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WHY AND HOW DID WORKING WITH GLASS CHANGE PAULINE ROY'S LIFE?

TODAY

THE STORY : A CAREER CHANGE

Three years ago, Pauline Roy decided to change her life to follow her passion. A graduate of Penninghen, she studied art history at the École du Louvre before joining the Musée Guimet as a graphic designer. She spent 11 years there, designing the scenography for exhibitions. The term «contemporary artwork» took on a new meaning when she discovered the 56 vases by Chu Teh-Chun (a contemporary Chinese artist exhibited at the Musée Guimet in 2009, in residence at the Manufacture de Sèvres).

Art is her future, creation is her passion and glass is her material. She became a glass designer, creating decorative objects and furniture (tables, mirrors, chandeliers) in sandblasted and hand-engraved glass.

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by BDMMA - Ateliers de Paris in 2021, «Pauline Roy Gravures» was established in 2022. In the same year, her first works were presented at the Biennale Internationale Révélations 2022 at the Grand Palais Éphémère in Paris. Since then, she has participated in numerous projects and exhibitions, developing her artistic activity and promoting her business. In September 2023, she is preparing for a busy year.très intense dès septembre 2023.

PRESS RELEASE



GLASS DESIGNER, PAULINE ROY CREATES BETWEEN PARIS AND AVEYRON IN SOUTH OF FRANCE



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Drawing, sandblasting, digging with a stylus to deconstruct matter, in Rodez, the land of her roots, Pauline Roy nourishes her work with the nature that surrounds her. Pauline Roy is a graduate of the Penninghen School of Design. She studied art history for two years at the Ecole du Louvre.

She joined the Musée Guimet in 2008 as a graphic designer and, 11 years later, is responsible for the scenography of over 600 m2 of exhibitions. Working closely with works of art has allowed her to understand the importance of the transmission of ancestral know-how throughout history.

She discovered the work of the contemporary Chinese artist Chu Teh-Chun, who exhibited 56 painted vases at the Sèvres factory. These 56 unique pieces take the viewer on as many journeys. Through his work, Pauline Roy has an understanding of the true meaning of the term «contemporary work of art».

Three years ago, Pauline Roy decided to change her life to continue the tradition of glass in her own way.

Left page **Tubular Camellia Vase** 2021-2022 Glass Flowers Voici des Fleurs

Opposite Portrait of Pauline Roy Glass, an ancient material considered precious in ancient Egypt, is now part of our everyday lives. Yet it offers an infinite variety of explorations and textures.

At the beginning of the first confinement, in March 2020, she ordered a custom mouth-blown vase and spent 150 hours engraving it with a diamond point.

From there, the road was paved. Vincent Breed, who had blown her first piece, sent her to his friend Gilles Chabrier, a glass artist who trained her in the sandblasting technique, took her under his wing, and supported her throughout the project. Pauline would use the skills she had acquired with Ver'art, a glassmaker in Rodez, to whom she rented her workshop. It's in Aveyron that Pauline Roy found her niche.

In this region, nature is omnipresent, celebrated and protected by its inhabitants. They are modest, supportive and passionately attached to their land.

These dimensions are an integral part of Pauline Roy's work: when she's in her heartland, she draws, photographs, observes, absorbs and feeds on everything that surrounds her. Selected, supported and trained by BDMMA - Ateliers de Paris in 2021, «Pauline Roy Gravures» was established in 2022.

Pauline Roy regularly exhibits her work at trade fairs such as Révélations 2022 and Révélations 2023, as well as in galleries for temporary exhibitions. Her clients are mainly private individuals and interior designers who entrust her with glass decoration projects.



DRAWING, SANDBLASTING, DIGGING WITH A STYLUS TO DECONSTRUCT MATTER.

CREATION

When an idea takes shape in her mind, Pauline Roy draws numerous sketches, thinking about motifs, materials and objects. She has to imagine the piece she's working on, despite the technical skill and millimeter precision required. Volumes on glass are always a surprise.

UNIQUE PIECES AND HANDMADE

The photophores and vases are hand-blown by Vincent Breed in Lyon. The positioning of the motifs is random and the depth of the hollows varies systematically from one surface to another. The application and the care given to each piece are always unique. The legs of the tables are either cast, sculpted in collaboration with Éric Lopes de Sousa, or designed and forged to order by the Métalleries Bordelaises.

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ENGRAVING WITH DIAMOND POINT

Pauline Roy's diamond point technique has evolved over time. Digging into the material with a stylus is time consuming and meticulous. The stylus hollows, breaks or caresses the material. The shape is gently born and drawn on the glass in the light. Volumes are soft and curved, with real finesse.

SANDBLASTING

Sand is sprayed at very high pressure through a hand-held hose. Everything depends on the inclination of the material, the movement of the hand and the pressure exerted on the glass. The corundum, a very fine sand, hollows out the glass. Sandblasting takes a long time. The glass resists. It is the contrast of full and empty spaces that creates the volume of the motifs.

Left page Dish with Oliver tree pattern (detail) 2022 Verre et laiton Flowers Voici des Fleurs

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 Diamond engraved vase, 2021
Glass
Curtain Maison Thevenon
Engraved with diamond-tipped stylus point, 2020
Glass
Sandblasted piece
Glass and stencil

4. In the sandblasting cabinet

SKILLS









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GLASS, AN AGE-OLD MATERIAL CONSIDERED PRECIOUS IN ANCIENT EGYPT, IS NOW PART OF OUR EVERYDAY LIVES: SANDBLASTED, ENGRAVED, IT OFFERS AN INFINITE WORLD OF EXPLORATION AND TEXTURE.

Glass, an age-old material considered precious in ancient Egypt, is now part of our everyday lives: sandblasted, engraved, it offers an infinite world of exploration and texture.

Depending on the stage of the project, glass takes on many different textures.

It's hard but also soft, tender and rough at the same time. It can cut, break or shatter. When Pauline Roy begins work on her pieces, she enters into a kind of struggle with the material. The glass weakens under the high-pressure sand, contracts, tightens, then softens and bends. It becomes another material that is sensual to the touch.

Glass vibrates with light and takes on different hues with sandblasting. It starts out transparent and translucent.

- Float glass is luminous and varies up to the color of jade. It becomes milky, then duck-blue, and can also turn gray.

- Extra-clear glass turns immaculate white when sandblasted.

- Colored glass offers a whole range of shades, depending on color and light, until it becomes opaque.

In her research, Pauline Roy sands her samples in different ways: on one side only, on both sides, in hollow or bas-relief, by hollowing out the motif or, on the contrary, by hollowing out the background. Her research then allows her to apply her decorations to volumes and create objects or furniture.

Left page **Perfume bottle for tests** 2023 Glass

Opposite 1. Vase 2022 Glass Flowers and branchs Voici des Fleurs 2 & 3. Samples 2022 Glass

TAME THE MATERIAL







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«FLORE D'AUBRAC» WALL LIGHTS INSTALLATION



«Pauline Roy Gravures» has created a wall lights installation entitled «Flore d'Aubrac». Pauline Roy's aim is to make the

leaves of the beech and oak trees and the flowers of the dandelion dance and move through the prism of light in the glass of her sconces.

Left page Wall lamps Installation 2023 Glass, brass

Opposite **1. Aubrac landscape** Silver print Photograph by Xavier Roy

INTRODUCTION TO ON THE AUBRAC PLATEAU

Waves as far as the eye can see, Endless alpine meadows that unfurl their muted moorland without ever stopping your gaze, this volcanic plateau of rugged, stark beauty is truly the magical mountain of Aveyron: returning to Aubrac is always a first.

A few rare vertical elements: piles of basalt, granite, groves of beech, oak and birch, dark bands of fir, punctuate the landscape in counterpoint.

Here, simplicity is accompanied by silence and nature, as far as the eye can see, offers a spiritual dimension to those who witness it. To contemplate the Aubrac plateau is to contemplate eternity.

The seasons follow each other. Snow-covered in winter, Aubrac is reborn in spring, a green land of flowering meadows, dotted with streams and rainbow lakes. Despite its vastness, the plateau

INSTALLATION

is alive with an infinite variety of flora and fauna. Aubrac is home to 2,000 rare and protected plants.

WALL LAMPS

Aveyron is Pauline Roy's creative haven. Today, she celebrates the flora of the Aubrac plateau and the strength that emanates from it.

These sconces are the first three pieces of a larger project.

The three glasses are reversible: the intensity of the light varies depending on which side is exposed. Smooth glass reflects the light, while sandblasted glass absorbs it, but reveals the volume of the bas-relief motifs (hollowed out to a depth of 7 mm). The light unfolds differently depending on which side is exposed. The dimming mechanism is integrated behind the brass center, and the LEDs are used on both the exterior and interior sides. Sconces are suspended from the center.

Metal design and lighting : MYDRIAZ

Metal design and lighting by Malo du Bouëtiez of Mydriaz, a wonderful collaboration with Pauline Roy that took place in a climate of exchange and trust.





BEECH LEAVES Sandblasted glass brass n°1/8, 2023 Diameter 40 cm Weight approx. 8 kg

Walk in the shade of the trees along the GR 45, the Route of St. James, in the heart of the Aubrac plateau. Take a break, sit down against the trunk of a beech tree and contemplate the green roof of the branches. The light accen-tuates the relief of the leaves dancing in the wind.

Left page Wall lamp "Dandelions" Glass 2023

Opposite 1 & 2 Workshop : Wall lamp "The trees" and "Dandelions" 2023 Glass, brass 2. wall lamp profile with mechanism and central hanging system 2023 Glass, brass

LES PISSENLITS (DANDELIONS) Sandblasted glass and brass N°1/8, 2023 Diameter 80 cm Weight approx. 25 kg

Dandelion. The most common flower. Like the swallow, it heralds spring. Dandelions dot the pastures of Aubrac, heralding the awakening of nature. Pauline Roy tells the story of dandelions in motion: their thick, fluted stems, their edible leaves. They emerge from an earth that is still cold but damp and heavy, their many petals tousling in the wind that adorns them with multiple faces.

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LES ARBRES (THE TREES) Sandblasted glass and brass n°1/8, 2023 Diameter 60 cm Weight approx. 14 kg

Pauline Roy tells the story of the birch, fir, cedar, oak and beech trees that populate the Aubrac plateau. Often grouped together, their arrangement accentuates the sobriety of the landscape and gives it a particular geometry.

The bark of these trees is their genetic imprint, a veritable plant skin that protects the circulation of the sap. Its various textures testify to its strength and age. Touching them is enough to feel the life that animates them. They endure and grow through long, harsh winters.

In the foreground, oak leaves caught in a breeze come to life and appear lightweight. The light tells of the sun's rays caught in the leaves, streaming to the ground.

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Exhibited at









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Opposite 1. Vase 2021 Glass Flowers Voici des Fleurs

2. Signature and numbering on each piece 2022 Glass 3. Workshop vase covered with stencil 2021 Glass 4. Tubular vases 2022 Glass

COLLECTIONS: SANDBLASTED FURNITURE AND OBJECTS

VASES

To design the shape of her vases, Pauline Roy drew her inspiration from the traditional forms of Chinese blue-and-white porcelain in the Musée Guimet collections.

Sandblasting curved surfaces is a real technical challenge. The main difficulty lies in the stencils, which determine :

- the sandblasted spaces,

- the regularity of the sandblasting depth.

All Pauline Roy's vases and pho-tophores are mouth-blown by Vincent Breed.

BACKLIT MIRORS

Pauline Roy designed two mirrors combining glass, mirror and brass. These two pieces were designed especially for the Révélations 2023 show, and the structures were manufactured by Métalleries Bordelaises.

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THE MOTIFS RESPOND TO EACH OTHER, LEAVING ROOM FOR LIGHT TO PASS THROUGH, CREATING THE ILLUSION OF MOVEMENT IN THE PALM LEAVES.



Left page Nesting tables (detail) 2021/2022 Glass and brass Palm leaves Voici des Fleurs

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COLLECTIONS: SANDBLASTED FURNITURE AND OBJECTS

NESTING TABLES WITH PALM MOTIFS

Pauline Roy designs and sands her nesting tables. The motifs respond to each other, leaving room for light to pass through, creating the illusion of movement in the palm leaves. When assembled, the nesting table becomes a single transparent piece.

These nesting tables are the result of research focused on composition, material, lightness and balance. The brass tripods, bent to the dimensions of the tabletops, were designed with the help of Marco Roy and Julie Descamps. The structures were redesigned and custom-made by Métalleries Bordelaises.



PAULINE ROY ETCHINGS AND VINCENT BREED "TABLEWARE WAS ALWAYS THERE IN MY HEAD."

AN ARTISTIC COLLABORATION

Pauline Roy and Vincent Breed collaborated to create a table centerpiece. What an inspiration this tableware theme, celebrated throughout history and around the world! Vincent suggested shapes, Pauline drew, and they quickly came to an agreement based on mutual trust. The centerpiece is adorned with edible mountain flowers: pansies, edelweiss and dandelions. Thanks to the sphe-rical shape and deep engraving, they unfurl with great relief.

VINCENT BREED

Glassblower and president of the Hotshop France association, his studio is a research and develop-ment for creative and demanding glass projects.

Hotshop France welcomes and supports the artistic glass sector, building bridges between art, craft, science and industry. Ar-tists, architects and designers develop their projects with the best glass artisans.



Left page 1. Table center 2022 Glass Blown by Vincent Breed Sandblasted by Pauline Roy

Opposite 1. Dish with Oliver tree 2022 Glass Flowers Voici des Fleurs Leather flower © Maud Ruby

COLLABORATION AND ARTS OF THE TABLE



PAULINE ROY IS PARTICULARLY PLEASED OF HAVING HER WORK EXHIBITED AT AVANT-SCÈNE ART GALLERY.



Left page Dish with mountain flowers pattern (**detail**) 2024 Verre Flowers Voici des Fleurs For Avant-Scène Art Gallery, Paris Opposite Dish with mountain flowers pattern 2024

Verre Flowers Voici des Fleurs For Avant-Scène Art Gallery, Paris

ART GALLERY

THE ARTS OF THE TABLE

The arts of the table are those associated with communal meals, the presentation and serving of food, conversation and courtesy, and the decoration of furniture, utensils, and places intended for gastronomic or oenological pleasure.

An exhibition in the 1980s in a major Paris museum. Pauline Roy was 7 or 8 years old and went with her grandmother. The theme: the great tables of history. Fairy-tale settings worthy of a Jean Cocteau movie.

«We went back several times at my request. So the art of the table was always there in my mind».

AVANT-SCÈNE ART GALLERY

Pauline Roy is exhibiting two of her tableware pieces at Galerie Avant-Scène, Paris.

The works selected by Elisabeth Delacarte are acclaimed by en-lightened connoisseurs and the media, as well as by international auction houses, confirming their ratings.

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IT'S ALSO ABOUT WORKING HAND IN HAND AND IN MUTUAL TRUST TO ACHIEVE A COMMON GOAL: BEAUTY AND EXCELLENCE.

Left page Table top with Savannah Animals, detail of the Zebra, 2023 Sand-blasted glass Diameter: 160cm For the Bertrand Prestige group and Hugues Chevalier





Opposite **2. study of a lioness head** Table top with Savannah Animals, 2023 . Diameter: 160cm

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4. Stencil

KNOW-HOW AND CREATIONS





Left page 1.Interior backlit window View of an imaginary garden, Dandolion Vase 2023 Evening view Width: 76cm Height: 125cm Glass and brass Branch Voici des Fleurs

Opposite 1. Interior window at the worksop

2. Drawing the stencil

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3.Interior window View of an imaginary garden, Dandolion Vase 2023 Day view Flowers & branch Voici des Fleurs

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KNOW-HOW AND CREATIONS

AN INTERIOR BACKLIT WINDOW : VIEW OF AN IMAGINARY GARDEN REALISED FOR A PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL IN 2023





PAULINE ROY PAYS HOMAGE TO HER AUSTERE, HARSH AND CONTRASTING REGION THROUGH HER WORK AND CHOOSES TO ANCHOR HER CREATIONS THERE.



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Aveyron is a harsh, rugged, hilly land of contrasts. Pauline Roy has chosen to anchor her creations here, drawing inspiration from the land she calls home. The summers are grassy and warm, the autumns colorful and mild, the winters long and cold, the spring a rebirth. The hills are round, the plateaus vast and uninhabited.

Left page Dandelions Vase 2023 Glass Exhibited at Le Suquet, Gastronomic Restaurant

Opposite 1. Aubrac landscape Silver print 2. Aveyron Map 3. Workshop Team 2023 Roman Art flourishes here, with Conques and its lively, colorful tympanum, Saint-Pierre de Bessuéjouls with its oratory hidden in its bell tower, and the chapel of Roquelaure, whose altarpiece is populated by figures with heartbreakingly sincere expressions. Pierre Soulages remains the pride of the department. He was charis-

matic, reserved and serious. His work is imbued with the region: rigorous and frank, there is no pretense.

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AVEYRON, LAND OF INSPIRATION





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