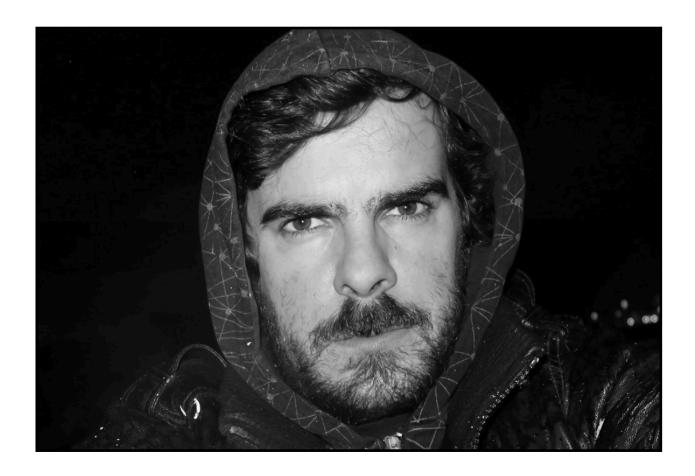
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# HAMS KLEMENS



(b. 1984, Marseille)

Currently lives and works in Marseille

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Hams Klemens is part of an art collective titled "Modern Jazz", alongisde artists Jin Angdoo, Mathieu Julien, and Kevin Pinsembert, based between Paris and Marseille. Klemens' largest body of work to date, exists in a tunnel underneath Marseille, where he creates giant abstract paintings using abandoned household paint cans, and handmade brush contraptions which stretch ten-foot-tall. Inspired by the children of the Marseille Projects, who he teaches art, his work is full of childlike marks and gestures. Klemens' rough take on abstract expressionism is reminiscent of exuberant landscapes, floral chaos or trembling water. They seem to be hallucinations of flickering landscapes in an otherwise dark, jerking techno club.

#### **EDUCATION**

2013-16 Fine Art Bachelor's Degree, Haute École des Arts du Rhin, Strasbourg.

#### **RESEDENCIES**

2019 *RUDI-MENT*, Goethe Institut, Friche la Belle de Mai, Marseille. Sunny Side Up – Modern Jazz, Fort de Sainte Marine, Bretagne.

#### **SELECTED EXHIBITIONS**

2021	Allez La France, Saatchi Yates, London.
2020	Local Heroes, Manifesta 13 Marseille, Musée Regards de Provence.
2017	FFRRRVUMVUMTACTAC!!, Galerie Module, Paris.
2016	Summer Night Dreams, Kwadrat Galerie, Berlin.
2014	Surprise Party, Straat Galerie, Marseille.
2013	Plan de Campagne, Straat Galerie, Marseille.