

**A new edition turned towards the international artistic scene  
for the Louis Roederer Discovery Award at the Rencontres d'Arles**



Since 2018, the Louis Roederer Foundation has been supporting young talents through the Discovery Award at the Rencontres d'Arles that involves galleries, art centers, associative spaces and institutions who can submit a project by an artist whose work deserves to be discovered.

This year, the selection committee, including **Christoph Wiesner** - director of the Rencontres d'Arles - and **Taous R. Dahmani** - guest curator of the 2022 edition of the Louis Roederer Discovery Award -, has selected **10 international projects** that will be exhibited in Arles from July 4th to September 25th 2022.

The artists shortlisted are:

- **Roy Debmalya CHOUDHURI** (India) presented by **Space Studio** (Vadodara, India)
- **Rahim FORTUNE** (United States) presented by **Sasha Wolf Projects** (New York, United States)
- **Olga GROTOVA** (Russia) presented by **Pushkin House** (London, Great Britain)
- **Daniel JACK LYONS** (United States) presented by **Ensemble** (Marseille, France)
- **Seif KOUSMATE** (Morocco) presented by **the Musée Abderrahman Slaoui** (Casablanca, Morocco)
- **Celeste LEEUWENBURG** (Argentina/France) presented by **Julio Artist-run space** (Paris, France)
- **Rodrigo Masina PINHEIRO & Gal MARINELLI CIPRESTE** (Brazil) presented by **Ateliê Oriente** (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)
- **Akeem SMITH** (United States/Jamaica) presented by **HEIDI** (Berlin, Germany)
- **Mika SPERLING** (Russia) presented by **Ahoi** (Luzern, Switzerland)
- **Maya Inès TOUAM** (France/Algeria) presented by **Fondation H** (Paris, France, and Antananarivo, Madagascar) with **the Fondation Blachère** (Apt, France)

During the opening week of the Rencontres d'Arles, the jury will bestow the Louis Roederer Discovery Award which honors an artist and the project's supporting structure with an acquisition worth €15,000 and the public will give the Public Award, which consists of an acquisition worth €5,000.



### **About the curator of the 2022 Louis Roederer Discovery Award - Taous R. Dahmani**

Taous Dahmani is a historian of photography, researcher and writer based between London and Marseille. Her work focuses on the politics of images. She is also editor and content advisor for *The Eyes* magazine and a trustee of the Photo Oxford Festival.

### **About the Louis Roederer Foundation**

The Louis Roederer Foundation was founded in 2011 with the purpose of perpetuating Louis Roederer's sponsorship activity which followed on from its discovery of the photography collection of the Bibliothèque nationale de France (BnF) in 2003.

Since being awarded the title of "Major Patron of Culture and Arts", the Foundation has continued to demonstrate its commitment to art through its proactive partnership with the Grand Palais, as well as its support of photography and cinema through the BnF Photographic Research Grant, the Discovery Award at the Rencontres d'Arles, the Louis Roederer Foundation Rising Star Award at La Semaine de la Critique in Cannes and the Louis Roederer Foundation Revelation Prize at the Deauville American Film Festival. Since 2021, the Foundation has become a patron of the French Academy in Rome - Villa Medici and the Jeu de Paume.

In all the creative and artistic endeavours that it sponsors in these iconic places of culture and intelligence, the Louis Roederer Foundation plays its favourite role in supporting and nurturing the great artists of tomorrow.

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### **About Louis Roederer**

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