

## BIOGRAPHY

Celebrated Austin-based artist Ysabel LeMay has gained international recognition for her hyper-collage panoramas. She uses a process that combines photographs to create the real world remixed to paradisaical perfection, so vividly realized that one feels drawn to step into her immersive tableaux.

Since winning the New York KiptonART Rising Stars Program, LeMay's work has seen more than 135 exhibitions around the globe and has been acquired for the corporate collections of Chevron, Bloomingdale's, and Bacardi, and the permanent collections at the Museum of Photographic Arts and the Morris Museum. LeMay participated in the Texas Biennial, and she represented Texas at the fourth edition of Women to Watch in Washington, D.C.

In 2017, LeMay held a solo retrospective show at the Morris Museum in Morristown, New Jersey. In addition, she was commissioned by the U.S. Department of State's Art in Embassies Program for the American Institute in Taiwan. She was a visiting instructor at the Santa Fe Photographic Workshop in New Mexico. Her work has been featured in several magazines.

Born in Quebec, Canada, LeMay discovered her fascination for the natural world at her family's cottage in the northern wilderness of the province. But it was the jungle of the advertising world where LeMay honed her visual expression. After 15 years in the industry, she sought a more rewarding path for her creativity, refocusing initially on painting and then photography.

From there, LeMay developed her distinctive technique, called hyper-collage. Her practice, refined over more than a decade, sees her traveling the globe on photographic expeditions, accumulating vast reserves of natural imagery. These she studiously reviews, extracting elements according to her intuition and assembling them into baroque tableaux venerating the undeniable majesty and generosity of nature.

Inspired by her world travels and work with shamans, her latest series launched in 2022. While her technique is high-tech, LeMay's hyper collage process is instinctual and organic, allowing each piece to dictate its destiny. From a single, simple starting point — an image, a color, an emotion — she follows a meticulous process. After first isolating and extracting elements of her photos, LeMay then weaves them together into intricate compositions of resplendent beauty.

LeMay's recent pictorial exploration has adopted a more abstract vernacular. Influenced by the knowledge received from connecting with spirit and expressing her reconnection with the earth, LeMay has brought her hyper-collages to a place where they now serve as records of natural splendor perpetually in motion.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

[Linktr.ee/ysabellemay](https://linktr.ee/ysabellemay)





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**EDUCATION**

1998 - 2000 Art and Painting Program, Emily Carr University of Art and Design, Vancouver, Canada  
1983 - 1987 Graphic Design and Communications, Collège Sainte-Foy, Québec City, Québec

**EXPERIENCE**

1986 - 2002 Graphic Designer & Art Director, Québec, Montréal, Vancouver, Canada  
1990 - 2002 President, Creative Director, LeMay Studio, Vancouver, Canada  
2002 - 2022 Visual Artist, United States

**AWARDS**

2017 THE GATEWAY, 2017 commission for the American Institute in Taiwan  
U.S. Department of State's Art in Embassies Program  
2015 Represented Texas at the Women to Watch 2015 Exhibit  
at the National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, DC  
2011 Winner KiptonART 2011 Rising Star Program, New York  
2010 Selected for 2010 Open Portfolio, Chelsea Art Museum, New York  
2003 Grant Recipient, Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec, Québec, Canada

**TEACHING**

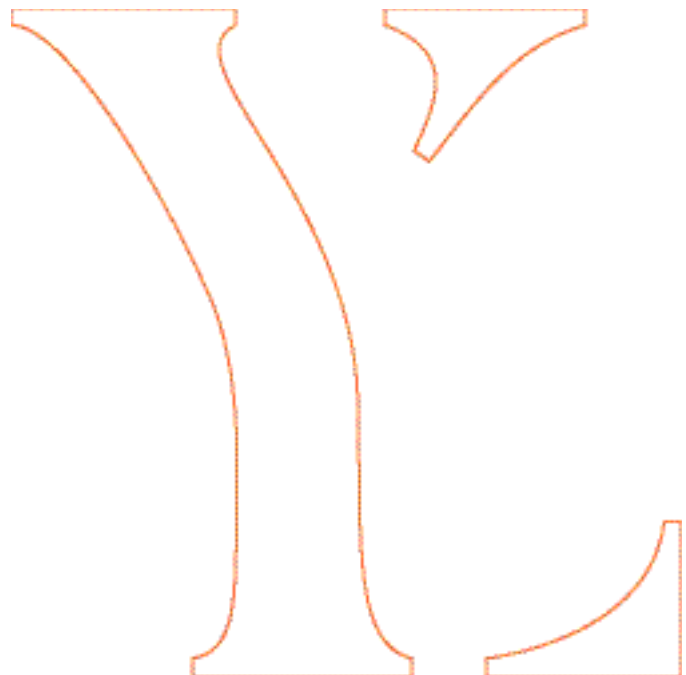
2018 Instructor, Santa Fe Photographic Workshop, Santa Fe, New Mexico

**MUSEUM COLLECTIONS**

2015 AZUL, 2011, Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, California  
2017 ARCHEUS, 2015, Morris Museum, Morristown, New Jersey  
2018 US State Department, Art in Embassy

**CORPORATE AND PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

GOOP.com, Gwyneth Paltrow  
Texas State University  
Chevron Corporation, Calgary, Canada  
Bacardi Corporation, Miami, Florida  
Johnsonville Corporation, Wisconsin  
Bloomingdale's Corporate, New York, New York  
Devmont Corporation, Montréal, Canada  
The Epic Hotel, Miami, Florida  
Wasmer, Shroader Financial, Naples, Florida





**2023**

Studies, artist residency, Texere, Oaxaca Mexico

**2022**

Women Group Show, Christopher Martin Gallery, Houston, TX  
Wider West, Korea, Austin exhibition exchange, Seoul  
Summer Group Exhibition, "Dream Job", Ivester Contemporary, Austin, TX  
East Austin Studio Tour, Ivester Contemporary, Austin, TX  
Art on Paper, Michele Mariaud, New York

**2020-2021**

Sabbatical for research and education

**2019**

The Other Art Fair, Dallas, Texas, Saatchi Art Gallery  
Solo show, Austin Texas | Davis Gallery  
Wider West in Seoul, South Korea | Big Medium Gallery  
Korea International Exchange, Korea & Austin Texas | Big Medium Gallery  
Photo London 2019, London | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Group Show, SXSW, Austin, United States | House of L

**2018**

Art Miami, Miami, Florida | Galerie de Bellefeuille  
Solo Show, Montréal, Canada | Galerie de Bellefeuille  
Photo London 2018, London | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
AIPAD 2018 The Photography Show, New York, New York | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary, West Palm Beach, Florida | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Art Palm Beach 2018, West Palm Beach, Florida | The Directed Art Modern

**2017**

Solo Show, Morristown, New Jersey | Morris Museum  
International Art Show, Austin, Texas | POP Austin  
Art Miami, Miami, Florida | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Scope Miami Beach, Miami Beach, Florida | The Directed Art Modern  
Art Toronto, Toronto | Galerie de Bellefeuille  
AIPAD 2017 The Photography Show, New York, New York | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
POP Austin's 2017 SXSW Art Hang, Austin, Texas  
Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary, West Palm Beach, Florida | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Art Palm Beach, West Palm Beach, Florida | Galerie de Bellefeuille

**2016**

Museum of Photographic Arts (MOPA) "Beauty and the Beast: The Animal in Photography," San Diego,  
California Art Miami, Miami, Florida | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Expo Chicago 2016, Chicago, Illinois | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Texas Contemporary, Houston, Texas | Michele Mariaud Gallery  
Art Toronto, Toronto | Galerie de Bellefeuille  
Art Southampton, Southampton, New York | Saatchi Art  
Market Art + Design, Bridgehampton, New York | Michele Mariaud Gallery  
Photo London 2016, London, United Kingdom | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Art New York, New York | Galerie de Bellefeuille  
AIPAD 2016, New York, New York | Catherine Edelman Gallery and Verve Gallery of Photography Print  
Auction, Houston, Texas | Houston Center for Photography  
Art Palm Beach, Palm Beach, Florida | Thomas Riley Studio





**2015**

Solo Show, Boston, Massachusetts | Lanoue Gallery  
Solo Show, Stockholm, Sweden | Couture Galleri  
Expo Chicago, Chicago, Illinois | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Art Market Hamptons, Bridgehampton, New York | Michele Mariaud Gallery  
AAF Hampstead, London, United Kingdom | Four Square Fine Arts  
Art Miami New York, New York, New York | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Paris Photo, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Art Market San Francisco, San Francisco, California | Michele Mariaud Gallery  
AIPAD Photography Show, New York, New York | Catherine Edelman Gallery and Verve Gallery of Photography  
Photography Art Breda, Bred, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
London Art Fair, London, United Kingdom | Four Square Fine Arts  
Group Show, Lima, Peru | Galeria Impakto  
Group Show, Naples, Florida | Thomas Riley Studio  
Group Show, Austin, Texas | Saatchi Art  
Group Show, Dallas, Texas | Smink Dallas

**2014**

Art Miami, Miami, Florida | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
AIPAD Photography Show, New York, New York | Catherine Edelman Gallery and Verve Gallery of Photography  
AAF Hampstead, London, United Kingdom | Four Square Fine Arts  
AAF Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China | Michele Mariaud Gallery  
Art Palm Beach, Palm Beach, Florida | Michele Mariaud Gallery  
Art Silicon Valley, San Mateo, California | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Art Southampton, Southampton, New York | Jackson Fine Art  
KunstRAI, Amsterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Paris Photo, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California | Catherine Edelman Gallery  
Realisme Art Fair, Amsterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Solo Show, Santa Fe, New Mexico | Verve Gallery of Photography  
Solo Show, Naples, Florida | Thomas Riley Studio

**2013**

Architectural Digest Home Design Show, New York, New York  
AAF Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China | Living with Art Gallery  
AAF New York, New York | Living with Art Gallery  
Amsterdam Art Fair, Amsterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Art Fair Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Art Rotterdam Week 2013, Rotterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Art The Hague, Amsterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Art Warehouse, Rotterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
FotoFever Photography Art Fair, Paris, France | Michele Mariaud Gallery  
Group Show, Santa Fe, New Mexico | Verve Gallery of Photography  
Masters of LXRY Fair, Amsterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Realisme, Amsterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Solo Exhibition, Stockholm, Sweden | Couture Galleri  
Texas Biennial, San Antonio, Texas | Blue Star Contemporary Art Museum  
Toronto Art Fair, Toronto, Canada | Galerie de Bellefeuille





**2012**

Art Basel, Miami Beach, Florida | Avant Gallery  
Art Warehouse, Rotterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Artantique Art Fair, Utrecht, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
FotoFever Photography Art Fair, Brussels | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Realisme Art Fair, Amsterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Secret Paradise, Group Show, Munich, Germany | Lumas Gallery  
The Amsterdam Photo Art Fair, Amsterdam, Netherlands | Artitled Contemporary Art  
Toronto Art Fair, Toronto, Canada | Galerie de Bellefeuille

**2011**

Group Show, New York, New York | Stricoff Gallery  
Group Show, New York, New York | Cirkers Fine Art Storage Armory  
Group Show, Hublot, New York  
NeoCon, Chicago, Illinois | Holly Hunt  
Secret Garden, New York, New York | Denise Bibro Fine Art  
The Artist Project, New York, New York

**2010**

KiptonART 2011 Rising Stars, New York, New York | KiptonART  
Open Portfolio, New York, New York | Chelsea Museum  
Pool Art Fair, Miami, Florida

**2009**

Group Show, Naples, Florida | Longstreth Golberg  
Group Show, Naples, Florida | PLG Art Gallery  
Group Show, Naples Florida | The VonLiebig Art Center Third on Canvas  
Group Show, Naples, Florida | Room Interior  
Group Show, Calgary, Canada | Wallace Gallery  
Solo Show, Naples, Florida | Jamali

**2008-2007-2006-2005**

Friends of Art Studio Tour, Naples, Florida | Naples Museum of Art  
Group Show, Alba, Italy | Camandona Art Galler  
Group Show, Naples, Florida | Judith Liegeois Designs & Gallery Group Show, Alba, Italy | Camandona Art Gallery  
Land Sand & Time, Naples, Florida | Trudy Labell Fine Art  
Solo Show, Naples, Florida | Trudy Labell Fine Art  
Group Show, Montréal, Canada | Montréal Museum of Fine Arts Gallery  
Group Show, Naples, Florida | Trudy Labell Fine Art  
Montréal Museum of Fine Arts, Montréal, Canada  
Solo Show, Naples, Florida | Trudy Labell Fine Art  
Group Show, Montréal, Canada | Montréal Museum of Fine Arts Gallery  
Land Sand & Time, Naples, Florida | Trudy Labell Fine Art  
Montréal Museum of Fine Arts, Montréal, Canada  
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