# PRESS RELEASE

# La Boverie devotes a retrospective to the Belgian artist Cécile Miguel (1921-2001) Cécile Miguel. Au creux des apparences From 24 May to 18 August 2024

One of La Boverie's missions is to help people discover or rediscover Belgian artists. For this spring-summer 2024, it is the work of Cécile Miguel, an artist and writer from Gilly, that is being honoured.

Through around a hundred works of various kinds (paintings, collages, drawings and personal documents), the exhibition reveals, in chronological order, the powerful and singular work of this artist, who has never made any concessions to the art market, and whose last retrospective was over forty years ago.

Cécile Miguel was awarded the Prix Paul-Roux de la Jeune Peinture Française in 1950 after her first group exhibition alongside Picasso and Miró, among others, at the Galerie Nationale in Lucerne. So she was a painter, but today we would prefer the term "visual artist", given the diversity of her formal research: drawings of landscapes and still lifes, brightly coloured gouaches when she lived in Provence, tachism, inlays of objects on wood, oils, collages, figures with huge eyes... You can sense the influence of surrealism, abstract art and art brut in her highly personal work.

With her husband André Miguel (author, poet and critic), she also writes poetry and plays. From 1989 onwards, she published "dream diaries", typographed poems and prose with surrealist overtones.

His art is constructed "through the colours and materials of juxtaposed prints, a teeming life where derision and humour mingle... an ensemble with its own plastic evidence, its own rigour".

Curated by Yves Namur and Béatrice Libert

# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

#### Venue

La Boverie Parc de la Boverie 3 - 4020 Liège www.laboverie.com info@laboverie.com

#### **Timetable**

From 24 May to 18 August 2024 Tuesday to Sunday, 10 am to 6 pm Closed on Mondays

#### Admission

## Combined ticket Cécile Miguel + abstract : + permanent collection:

• adults: €12

• seniors/groups: €10

• young people (under 26): €0

schoolchildren: €0article 27: €1.25

museumPASSmusée : €0ICOM, press, teachers: €0

### Media and activities

- The exhibition will be accompanied by a "LiègeMusées-Exposition" publication.
- A "visitor's guide" will be published to accompany the visit, as well as a games booklet.
- A number of activities are planned: guided tours by the curators, creative workshops for children, poetry writing workshops, etc.

## Organised by

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Another exhibition devoted to Cécile Miguel's small-format works, *Cécile Miguel, du côté de l'ombre méditante,* will open its doors from 2 June to 13 September at the Musée du Petit Format d'Art Contemporain in Nismes. Further information at <a href="https://www.museedupetitformat.be">https://www.museedupetitformat.be</a>

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