NAPOLES MARTY

Works



In my artistic practice, I employ the human body as the primary vehicle for conveying my ideas. By utilizing materials such as wood, plaster, clay, concrete, and oil, I conjure figures that seamlessly navigate the realms of reality and fiction, encompassing a wide range of aesthetics from classical to modernist. These beings embody a captivating corporeality, bearing the visible imprints of their creation. Purposefully left rough and unfinished, and at times distorted, they serve as a gateway into the intricate dynamics of power and vulnerability inherent in contemporary society. It is through their disconcerting and grotesque nature that I explore these themes.

The creatures portrayed in my work act as narrative vessels in a perpetual state of transformation. They oscillate between ghostly apparitions and monstrous beings, often embodying classical forms inspired by artists from the 20th and 21st centuries while channeling my own dreams and personal experiences. They assume the roles of protectors, monsters, and embodiments of our deepest myths. Their profound connection to life and death permeates my artistic exploration, frequently depicted through the metamorphosis from flesh to bones, across various series.

THE HEAD

(Series)







Charred Head I, 2024. Oil and acrylic on canvas 102 1/4 x 68 1/4 inches / 260 x 173.3 cm



Muse III, 2024. Oil and acrylic on canvas 102 1/4 x 68 1/4 inches / 260 x 173.3 cm



The Messenger, 2023. Charred wood and oil stick 103 x 36 x 30 inches / 261.6 x 91.4 x 76.2 cm













Charred Head II, 2023. Charred wood and oil stick 26 x 14 x 14 inches / 66 x 35.5 x 35.5 cm





Charred Head I, 2023. Charred wood and oil stick 85 x 17 x 16 3/4 inches / 216 x 43 x 42 cm







Self-portrait as a Creature, 2023. Charred wood and oil stick 25 1/2 x 9 1/2 x 8 1/4 inches / 64.7 x 24 x 20.9 cm







Charred Head III, 2023. Charred wood and oil stick 81 x 31 x 28 inches / 205 x 78 x 71 cm





The Sculptor (8 of 23 Drawings), 2023-2024. Dry pastel on pastelboard 14 x 11 inches / 35.5 x 28 cm



The Sculptor (11 of 23 Drawings), 2023-2024. Dry pastel on pastelboard 14 x 11 inches / 35.5 x 28 cm



The Sculptor (7 of 23 Drawings), 2023-2024. Dry pastel on pastelboard 14 x 11 inches / 35.5 x 28 cm









THE DREAMER

(Series)



Resting Figure II, 2023. Ceramic, wood and graphite 44 x 17 x 12 inches / 111 x 43 x 30 cm














Wild Head, 2023. Oil stick, acrylic and graphite on canvas 54 1/2 x 31 1/2 inches / 138.4 x 80 cm







THE GUARDIAN

(Series)



The Leader, 2021 - 2022. Wood, plaster, oil stick, charcoal and acrylic 57 x 22 x 20 inches / 144 x 50.8 x 50.8 cm





Guardian III - 2022. Wood, oil stick, charcoal and acrylic 82 x 36 x 35 inches / 208.2 x 91.4 x 89 cm





Saint, 2022 - 2023. Wood, oil stick, charcoal and acrylic 79 x 15 x 14 inches / 200.6 x 38.1 x 35.5 cm





Guardian I, 2021. Wood, oil stick and acrylic 104 x 26 x 25 inches / 264.16 x 66 x 63.5 cm





The Leader II, 2022. Acrylic and oil stick on canvas 48 x 30 inches / 121.9 x 72.2 cm



The Leader III, 2022. Acrylic and oil stick on canvas 48 x 30 inches / 121.9 x 72.2 cm DIE WALKÜRE (THE VALKYRIE)



Black Valkyrie, 2021- 2023. Charred wood and oil stick 88 x 25 x 24 inches / 223.5 x 63.5 x 60.9 cm

















Nordic Dreamers, 2021. Wood, oil stick, charcoal and acrylic 73 x 26 1/4 x 23 3/4 inches / 185.4 x 66 x 60.3 cm







Toss, 2021. Oil stick on canvas 20 x 16 inches / 50.8 x 40.6 cm

GHOST COUPLE

(Series)











Overthinking, 2019 - 2020. White earthenware clay with coloured ceramic pastels, epoxy resin, wood, plaster, oil stick and graphite 20 x 20 x 70 inches / 59.7 x 59.7 x 178 cm












THE FIGHTER

(Series)

























FRAGMENTS AND LOVERS

(Series)



Transhumant III, 2019. Plaster, wood, paint and graphite 78 x 66 x 26 inches / 197 x 92 x 67 cm



Transposed Bodies, 2019. Plaster, wood, pastel and graphite 75 x 14 x 14 inches / 192 x 35 x 35 cm.









WORKS IN PROGRESS









CV

Napoles Marty

Lives and works in Rhode Island, USA.

Education and professional experience

2021 - Creative Drawing Teacher. North Star Academy – Washington Park High School. NJ, USA
2020 - Ceramic Teacher. Brooklyn Ascend Middle School. NY, USA
2004/2005- Sculpture teacher. National School of Fine Arts San Alejandro. Havana, Cuba.
2003/2004- Drawing teacher. National School of Fine Arts San Alejandro. Havana, Cuba.
2002/2003- Drawing teacher. Atelier Heriberto Manero. Havana, Cuba.
1998/2002- National School of Fine Arts San Alejandro. Sculpture. Havana, Cuba.

Residencies and Awards

- 2019- Guttenberg Arts Residency. New Jersey, USA.
- 2019- Art Residency Isolo 17 Gallery. Verona, Italy.
- 2017- Old Furnace Artist Residency. Virginia, USA.
- 2016- Acquisition Award Antonio López García. Ciudad de Tomelloso 2016. Ciudad Real, Spain.
- 2014- Interesarte award. 81 Salón de Otoño. Madrid, Spain.

2013- Acquisition fund. Figurativas 13. Fundació de les Arts i els Artistes. Museu Europeu d'Art Modern. Barcelona, Spain.

2011- Honorable Mention. Figurativas 11. Fundació de les Arts i els Artistes. Museu Europeu d'Art Modern, Barcelona. Spain.

Solo exhibitions

- 2023- The dreamer/The creature. Flanagan Campus Gallery. RI, USA.
- 2022- Die Walküre-Land. Knight Campus Gallery. RI, USA.
- 2019- Frammenti. Isolo 17 Gallery. Verona, Italy.
- 2017- Open Studio. Old Furnace Artist Residency. Virginia, USA.
- 2015- Deconstruction / Restructuring. 12th Havana Biennial. Havana, Cuba.
- 2014- Open Studio. Madrid, Spain.

- 2011- Open Studio. Madrid, Spain.
- 2014- Open Studio. Madrid, Spain.
- 2011- Open Studio. Madrid, Spain.

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2024 Cuerpos/Bodies. Open Studio 21.0. Carlos Garaicoa Studio. Madrid, Spain.
- 2023- This Is Out of Hand. The Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA). Maine, USA.
- 2023- Made in Hungary. Knight Campus Gallery. Rhode Island, USA.
- 2021- Premio Combat 2021 Prize. Museo Giovanni Fattori. Livorno, Italy.
- 2021-2020 Vision: Cabrillo College. California, USA.
- 2020- Shifting Streams: Twelve Artists by the Hudson River. Hostos Center, New York, USA.
- 2019- Guttenberg Arts Residency. New Jersey, USA..
- 2018- 38th Eva International Ireland's Biennial. Limerick City Gallery of Art. Ireland.
- 2016- Ciudad autónoma de Melilla. Museo Casa Ibánez. Melilla, Spain.
 - International Biennial of Contemporary Emerging Art Eve-Maria Zimmermann. Canary Island, Spain.
 - Federico Garcia Lorca Cultural Center. Madrid, Spain.
 - Ensamble 3x1. Open Studio. Madrid, Spain.
 - Valdepeñas 77. International Exhibition of Fine Arts. Ciudad Real, Spain.
 - Ciudad de Tomelloso 2016. Ciudad Real, Spain.
- 2015-82 Salón de Otoño. Casa de Vacas. Madrid, Spain.
 - De Facto. Collateral to the 12th Havana Biennial. Havana, Cuba.
- 2014-81 Salón de Otoño. Casa de Vacas. Madrid, Spain.
- 2013- Figurativas 13. Museu Europeu d'Art Modern. Barcelona, Spain.
- 2011- Figurativas 11. Museu Europeu d'Art Modern. Barcelona, Spain.
 - Figurativas 11. Museo Casa de la Moneda. Madrid, Spain.
- 2007- Borders. Fresa y Chocolate Gallery. Havana, Cuba.
- 2003- From the Earth. Fernando Boada Gallery. Havana, Cuba.
 - Exhibition Servando Cabrera Gallery. Havana, Cuba.
 - Heriberto Manero XX. Domingo Ravenet Gallery. Havana, Cuba.
- 2001- Conjunto. Expocuba Pavilion. Havana, Cuba.
- 2000- Académica. Casa de la Poesía. Havana, Cuba.

1999- Tribute. Casa Museo Osvaldo Guayasamín. Havana, Cuba.

- Anatomicum. 10 de Octubre Gallery. Havana, Cuba.
- Two Decades. Her Car Gallery. Havana, Cuba. 1998- 20 Years. 10 de Octubre Gallery. Havana, Cuba.
- Parallel Exhibition to the Sculpture Biennial Teodoro Ramos Blanco. 10 de Octubre Gallery. Havana, Cuba.
- Naturarte. Horizontes Panamericanos Resort Hotel. Havana, Cuba.
- 1997- Encounters Cuba- Argentina. Grupo 10 de Octubre Gallery. Havana, Cuba.

Public Collections

Museu Europeu d'Art Modern. Barcelona, Spain. Antonio López Torres Museum, Ciudad Real, Spain. Private Collections.