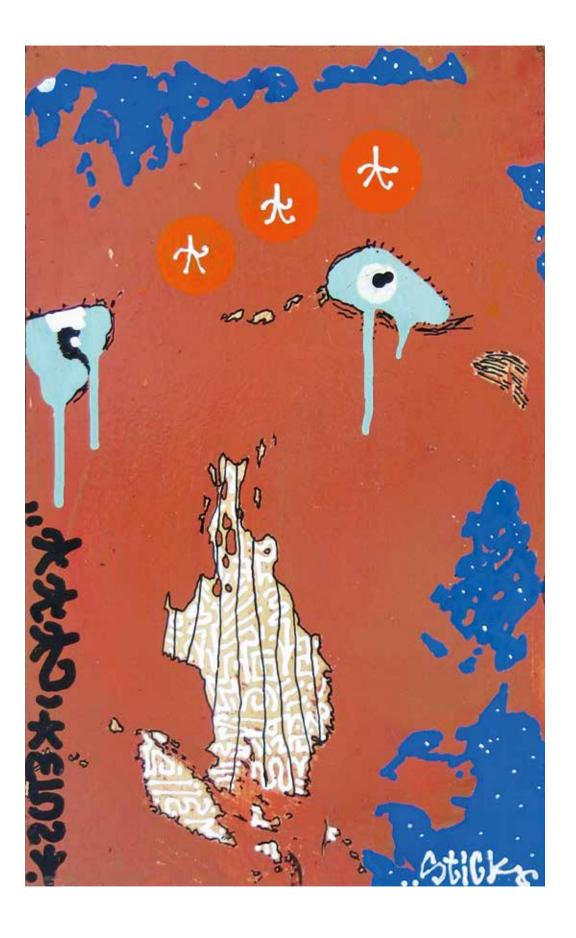
The object itself is guiding the way to what might become an abstract piece of art or one of the compositions Stick is best known for!

Stick's Combos:

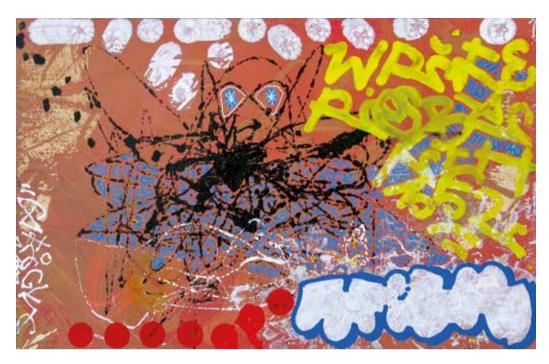
Another type of work Stick is creating, are his Combos. He composes with different materials which he usually finds in places where he goes to paint graffiti. The artist interacts with the objects, puts them together with canvasses or framed work to create a composition that fits the place, the wall. Those are interchangeable and can be put together in different combinations.



500 x 185cm, mixed media on reclaimed objects composition









Futura Ghost, 2021

20,5 x 33cm, mixed media on wood

No title, 2021

20,5 x 33cm, mixed media on wood







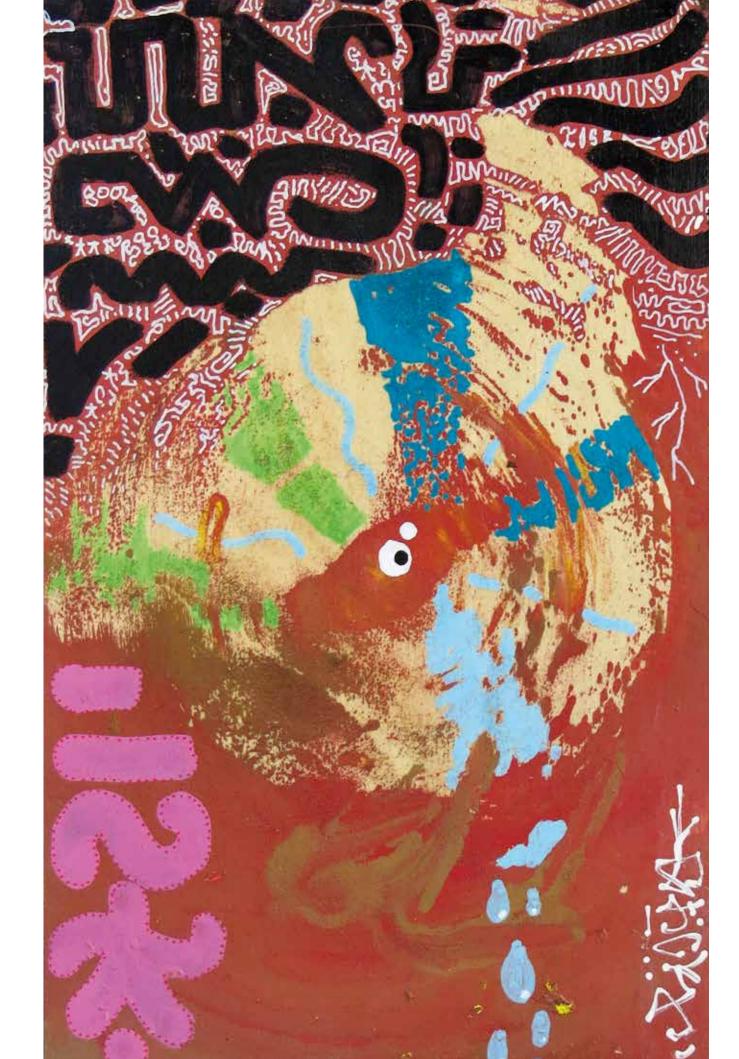
20,5 x 33cm, mixed media on canvas

Watchi, 2021

20,5 x 33cm, mixed media on wood

> Tears from my Ears, 2021

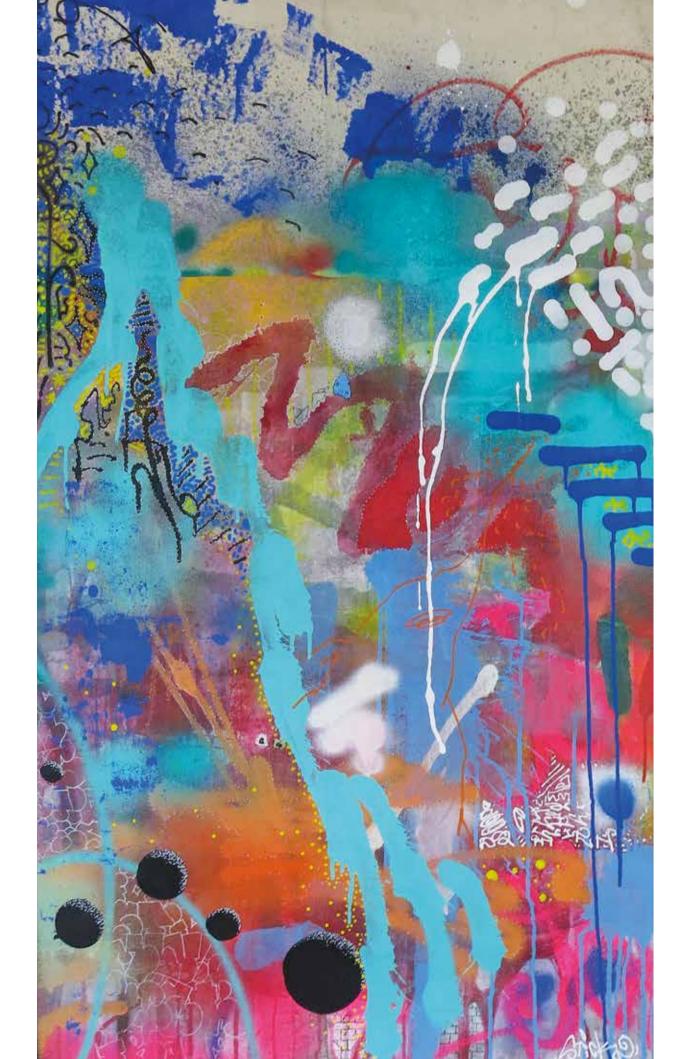
33 x 20,5cm, mixed media on canvas



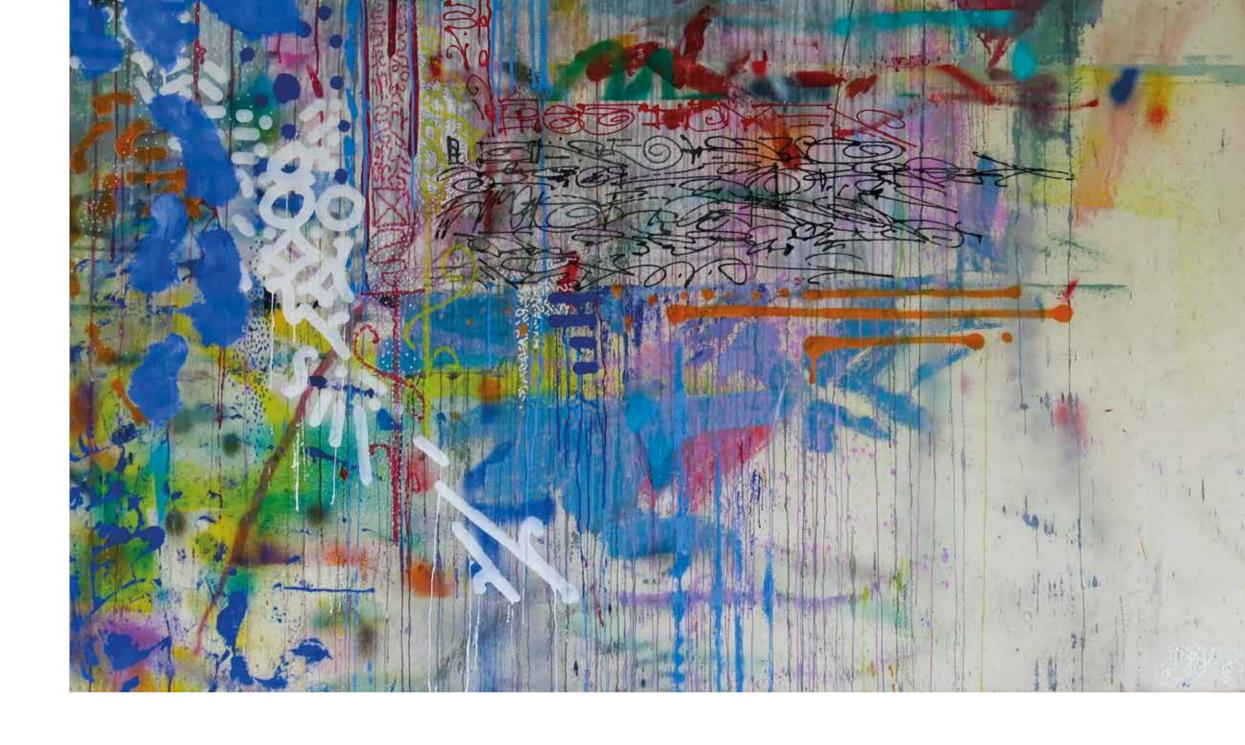


160 x 194cm, mixed media on reclaimed objects composition







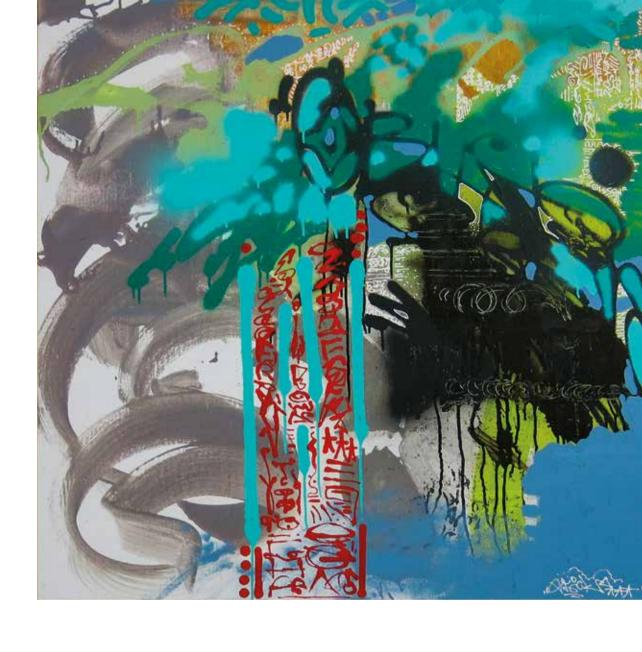




LostN Found, 2021

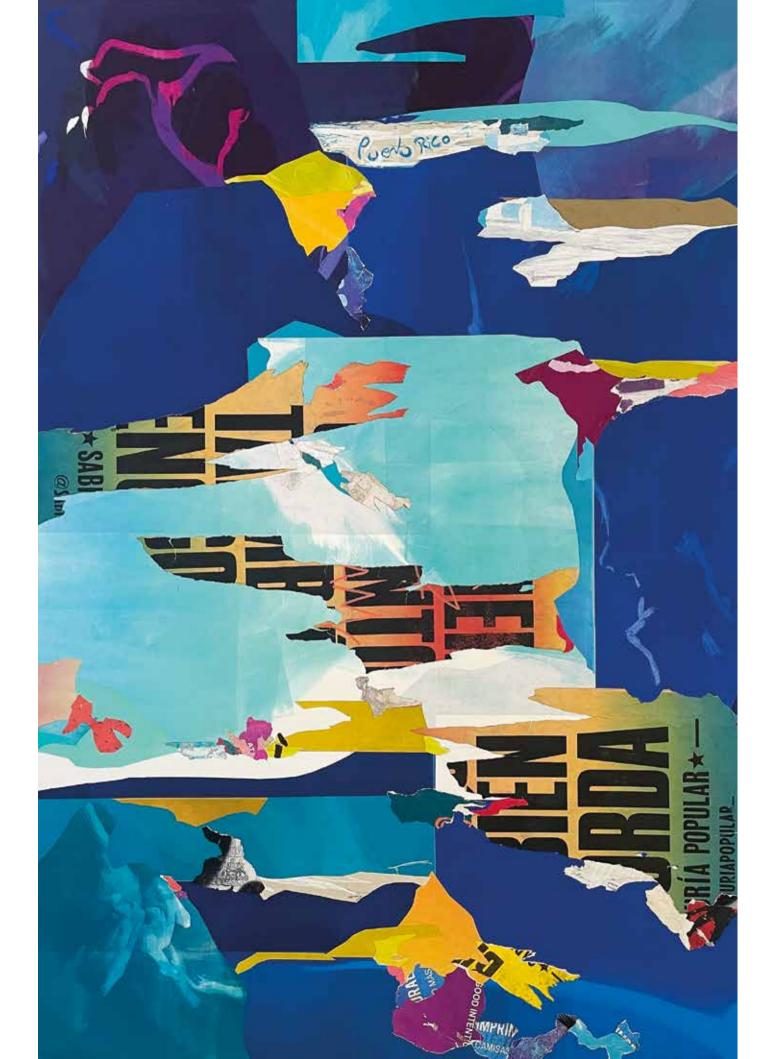
152 x 257cm, mixed media on reclaimed objects composition





< **ProcessN1**, 2022 180 x 185cm, mixed media on canvas





PHILIPPE LAMESCH

Trained as a traditional printmaker at the School of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and the KALA Art Institute in Berkeley, I have reinvented the use of classical printmaking to create 'printed collages'. In my recent series, my process starts with the creation of cut-out paper shapes on which I print, draw or paint. I then use these shapes as elements to create painterly compositions.

In 2019 I experimented for the first time with found objects such as ripped, worn poster pieces that I added to my collages. I started with this concept during my 2019 art-residency in Brooklyn, NY, a place where urban walls with old, torn, and outdated poster pieces are quite common. This was the beginning of my series 'Torn Up World'. In early 2020 I had planned to travel to many European cities to collect these posters, but the pandemic drastically changed my plans. As I couldn't leave Luxembourg for many months, I came up with an idea: I contacted my artist friends all over the world and asked them if they could help me collect poster pieces in their cities. After all, everyone was stuck at home! This idea quickly turned into a large project, with artists from 4 continents and about 20 countries helping me find materials for my work. Over the next few months, I received packages from all over the world, from Shanghai to Rio and Ouagadougou. The project resulted in a solo show at the Valerius Gallery in Luxembourg city. The project has been documented in the 'Torn Up World'- catalogue published by the Gallery.

Over the last year, I have continued to work in the medium of printmaking and collage, still exploring the use of found posters in my compositions. In my newest works I further explore the interplay between the printed surfaces and the quilt-like assemblage of poster pieces to create vivid imagery that draws the viewer in.

But more than that, I came to the realization that the collecting of the posters is a crucial part of the creative process. In fact, since travel bans lifted all over Europe in 2021, I have been traveling quite a bit to collect posters myself. Spending hours walking through cities, often early in the morning, or late at night, and exploring many different neighborhoods, always on the lookout for some paper-treasures, really allowed me to develop very special relationships with the cities that I visited. In my newest works I attempt to truly capture the ambiance of each city, not only by carefully choosing imagery and text, but also through the colors and composition.





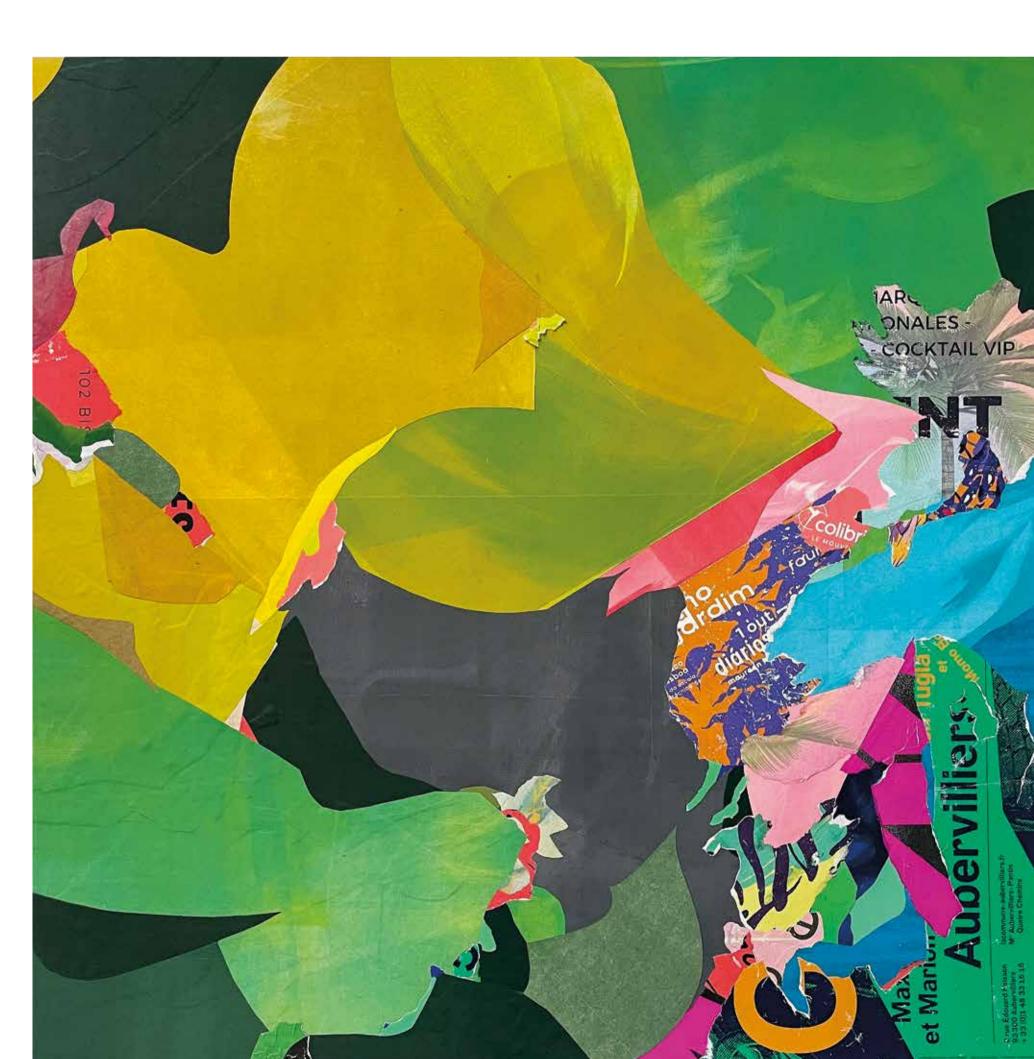








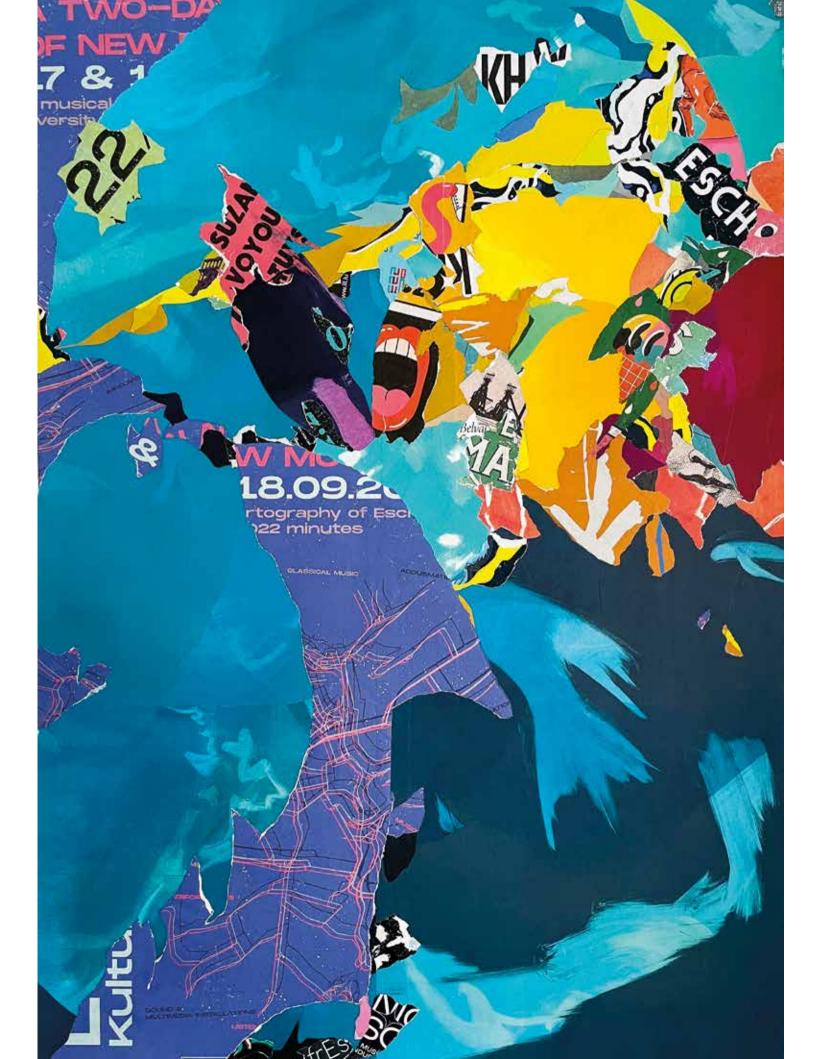


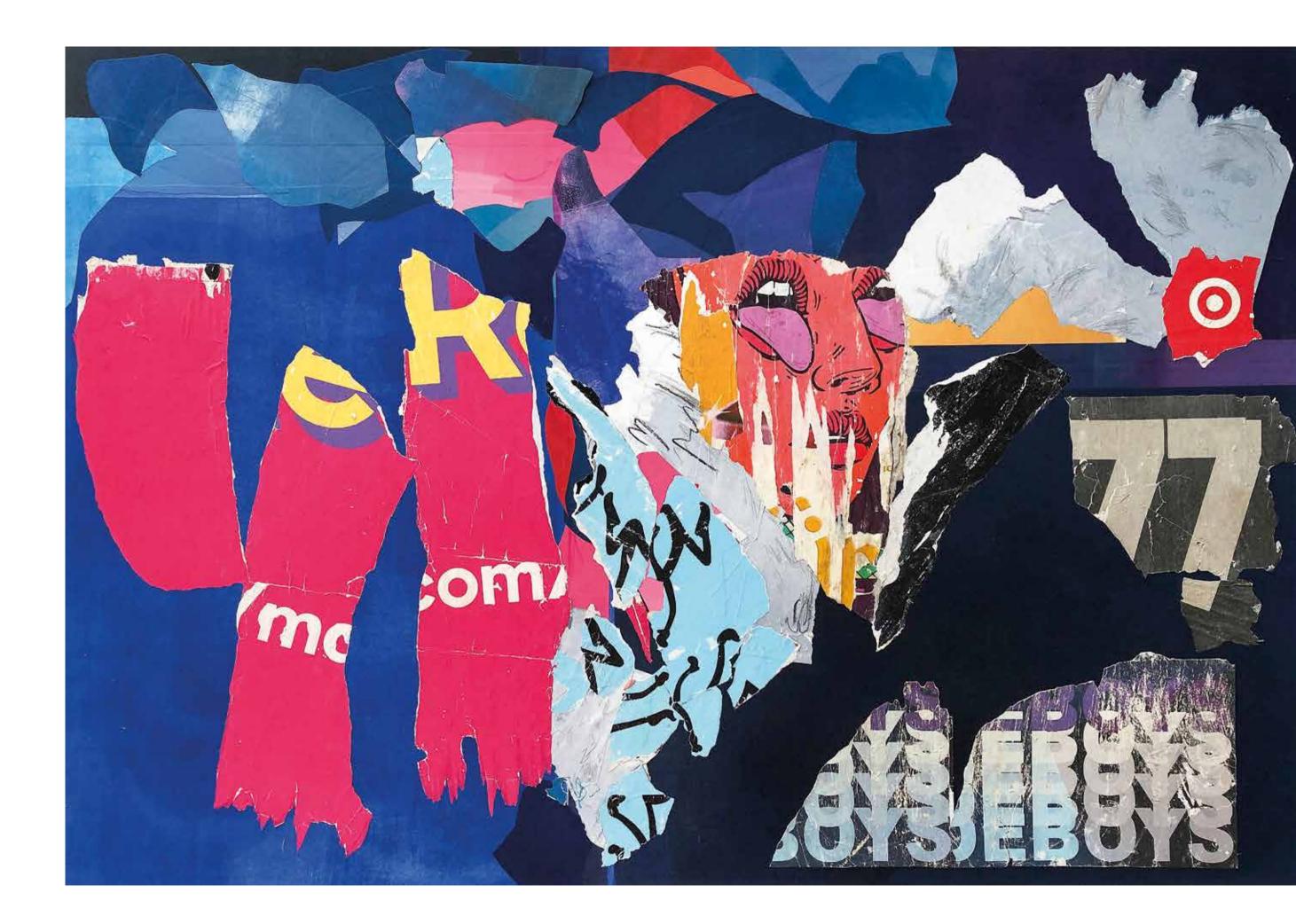




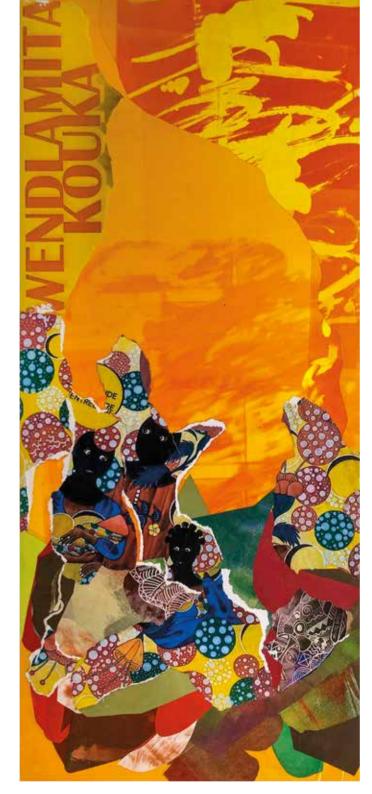










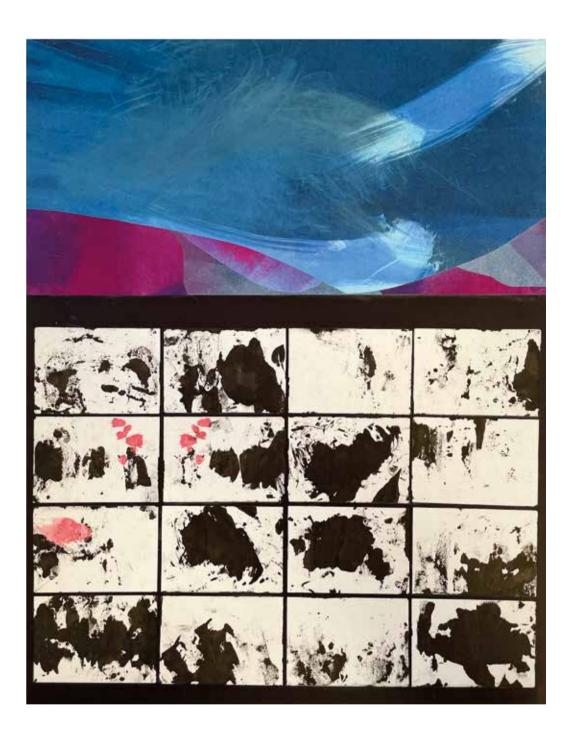


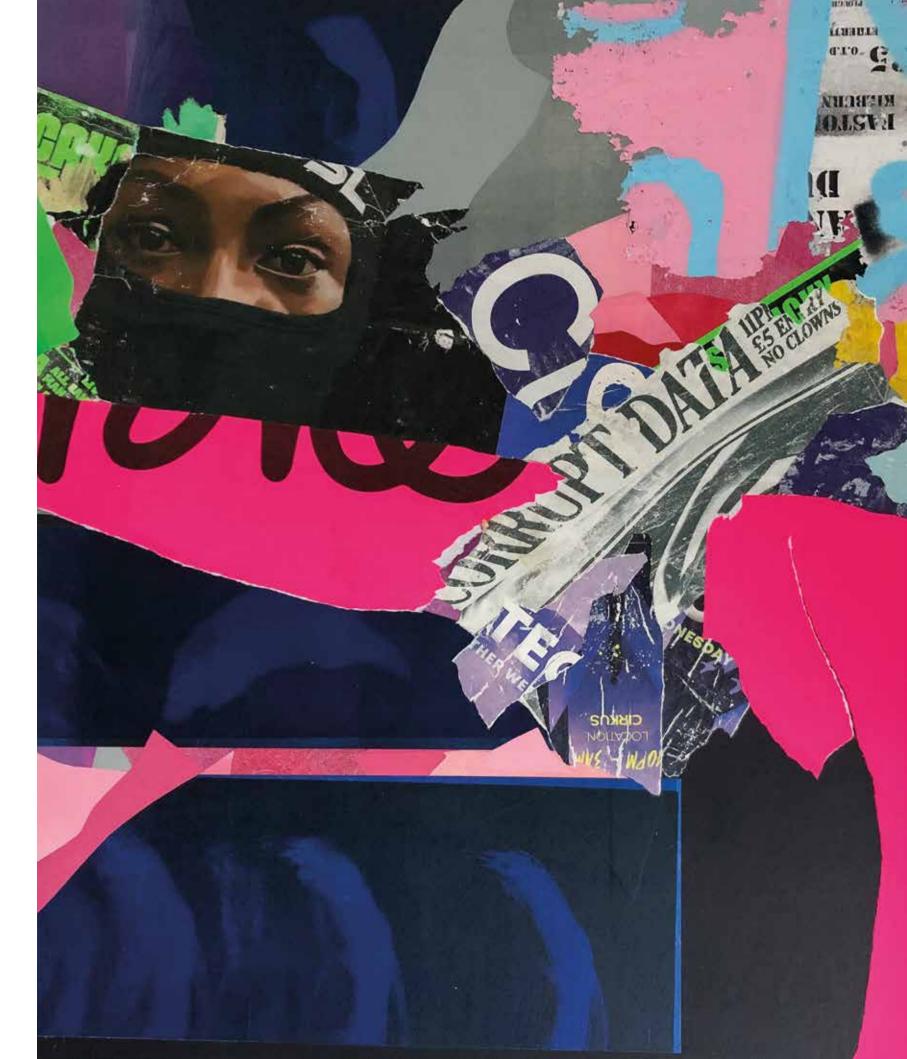


I'll keep the Gorilla, 2022 80 x 100cm, mixed media, monoprint, collage

Torn up – Ouagadougou, 2020 40 x 80cm, mixed media, monoprint, collage

Torn up – Praia, 2020 40 x 80 cm, mixed media, monoprint, collage





STICK

Bio

1977

Born in Luxembourg

1994-1998

Lycée Technique des Arts et Métiers (Luxembourg) Diplôme de Technicien, division artistique, section design graphique (13°)

1998-1999

Établissement Communal d'Enseignement Supérieur des Arts Plastiques « le 75 » (Bruxelles) Section : Graphisme

1999-2003

La Cambre, École Nationale Supérieure des Arts Visuels (Bruxelles) Diplôme de candidat en arts plastiques, visuels et de l'espace, champ interdisciplinaire : Image imprimée, sérigraphie

Since 2003

Lives and works in Luxembourg

Exhibitions

2016

Me and My Artists, 1st **Artist THE STICK** 1,rue de la Loge organized by Richard T. Aintsworth (LU)

2016

Group exhibition Art2cure Galerie de l'Indépendance organized by Art2cure, Banque Internationale à Luxembourg and University's Luxembourg Center for Systems Biomedicine (LU)

2016

Group exhibition (Con) Temporary Art Gallery Lorentzweiler organized by Joel Rollinger (LU)

2017

Solo exhibition **Touche Du Bois** at Galerie Nosbaum Reding Projects Luxembourg (LU)

2017

Group exhibition Art2cure 2017 Galerie de l'Indépendance Bil organized by Art2cure & University's Luxembourg Center for Systems Biomedicine (LU)

2017

Exhibition Error On The Wall at the centre culturel CAW à Walferdange as curator (LU)

2017

Group exhibition Connect 4 at Sixthfloor at Koerich Luxembourg organized by artistes and the Sixthfloor (LU)

2018

Exhibition for the **Antiques & Art Fair Luxembourg** at Luxexpo Luxembourg (LU)

2018

Group exhibition Urban Art Springbreak 2018 at Luxexpo Luxembourg organized by Raphael Gindt & Daniel Mac Lloyd (LU)

2018

Group exhibition Art2cure 2018 Ronald Feldman Gallery NewYork organized by Art2cure & University's Luxembourg Center for Systems Biomedicine

2018

Group exhibition **Schwaartz Haus** at Luxembourg organized by Joel Rollinger (LU)

2018

Solo exhibition **Le Fond dans la Forme** at EY Luxembourg organized by EY Club Art (LU)

2018

Group exhibition La Fin du Hariko Hariko
Luxembourg organized by Victor Tricar & Hariko
(LU)

2019

Group exhibition **Aal Esch** at Esch/Alzette organized by CUEVA (LU)

2019

Solo exhibition **Lost'N'Found** at 1to1 Gallery Luxembourg organized by 1to1 Gallery (LU)

2019

Duo exhibition Schmelz / Stick & Spike at old Arbed site Esch/Schifflange organized by Spike & Stick (LU)

2019

Group exhibition End of the Year Group Show at 1to1 Gallery Luxembourg organized by 1to1 Gallery (LU)

2020

Duo exhibition & art car Sader & Stick at Muzzolini Garage Esch/Alzette organized by Muzzolini Garage in collaboration with Art2cure (LU)

2020

Group exhibition FuelboxIV old Aceadventure store Howald organized by Fuelbox (LU)

2020

Group exhibition **Bâtiment4** at Esch/Alzette organized by CUEVA (LU)

2021

Group exhibition Art2cure 2021 Gallerie de l'Indépendence, BIL at Luxembourg organized by Art2cure & University's Luxembourg Center for Systems Biomedicine (LU)

2022

Group exhibition FuelboxVI Anciennes Caves des Vignerons at Stadtbredimus Luxembourg organized by Fuelbox (LU)

2022

Group exhibition **Metze Schmelz** at Esch/Alzette organized by CUEVA (LU)

2022

Group exhibition 4th Anniversary Expo - Stick - Thomas Iser - Sumo at 1to1 Gallery Luxembourg organized by 1to1 Gallery (LU)

PHILIPPE LAMESCH

Bio

1977

Born in Esch/Alzette (LU)

2001-2012

Lived in the USA

Currently

Lives in Belvaux (LU)

Notable Exhibitions (since 2012)

2012

Solo show at the Luxembourg Consulate, San Francisco (USA)

2013

Solo show **New works**, Nosbaum Reding Gallery, Luxembourg City (LU)

2015

Group Show **Art2cure** at Galerie KUFA, Esch/Alzette, Luxembourg (LU)

2015

Group Show **Deemols & Elo**, Gallerie Beim Engel, Luxembourg City (LU)

2016

Group Show **Art2cure** at Galerie l'Indépendance, Luxembourg city (LU)

2017

Duo Show **Identity of Abstraction** with Belen Irazola, Societa Dante Alighieri, Luxembourg (LU)

2017

Duo Show **Negative Space** with Boris Loder, Theatre d'Esch (LU)

2018

Duo Show **Pop of Color**, with Daniel Lloyd, A Rousen Gallery, Petange (LU)

2018

Group Show Art in Lucca, Villa Bottini, Lucca (I)

2018

Group Show Windows, GX Gallery, London, (UK)

2018

Invited Artist **Yearly Exhibition**, Sixthfloor Gallery, Kanach (LU)

2018

Trio Show **The End is Your Choice**, Nosbaum Reding Gallery, Luxembourg City (LU)

2019

Group Show **Pop of Color 2**, Kamellebuttek, Esch/Alzette (LU)

2019

Duo Show **Shapes of Then & Beyond** with Ben Carter, Lux House, New York City (USA)

2021

Solo Show **Torn Up World**, Valerius Gallery, Luxembourg City (LU)

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Group Show **What Water**, Galerie Exit07, Luxembourg City (LU)

2022

Solo Show **Drop the Mic**, Valerius Gallery, Luxembourg City (LU)

Curated Exhibitions

2011

A Take on Nature Carnegie Gallery, Stanford University, Palo Alto (USA)

2015

Pilot Project **Art2Cure** Luxembourg, KUFA Gallery, Esch/Alzette (LU)

2016-2023

Art2Cure Luxembourg, Galérie L'Indépendance, Luxembourg City (LU)

2018

Art2Cure New York City, Ronald Feldman Gallery, New York City, (USA)

Memberships

2008-2012

Artist at the KALA Art Institute, Berkeley (USA)

2014-today

Artist and board member at ATELIER EMPREINTE in Luxembourg City (LU)

Residencies

2018

2-week residency at CASA BERTI, Lucca, (I)

2019

4-week residency at Bruce High Quality Foundation, Brooklyn (USA)

2023

3-week residency at EL SUR Mexico City (MEX)

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