

# RUI CARRUÇO

## Biography

Rui Carruço led an academic life in the field of exact sciences until he decided to dedicate himself completely to painting.

In 2000, he took the Drawing course in the National Society of Fine Arts in Lisbon. In 2003 the course of "etching" in Portuguese Etching Cooperative and he attended the studios of several plastic artists. In 2004 he attended the Renaissance Painting Techniques from the Angel Academy of Arts in Florence and in 2005 the course of stone sculpture of the International Sculpture Center.

In 2013 he co-founded the International Atelier of Fine Arts where he remains as one of the painting teachers. It is represented in many private and public collections.

## Statement

I only feel alive when I fight against my habits or when I change the certain for the uncertain in search of new adventures! With painting the same happens! Play it safe has always been an obstacle for the achievement of great discoveries! Who is not free does not realize their dreams. And I dream a lot! Seeking to be increasingly free is my goal as an artist and as a human being!

## His Work

His works are represented in several public collections, like the Embassy of Portugal in Poland (Warsaw), Sintra City Hall, Lourinhã City Hall, Oureana Foundation of Culture and in several famous private collections like the collection of the King Kigeli V of Rwanda, the collection of the Prince of Ethiopia Ermias Sahle Selassie or the collection of Cicciolina in Rome.

## Selected Prizes, Awards and Recognitions

2017 - Prix Spécial at the 20th Contemporary Art Exhibition in Paris

2017 - Artist Personality Award 2016 - Vila Real Artes 17, Vila Real

2015 - 1st Place, Gold Medal at the International Exhibition of Painting São Brás de Alportel, Algarve, Portugal

2014 - 1st Place, Gold Medal in the 3rd International Art Exhibition of Estoril "State of the Art", Lisboa, Portugal

2006 - Painting and Sculpture Award - Artur Bual - II Edition, Amadora, Portugal

2004 - Painting Prize D.Fernando II - VIII Edition, Sintra, Portugal

## Exhibitions

Carruço has held numerous solo and group exhibitions in various parts of the world

## Selected Solo Exhibitions

2020 - Galeria Municipal Artur Bual, Lisbon

2019 - CNAP, National Plastic Arts club, Lisbon

2019 - Casino Estoril Art Gallery

2018 - Art Gallery D. Pedro, Porto

2018 - CNAP, National Plastic Arts Club, Lisbon

2017 - Municipal Gallery of Sobral de Monte Agraço

2017 - Gallery of the Tapestry Museum Guy Fino, Portalegre

2016 - Fundação Portugal Telecom, Lisbon

2016 - Gallery of São Sebastião, Portalegre  
2015 - CNAP, National Plastic Arts Club, Lisbon  
2014 - Vestígios, Lisbon  
2013 - Gallery CB Concept Art, Lisbon  
2012 - Museum of the Republic and Resistance, Lisbon  
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2007 - "Gravura" Gallery, Lisbon  
2007 - III Lisbon International Erotic Salon (FIL)  
2007 - I Expo Sexy, Portimão  
2006 - Museum of the Republic and Resistance, Lisbon  
2006 - II Lisbon International Erotic Salon (FIL)  
2005 - Lourinhã Cultural Center Gallery, Lourinhã  
2005 – Artist House of Góis. Góis  
2005 - Ethnographic Museum of Arganil, Arganil  
2005 - Museum of the Republic and Resistance, Lisbon  
2005 - "Gravura" Gallery, Lisbon  
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### **Selected International Exhibitions**

2017 - 20th Contemporary Art Exhibition in Paris, France  
2016 - Galeria Gaudi, Madrid, Spain  
2016 - Affordable Art Fair, Brussels, Belgium  
2016 - Gaudi Galeria, Madrid, Spain  
2012 - Galerie de Nesle, Paris, France  
2007 - Broadway Gallery, New York City, USA  
2007 - NY Arts Gallery Beijing, Beijing, China  
2007 - Color Elefante Galeria, Valência, Spain  
2004 - Galeria DAP – dom artysty plastyka – Warsaw, Poland  
2004 - IV Centenario de Dom Quijote de La Mancha, Socuéllamos, Spain

### **Selection of Private Collections**

King of Rwanda, Kigely V, New York, USA  
Prince of Ethiopia, Ermias Sahle Selassié, New York, USA  
Ilona Staller (Cicciolina) Rome, Italy

### **Selection of Public Collections**

Lisbon Carmo Hotel  
Embassy of Portugal in Poland, Warsaw, Poland  
Sintra City Hall  
Lourinhã City Hall  
Portalegre City Hall  
Oureana Foundation for Culture  
Vox Populi Foundation

### **Bibliography**

The First Contemporary Art Golden Book of Portugal, 2009

### **Memberships:**

Association International des Arts Plastiques from UNESCO