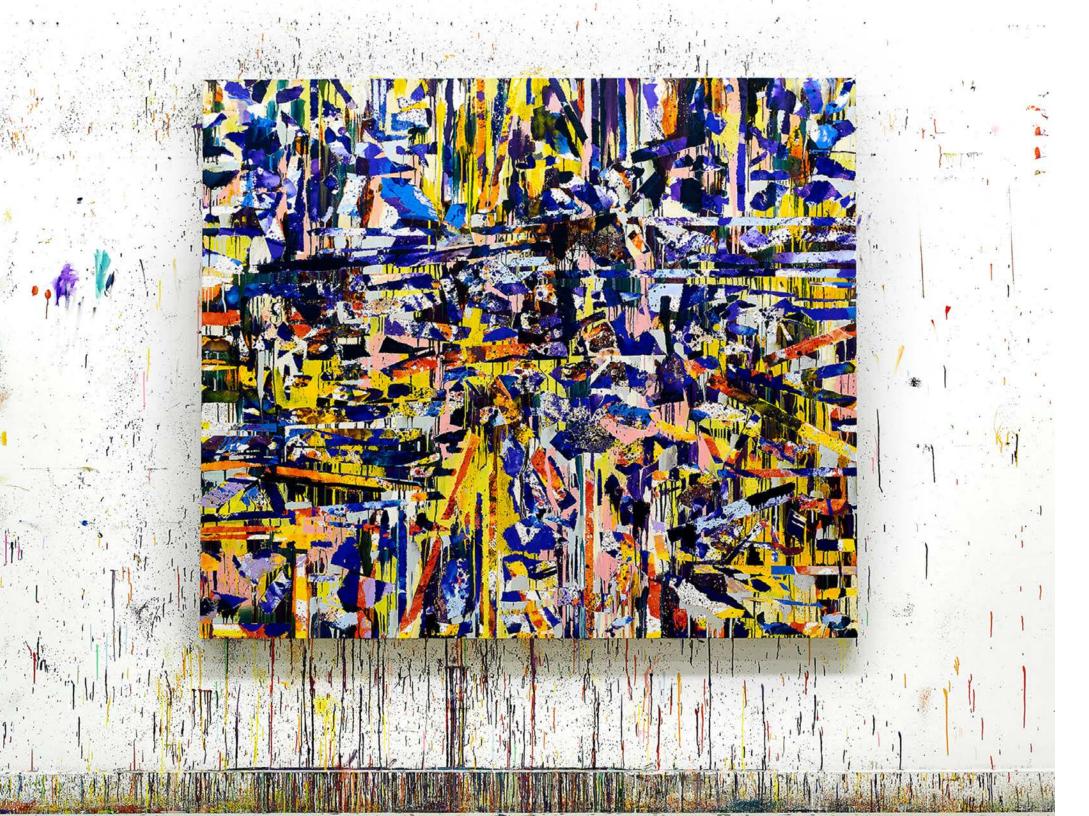
# Pierre Coupey

Selected Work 2022-2024

The complex of existence exceeds mentation's compass.

– John Cage



## Pierre Coupey

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... it's work of enduring, intimate loyalty to deeper sources, to the untroubled nature of that to which it testifies, that of which one is unable to speak directly: presence of the impossible, of something else than information, something other than power. Another story, of faithful affinities in imagination, timeless, a matter of love, the face of it the beautiful work, itself.

– Duncan McNaughton

In his work Coupey defies the power structure: breaking it apart and reconfiguring its abstractions into organic markings that take on patterns of their own -- commanding and releasing knowledge at a cellular level of being.

- Charlene Vickars

Coupey uses the term proprioception to refer to his embodied practice - that is, being in a zone in which viewers of his work might also find themselves. Our bodies themselves take our embodied minds, brains, feelings and spirits to a place of understanding and experience that is beyond reason or words.

– Liz Wylie

Painting to see things happen is also central to Coupey's method, both as an intellectual position that explains why he paints, and as a description of the way he physically goes about making a painting.

– Dion Kliner

Born of a poet's sensibility, these vibrant, rigorous works bear the scars of being seduced by and resisting nostalgia. They're improvisational, muscular, teased from impulses both besotted by and in flight from recurrence and abstraction. They're sensual, lyrical, sometimes angry; they track the hidden, the feared, the unrecognizable, and the longed for.

Colin Browne

To paint a mark within the pictorial quadrant is to make the mark of meaning that knows no limit... to trace the tremor of the hand that tries to recuperate all that is forgotten ... to find those words that are lost in their utterance... to reach into the vortex of the pictorial quadrant and inscribe a web of gestures to infinity...

– Ian Wallace





## Shinjuku

Oil on canvas 64 x 44 inches 2024

## In the Studio

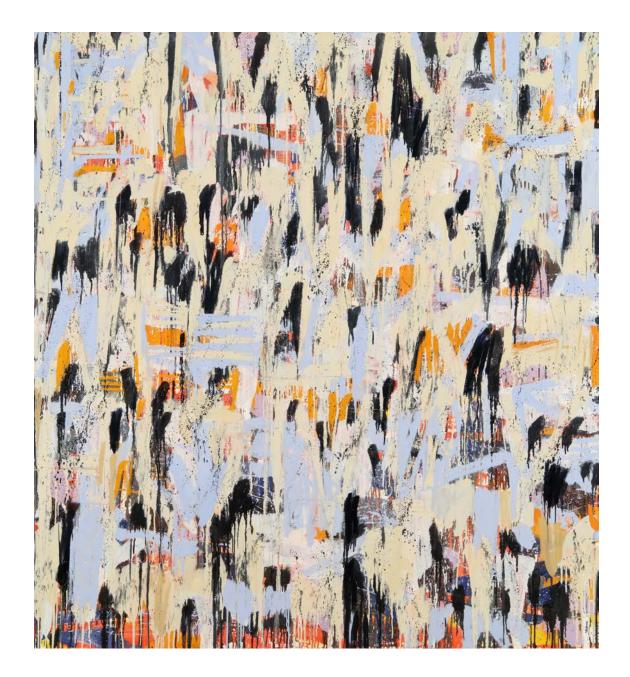
Three principles shape my practice, and each emphasizes an open-ended process: development through transformation; form is never more than an extension of content; the medium is the message.

In the studio the search is for discovery, not only through conception and perception, but mainly through proprioception – sensibility within the organism by movement of its own tissue – that is, through the intelligence of the body.

In the studio my focus is the choreography of the paint across the canvas, the brush hitting the surface with pigments, one after another, one over another, to make deep, entwined spaces: intimacies and closures, gaps and intervals.

A *poem*, Charles Olson said, *is a transfer of energy*. A painting also. These paintings are choreographies of embodied energies, architectures of rimed encounters with landscape, language, and art.

- Pierre Coupey



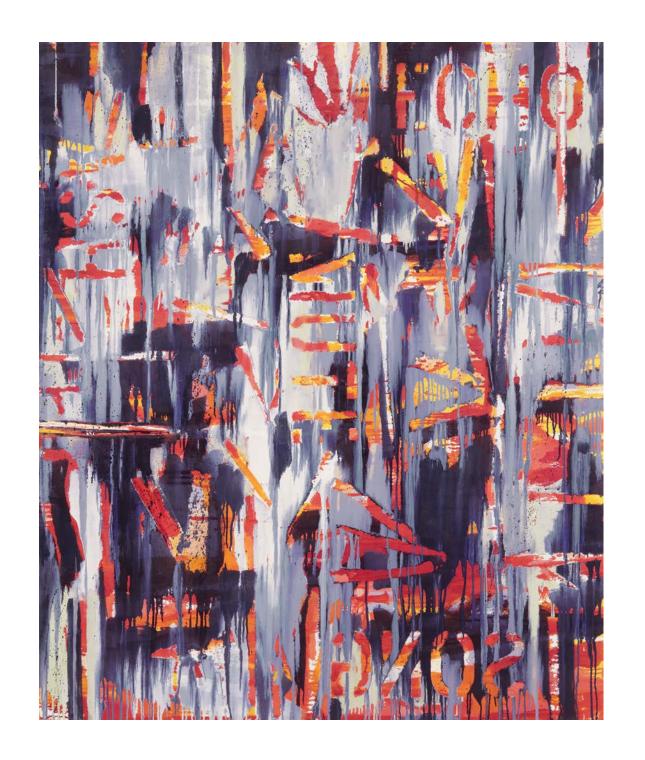
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Oil on canvas
70 x 64 inches
2022
Private collection, Tofino



Echo's Bones IV
Oil on canvas
70 x 64 inches
2022



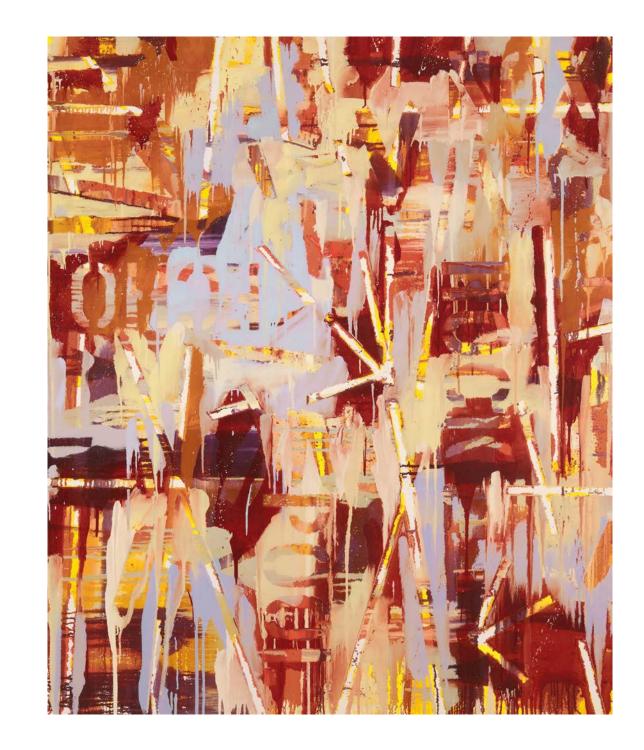
Echo's Bones V
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Private collection, Niagara-on-the-Lake



Echo's Bones VII
Oil on canvas
60 x 50 inches
2022



Echo's Bones VIII
Oil on canvas
60 x 50 inches
2022



Echo's Bones IX
Oil on canvas
60 x 50 inches
2022



Echo's Bones X
Oil on canvas
60 x 50 inches
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Echo's Bones XI
Oil on canvas
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Echo's Bones XII
Oil on canvas
60 x 50 inches
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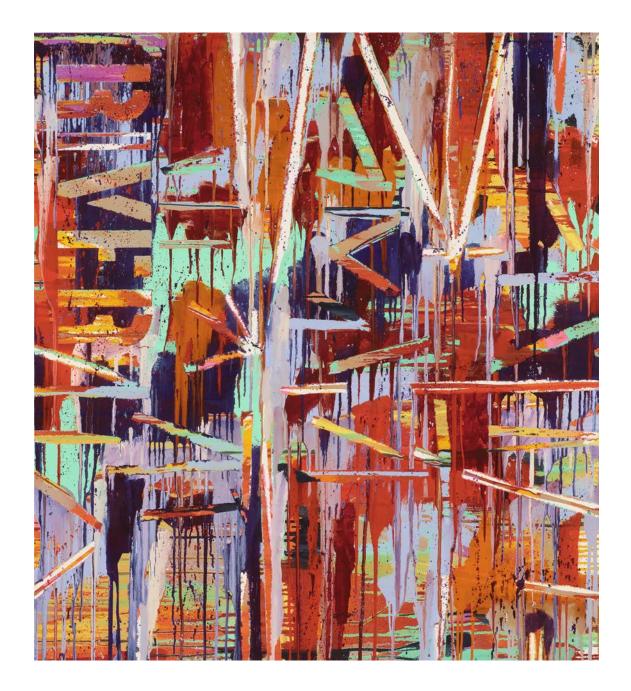












Echo's Bones XIII
Oil on canvas
40 x 36 inches
2022



Echo's Bones XIV
Oil on canvas
40 x 36 inches
2022



Echo's Bones XV
Oil on canvas
40 x 36 inches
2022



Echo's Bones XVI
Oil on canvas
40 x 36 inches
2022



Echo's Bones XIII-XVI studio shot



EchoBonesAsh II
Oil on prepared Arches Aquarelle
60 x 40 inches
2023



## EchoBonesAsh III

Oil on prepared Arches Aquarelle 60 x 40 inches 2023



Nox

Oil on prepared Arches Aquarelle 60 x 40 inches 2023

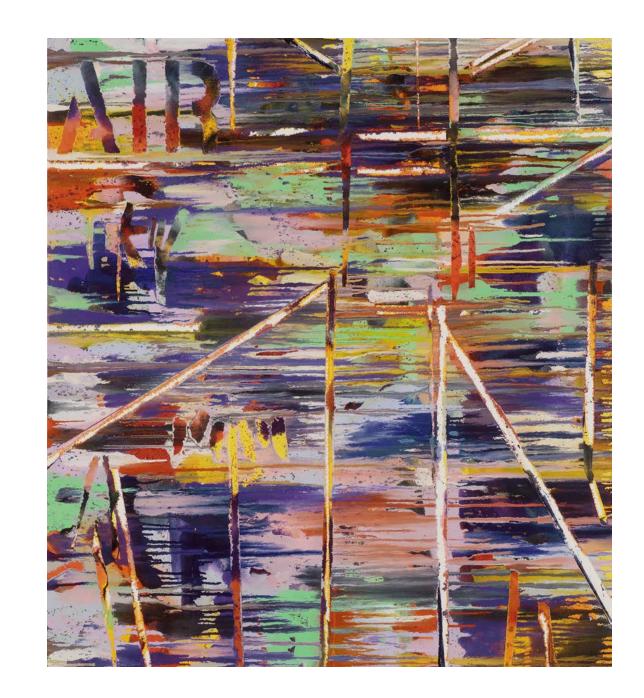


## Painting for Darrin Morrison

Oil on prepared Arches Aquarelle 40 x 60 inches 2023 Private collection, Burnaby



Canoe Lake I
Oil on canvas
40 x 36 inches
2023
Corporate collection, Toronto



Canoe Lake II
Oil on canvas
40 x 36 inches
2023
Corporate collection, Toronto



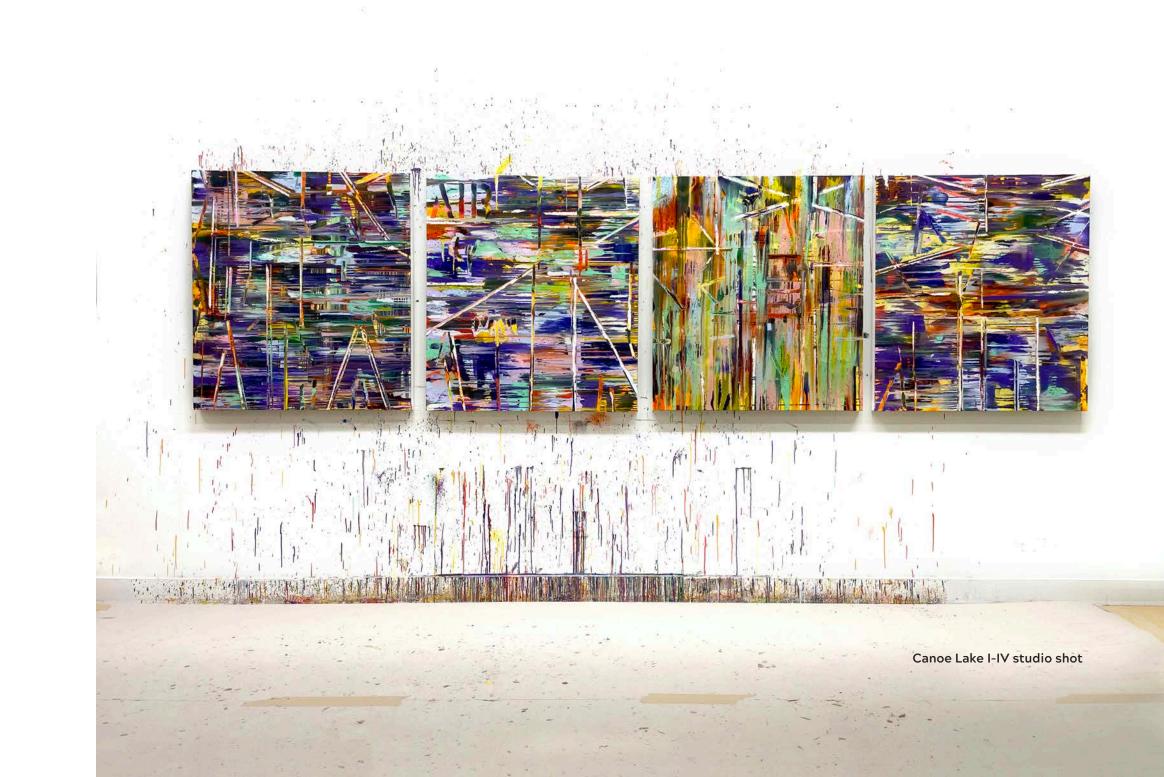
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Private collection, Vancouver

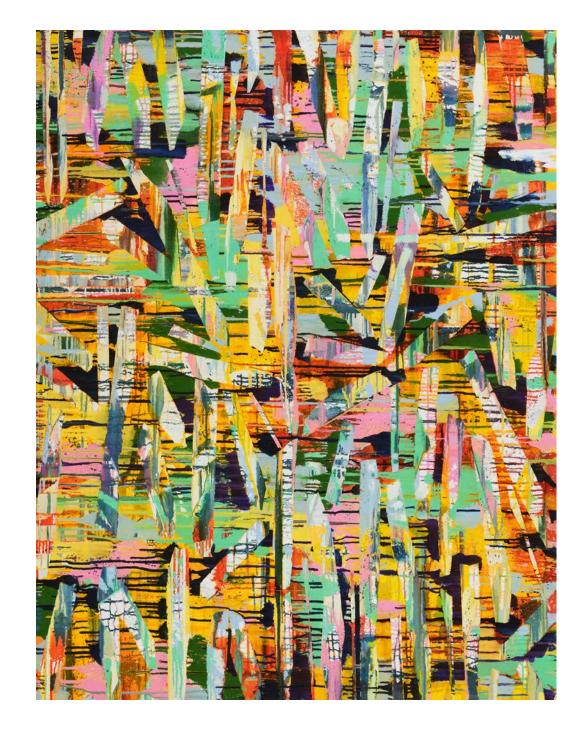


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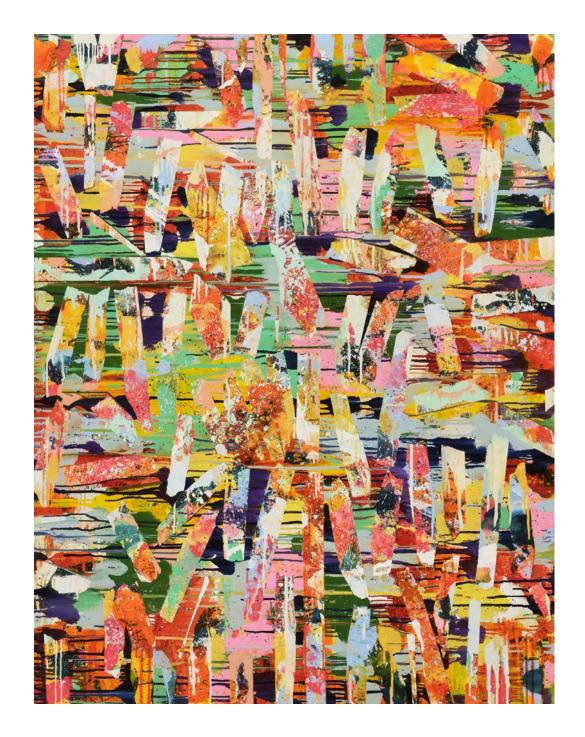


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50 x 50 inches
2023
Corporate collection, Detroit



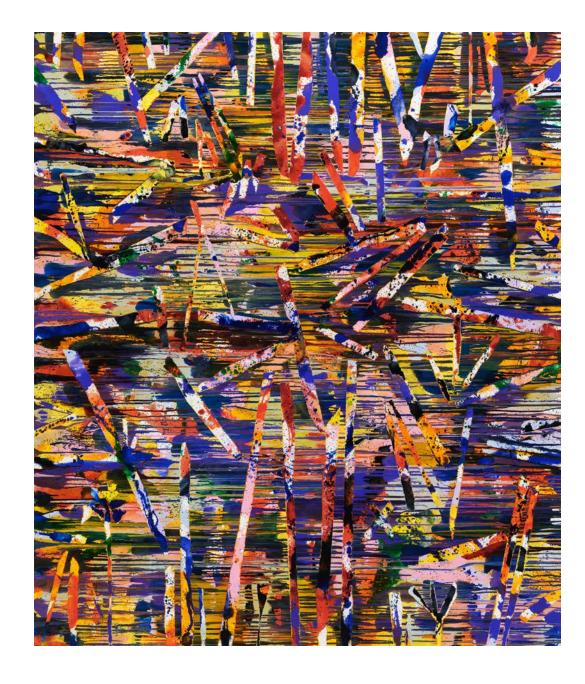


Liar's Dice I
Oil on canvas
54 x 42 inches
2024



Liar's Dice II
Oil on canvas
54 x 42 inches
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Caravane

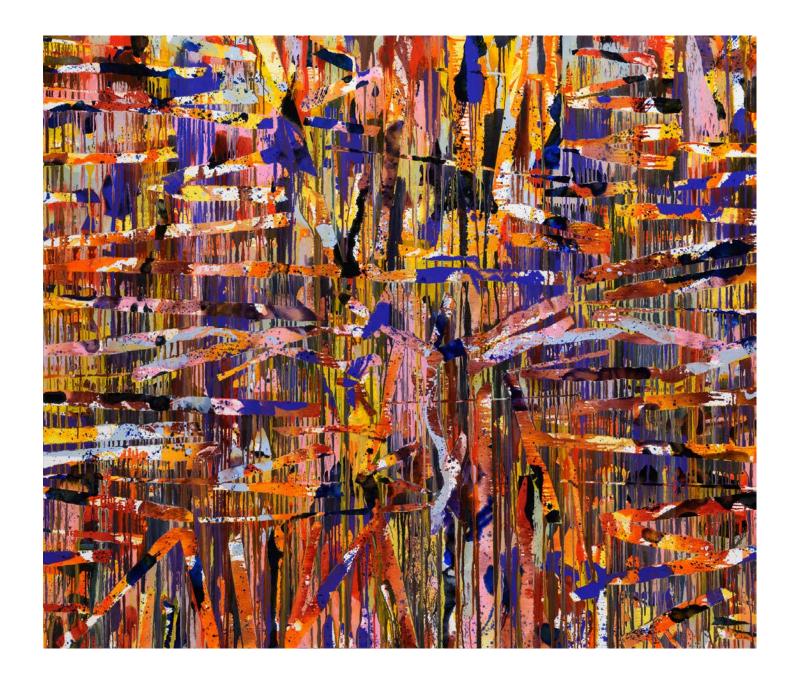
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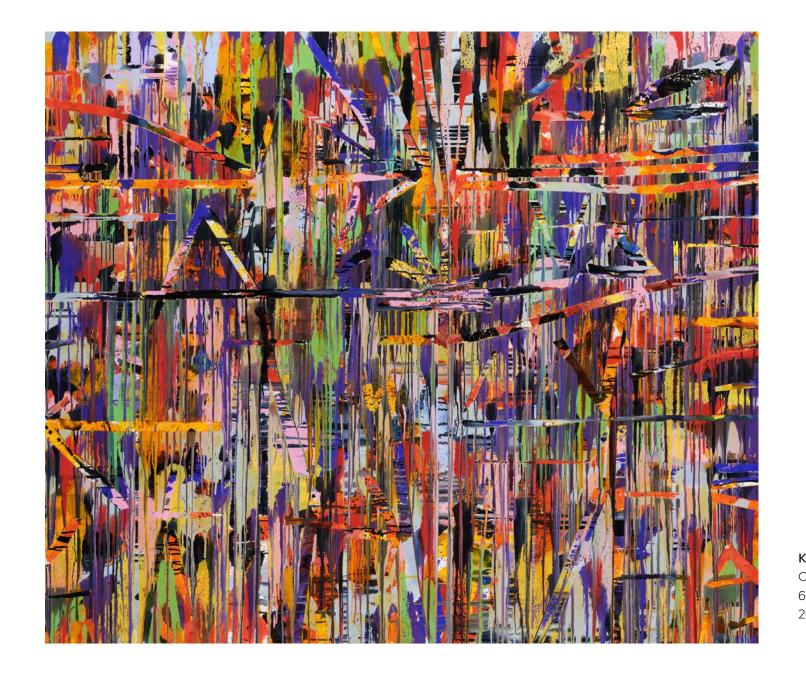
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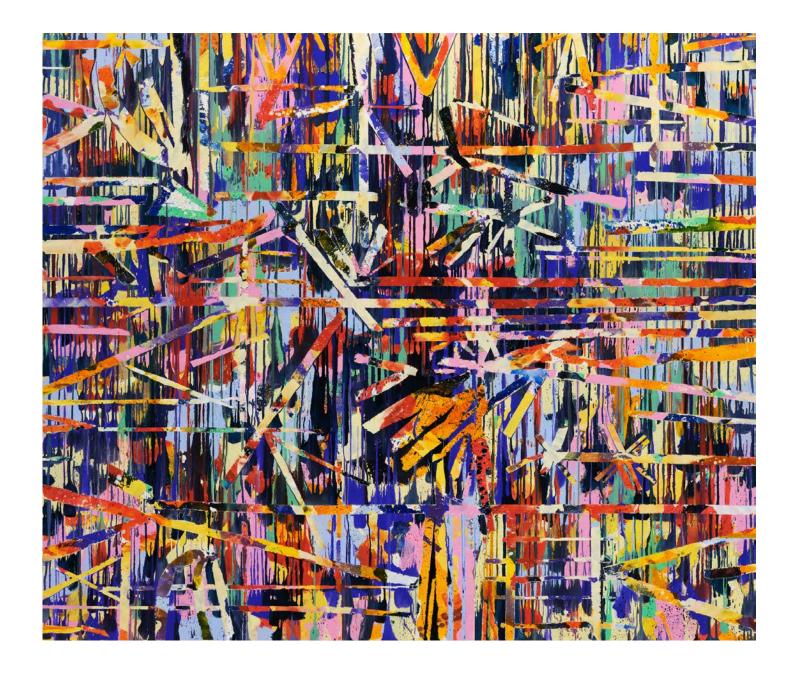
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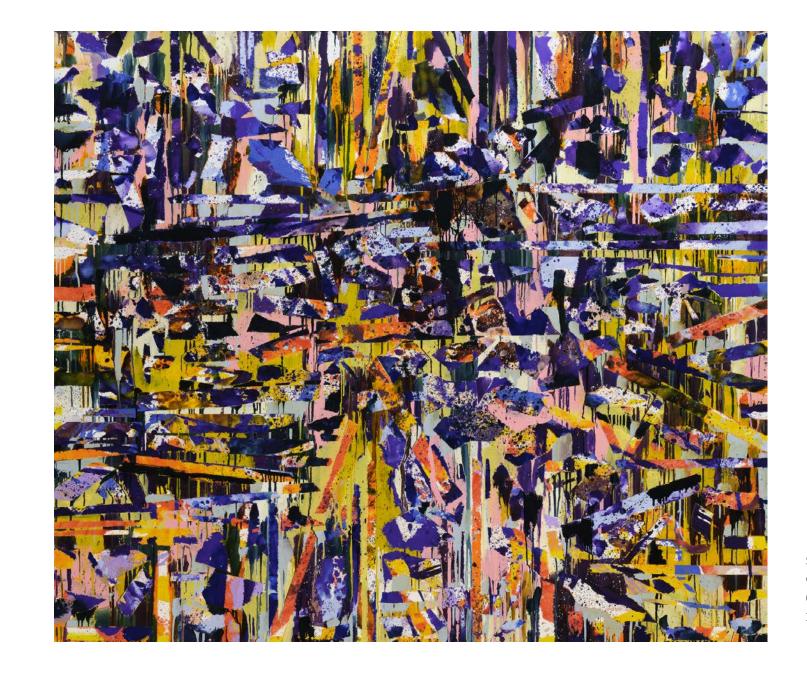
Hommage à Braque Oil on canvas 60 x 70 inches 2024



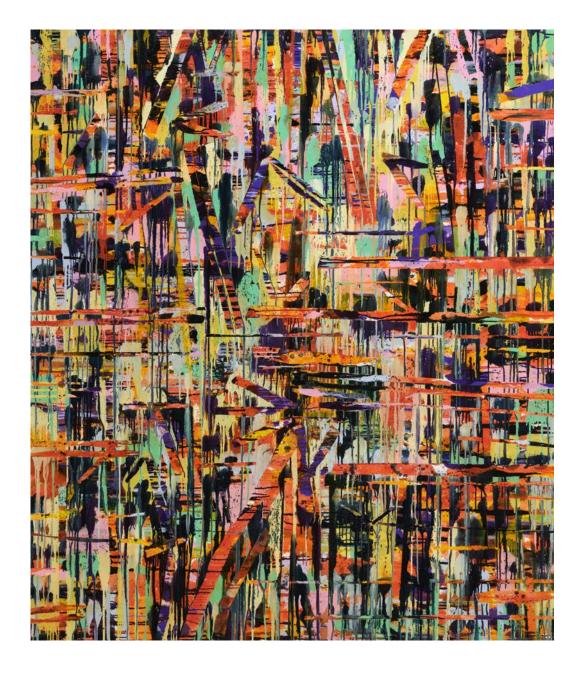
Kora
Oil on canvas
60 x 70 inches
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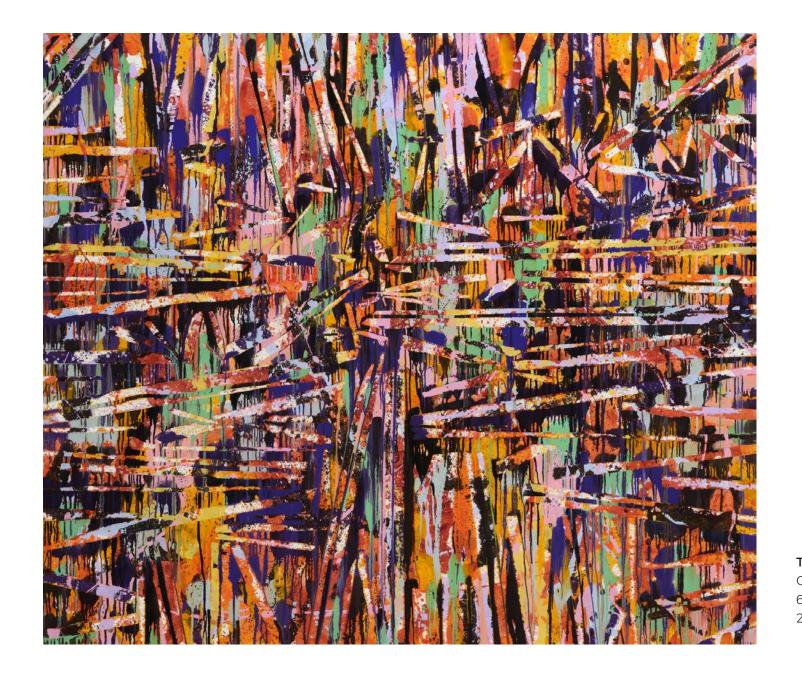
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Shift
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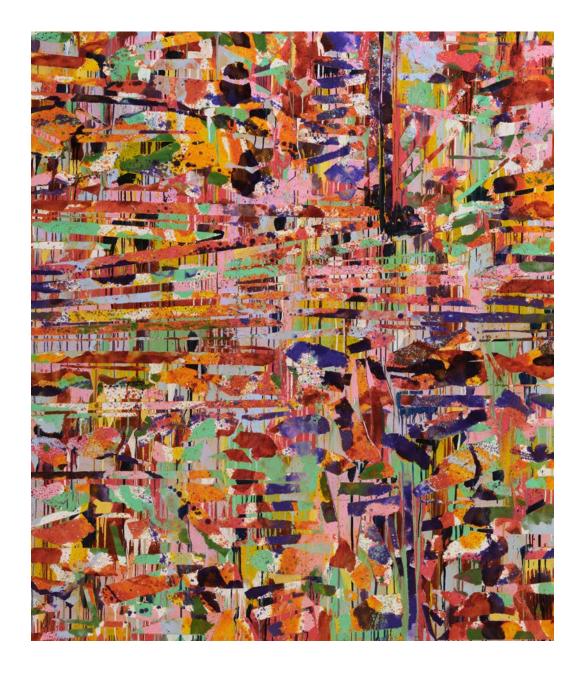
Trigger Point I
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70 x 60 inches
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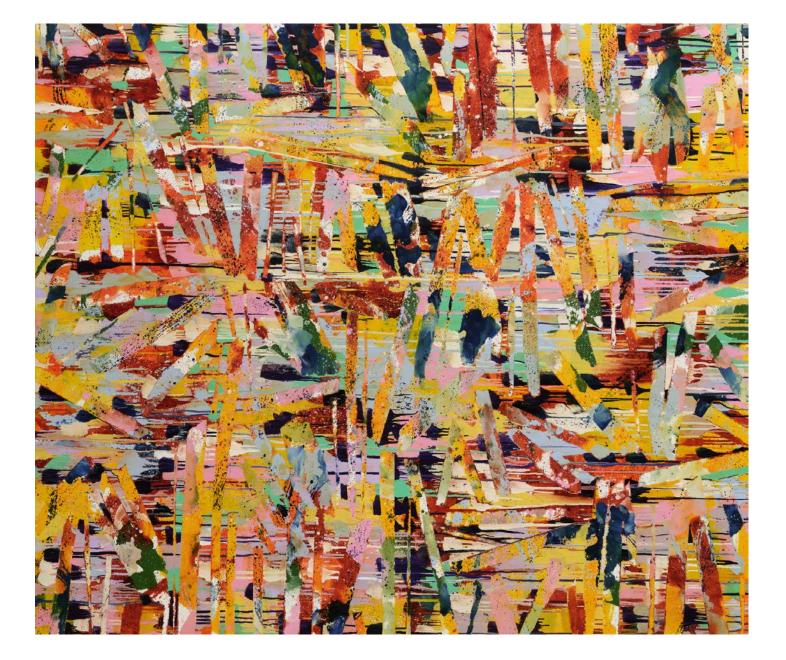
Trigger Point II
Oil on canvas
60 x 70 inches
2024

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Tiger's Eye
Oil on canvas
70 x 60 inches
2024



Maqam
Oil on canvas
60 x 70 inches
2024



## **Pierre Coupey**

(b 1942, Montreal, QC, Canada)

#### **Selected Solo Exhibitions**

- 2025 DreamTime, Gallery Jones, Vancouver [Brochure, Video] \*
- 2023 Echo's Bones, Gallery Jones, Vancouver [Brochure, Video]
- 2022 Léon Coupey: My Dearest Kate, curator Hilary Letwin, West Vancouver Art Museum [Catalogue, Video]
- 2021 Work on Paper & Rainy River, Gallery Jones, Vancouver
- 2020 Walking the Cat Back, Gallery Jones, Vancouver [Video]
- 2019 Manifest/Trace, curator Vanessa Black, Seymour Art Gallery, North Vancouver [Video]
- 2018 Rock Pool, Gallery Jones, Vancouver
- 2017 Across / Between / Within, Odon Wagner Contemporary, Toronto [Catalogue]
- 2016 RaptureRupture, Gallery Jones, Vancouver
- 2014 Measures, Odon Wagner Contemporary, Toronto [Catalogue]
- 2013 Cutting Out the Tongue: Selected Work 1976-2012, curators Astrid Heyerdahl / Darrin Morrison, Art Gallery at Evergreen / West Vancouver Museum [Catalogue]
- 2013 Field Work, Gallery Jones, Vancouver
- 2010 Between Memory and Perception, Gallery Jones, Vancouver
- 2008 Counterpoint, Gallery Jones, Vancouver [Catalogue]
- 2006 Tangle, curator Darrin Martens, Burnaby Art Gallery [Catalogue]
- 2004 BlackWhiteGrey, curator Marcus Bowcott, Capilano University Art Gallery, North Vancouver
- 2002 Notations: Recent Work, Ballard Lederer Gallery, Vancouver
- 1999 Requiem Notations I-IX, curator Patrick Montgomery, Art Gallery at Evergreen, Coquitlam [Catalogue]
- 1998 Notations 1994-1998, curator Paula Gustafson, Canadian Embassy Gallery, Tokyo [Catalogue]
- 1997 Work in Process: Drawings, Proofs, Prints, Capilano University Art Gallery, North Vancouver
- 1995 From the 90's: Notations 12-15, curator Carole Badgley, Seymour Art Gallery, North Vancouver
- 1995 From the 80's: Trellis, Wedge, Montgomery Fine Art, Vancouver
- 1995 From the 70's: Selected Journal Drawings / New Work on Paper, Atelier Gallery, Vancouver
- 1994 Notations: Painting the Lion from a Claw, Atelier Gallery, Vancouver
- 1992 Recent Work: Prints, Atelier Gallery, Vancouver
- 1991 Paintings 1970-1990, curator Barry Cogswell, Capilano University Art Gallery, North Vancouver
- 1990 Variations done for bpNichol, Atelier Gallery, Vancouver
- 1988 Pierre Coupey: Recent Works, curator Ann Rosenberg, Surrey Art Gallery
- 1987 A Book of Days I-XII, Crown Gallery, Vancouver
- 1982 Recent Paintings, Studio Nine Gallery, Toronto
- 1982 Journal Drawing Series, curator bpNichol, The Gallery, Scarborough College, University of Toronto
- 1981 New Work 1980-1981, curator Claire Knight, Presentation House Gallery, North Vancouver [Catalogue]

#### **Selected Group Exhibitions**

- 2024 Twentieth Anniversary Exhibition, Gallery Jones, Vancouver
- 2022 Group Show, curator Vanessa Black, Seymour Art Gallery, North Vancouver
- 2021 Selected Stories: West Vancouver Art Museum's Artist Editions Prints, curator Hilary Letwin, BMO Salon, Kay Meek Centre, West Vancouver [Semi-permanent installation]
- 2021 Cave Light Flickers, curator David Chaperon, Gallery Jones Offsite, Pendulum Gallery, Vancouver
- 2021 Pierre Coupey + Dion Kliner: Imaginary Portraits, curator Lam Wong, Canton-Sardine, Vancouver [Video]
- 2021 House of All Sorts, curators Patrik Andersson et al, Gordon Smith Gallery of Canadian Art, North Vancouver
- 2021 Small Scale Right Hemisphere, Gallery Jones, Vancouver
- 2020 Written on Water: Pierre Coupey, Kristin Man, Ben Lumb, BLAH, Grosvenor Ambleside, West Vancouver
- 2019 The Raiders: Ceramics, curator Kate Bellringer, Terminal Creek Contemporary, Bowen Island
- 2019 Celebrating 30 years at the FBG, curator Natalie Roizman, Ferry Building Gallery, West Vancouver
- 2019 the poets have always preceded: art & poetry from Vancouver, 1960 present, curator Lee Plested, Griffin Art Projects, North Vancouver [Catalogue \*]
- 2018 Transformations: Selected Work from the AFK Collection, curator Daylen Luschinger, Gordon Smith Gallery of Canadian Art, North Vancouver (to April 2019)
- 2018 Through the Memory Atlas: 40 Years of Collecting, curators Charo Neville et al, Kamloops Art Gallery
- 2018 A Generous Spirit: Work from the Permanent Collection, curators Darrin Morrison / Jackie Wong, West Vancouver Art Museum [Catalogue]
- 2017 The Big Picture, curator Liz Wylie, Kelowna Art Gallery [Catalogue]
- 2015 30 Years, curator Sarah Cavanaugh, Seymour Art Gallery, North Vancouver
- 2014 The And of the Land, curator Francesca Szuszkiewicz, West Vancouver Art Museum
- 2011 The Point Is, curator Liz Wylie, Kelowna Art Gallery [Catalogue]
- 2009 Coast Art Trust: Works, curator Ellen van Eijnsbergen, Art Gallery at Evergreen, Coquitlam
- 2007 Coast Art Trust: Early Works, curator James Felter, North Vancouver Museum
- 2006 New Acquisitions: City of Burnaby Permanent Art Collection, curator Darrin Martens, Burnaby Art Gallery
- 2004 Totally Manipulated: Digital Art, curator Linda Feil, Cityscape Gallery, North Vancouver
- 2003 Celebrating 20 Years of Printmaking, curator Brenda Fredrick, Burnaby Art Gallery [Catalogue]
- 2002 Art Institute Prints, curator Wayne Eastcott, Pacific Northwest College of Art, Portland
- 2001 Prints from Canada's Pacific Province, curator Doug Biden, Graphic Studio Gallery, Dublin
- 2001 Printmaking Possibilities: Photo/Digital, curator Wayne Eastcott, Capilano University Art Gallery
- 2001 Common Ground, curator Linda Feil, Cityscape Gallery, North Vancouver
- 2000 From the Collection: Dispatches & Inscriptions, curator Grant Arnold, Vancouver Art Gallery
- 2000 Reflections of Place, curator Deborah Tuyttens, West Vancouver Museum [Catalogue]
- 1996 The Chair, curators Carole Badgley / Trudy Van Dop, Seymour Art Gallery, North Vancouver
- 1993 Abstraction: Which Way from Here? curator Jeffrey Spalding, Canada Trust Tower, Calgary
- 1993 Prints from the Art Institute, curator Wayne Eastcott, Canadian Consulate, Nagoya
- 1980 Salon des Refusés 1980, curator Matthew Kangas, Soames-Dunn Building, Seattle

- 1979 Affinities: Ten Painters of this Region, curator Ted Lindberg, Vancouver Art Gallery [Catalogue]
- 1978 Three Person Show, curator Barry Cogswell, Presentation House Gallery, North Vancouver
- 1972 The Private Patron: BC Art, curator James Felter, Simon Fraser University Art Gallery, Burnaby
- 1972 Microprosophus: International Concrete Poetry Show, Evergreen State College, Evergreen, WA
- 1969 Three Person Show, Bau Xi Gallery, Vancouver
- 1968 Two Person Show, Graduate Student Center, University of British Columbia, Vancouver
- 1968 Festival of Technology & Art, Ryerson Institute of Technology, Toronto
- 1964 J.A.M.M. Collects, Stable Gallery, Montreal Museum of Fine Arts
- 1964 Quebec Painters under Thirty, Stable Gallery, Montreal Museum of Fine Arts

#### **Art Fairs**

- 2025 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Gallery Jones, Vancouver \*
- 2022 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Odon Wagner Gallery, Toronto
- 2020 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Gallery Jones, Vancouver [Video]
- 2019 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Odon Wagner Gallery, Toronto
- 2018 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Odon Wagner Gallery, Toronto
- 2018 Seattle Art Fair, Gallery Jones, Vancouver
- 2017 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Odon Wagner Gallery, Toronto [Catalogue]
- 2017 Art Palm Beach, Odon Wagner Gallery, Palm Beach, FL
- 2016 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Odon Wagner Gallery, Toronto [Catalogue]
- 2015 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Odon Wagner Gallery, Toronto [Catalogue]
- 2014 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Odon Wagner Gallery, Toronto [Catalogue]
- 2013 Art Toronto, Toronto International Art Fair, Odon Wagner Gallery, Toronto [Catalogue]

#### Commissions

- 2023 Corporate commission, Detroit
- 2023 Corporate commission, Toronto
- 2023 Private commission, Burnaby
- 2021 Print commission, Artist Editions Program, West Vancouver Art Museum [Video]
- 2019 Private commission, West Vancouver
- 2018 Private commission, Toronto
- 2016 Corporate commission, Fifteen 15, Calgary
- 2016 Private commission, Port Moody
- 2015 Corporate commission, 745 Thurlow, Vancouver
- 2000 Print commission, Centennial Print Project, North Vancouver Arts Commission
- 1986 Corporate commission, Prow Restaurant, Canada Place, Vancouver

#### **Selected Public Collections**

Art Gallery at Evergreen Cultural Centre, Coquitlam

Artists for Kids Permanent Collection, North Vancouver

Belkin Art Gallery, University of British Columbia

Burnaby Art Gallery

Canada Council Art Bank, Ottawa

Capilano University, North Vancouver

Carleton University Art Gallery, Ottawa

City of North Vancouver

Contemporary Art Gallery (City of Vancouver)

District of North Vancouver

District of West Vancouver

Gordon Smith Gallery of Canadian Art, North Vancouver

Kamloops Art Gallery

Kelowna Art Gallery

Lions Gate Hospital Art Collection

Maltwood Gallery (Coast Art Trust), Victoria

Nanaimo Art Gallery

North Vancouver Museum

Province of British Columbia, Canada

Simon Fraser University Art Gallery, Burnaby

Simon Fraser University Special Collections, Burnaby

St Paul's Hospital Foundation, Vancouver

Two Rivers Art Gallery, Prince George

University of Alberta Art Collection, Edmonton

University of Guelph Collection / Macdonald Stewart Art Centre

University of Lethbridge Art Gallery

University of Victoria Art Collections

Vancouver Art Gallery

Vancouver General Hospital Foundation

West Vancouver Art Museum

#### **Selected Corporate Collections**

Aldo Group, Montreal

Barometer Capital, Toronto

bcIMC, Calgary

bcIMC, Vancouver

Braeside Resources, Vancouver

Burns & Wilcox, Toronto

Christopher Investments, Vancouver

Citibank Canada, Toronto

College & Institute Educators Association, Vancouver

Hyatt Regency, New Orleans

Kaufman Group, Detroit

Kernaghan Adjusters, Vancouver

Koerner Graduate Student Center, UBC, Vancouver

Lower Canada College, Montreal

McCullough O'Connor Irwin, Vancouver

McGill Student Society, McGill University, Montreal

Securiguard Services, Vancouver

Segal Group, Toronto

Toronto-Dominion Bank, Toronto

Larry Young & Associates, Vancouver

#### Private Collections

Vancouver, North Vancouver, West Vancouver; Burnaby, Courtney, Delta, Hornby Island, Kelowna, New Westminster, Port Coquitlam, Port Moody, Prince George, Sechelt, Squamish, Tofino, Tsawwassen, Victoria, Whistler; Calgary, Magog QC, Montréal, Niagara-on-the-Lake ON, Ottawa, Richmond Hill, Saskatoon, Toronto; Dallas, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Palm Springs, Phoenix, Point Roberts WA, Portland, San Francisco, Seattle, Snowmass CO, Vero Beach FL; Grand Cayman Island; Berlin, Geneva, Paris, Toulouse; Beirut, Okazaki, Tokyo

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Contemporary Literature Collection
Special Collections & Rare Books
Simon Fraser University Library
Burnaby BC Canada

#### Awards / Grants / Distinctions

- 2019 Faculty Emeritus, Capilano University, North Vancouver
- 2018 RCA, Royal Canadian Academy of Arts, Ottawa
- 2017 Alumni Profile/Nos Anciens, Lower Canada College, Montreal
- 2013 Distinguished Artist Award (Visual & Literary Arts), FANS, North Vancouver
- 2013 Exhibitions Grant, Audain Foundation, Vancouver
- 2003 Aichi Gakusen Faculty Exchange, Okazaki, Japan
- 1998 Exhibitions Grant, Canadian Embassy, Tokyo, Japan
- 1998 Special Projects Grant, Capilano University Foundation
- 1998 Faculty Development Grant, Capilano University Faculty Association
- 1996-1997 Visual Arts Grant, British Columbia Arts Council
- 1996-1997 Paid Educational Leave for Poetry / Printmaking, Capilano University
- 1981 Broadside Award for Poetry, The Malahat Review
- 1980-1981 Visual Arts Grant, Canada Council
- 1980 Paid Educational Leave for Poetry / Painting, Capilano University
- 1976 Short Term Grant for Poetry, Canada Council
- 1974 LIP Grant for Painting, City of Vancouver
- 1973 Short Term Grant for Poetry, Canada Council
- 1970 Short Term Visual Arts Grant, Canada Council
- 1970 Graduate Bursary for Poetry, University of British Columbia
- 1968-1969 Arts Grant for Poetry, Canada Council
- 1966 H.R. MacMillan Award for Poetry, University of British Columbia
- 1964-1965 Arts Grant for Poetry, Le Conseil des Arts du Québec
- 1964 Chester MacNaughten Award for Poetry, McGill University
- 1964 Louis B. Shapiro Award for Poetry, McGill University

#### Education

Certificate (Printmaking), Art Institute, Capilano University, North Vancouver, 1992

Master of Arts (English / Creative Writing), University of British Columbia, Vancouver, 1971

Académie Julian (Drawing) / Atelier 17 (Printmaking), Paris, 1964-1965

Bachelor of Arts (English / Creative Writing), McGill University, Montreal, 1964

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#### **Biography**

Pierre Coupey was raised and educated in Montreal. He graduated from Lower Canada College, received his BA from McGill University, and studied drawing at the Académie Julian and printmaking at the Atelier 17 in Paris. He received his MA in English and Creative Writing from the University of British Columbia, and a Certificate in Printmaking from the Art Institute, Capilano University.

He was a founding Co-editor of *The Georgia Straight* and the founding Editor of *The Capilano Review*. His work has received awards, grants and commissions, including grants from the Conseil des Arts du Québec, the Canada Council, the British Columbia Arts Council, and the Audain Foundation for the Arts. In 2013 he received the Distinguished Artist Award from FANS. He was inducted into the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts in 2018. In 2019 he received the designation Faculty Emeritus for his service to Capilano University and his ongoing contributions to Canada's literary and artistic communities. His archives (Pierre Coupey Fonds) are held in the Contemporary Literature Collection at Simon Fraser University Library in Vancouver.

He has published several books of poetry, chapbooks and catalogues, and exhibited in solo and group shows nationally and internationally. His work is represented in numerous private collections in Canada, the United States, Japan and Europe, and in numerous corporate, university and public collections across Canada. He has received private and corporate painting commissions, notably for 745 Thurlow in Vancouver and Fifteen 15 in Calgary. Major public collections include the Belkin Art Gallery, Burnaby Art Gallery, Canada Council Art Bank, Kelowna Art Gallery, Simon Fraser University Art Gallery, University of Guelph Collection, University of Lethbridge Art Gallery, Vancouver Art Gallery and West Vancouver Art Museum.

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