

CHARLES LEBLANC
OIL ON CANVAS

An abstract oil painting on canvas. The composition is dominated by thick, expressive brushstrokes in a variety of colors. On the left, there are layers of pink, magenta, and white. In the center and right, there are bold strokes of deep red, purple, and green. A large, bright yellow area occupies the upper right and bottom right portions of the painting. The overall effect is one of dynamic energy and vibrant color contrast.

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Born in Valleyfield, Québec, with paintbrush in hand, - or almost: his father was a lettering artist – Charles Leblanc began painting at the age of 16.

After graduating in graphic design, he started his career in the ad business as a layout man and illustrator. Leblanc soon made a name for himself and set up his own graphic arts studio. Thirty years later, his expertise as an art director, which has often been rewarded by his peers, prompts him to unleash at last his lifelong passion for painting.



First painting made at the age of 16 (1971)

A self-taught painter, Leblanc puts on the canvas his love for life and all his favorite things that roam through his mind. Led by his emotions, the artist uses a joyful color palette from which, as he pleases, a figurative style can move to the abstract with equal bliss. Leblanc's generous and powerful strokes have become an unmistakable signature in the world of art.

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Le feu sacré de peindre (2010)

In 2010, after a lunch with his childhood friend Jacques Rousse, their talk motivates Leblanc to realize his dream, painting professionally. From that moment on, the rage for painting allowed him to abandon his computers for the brushes, oil paint and canvas.

This trigger of a passion, suppressed for too long, reveals to us an artist in full possession of his talents. The energy of the brushstroke, the bright colors and the graphic mastery of Charles Leblanc combine brilliantly throughout the themes he addresses in his works.



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All my paintings
tell two stories,
mine and yours.

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From urban scene to lavender fields,
from irises to Japanese koi, from the cult of objects to
celebrities portraits, from festive to contemplative,
from figurative to abstraction, from fast pace life to
zen moments, from humans to machines,
Leblanc's series, question us about
the past, present or future.

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Working
Title:

***Life is
beautiful***



Binary
Translation:

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Reversing the language

Binary language executed in analog...

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Artificial intelligence will be the next revolution, just like the social upheaval that smartphones and new technologies are bringing us today. Two years ago, Leblanc was approached to help develop an app that could imitate his style and technique of painting. Curious by nature, the artist agreed to participate by sending some photos of paintings. After a few months of learning, the software generated some examples quite impressive. "The general appearance was not perfect, but 75% of one of my executions" said Leblanc. For unknown reasons, the project was subsequently abandoned.

Impressed by the sketchy results, Leblanc reflected on the intriguing AI as an artist.



An audiophile in his spare time, his journey has led him to compare the world of music which uses "Digital to Analog Converter" DACs in order to reproduce the sequences of 0 and 1 to an analogous sound quality.

Reversing the language.

The digital medium is rendered in sequences of 0s and 1s to reproduce analog language. So by taking a binary translator (0-1), Leblanc writes a subject, a style or an emotion and the computer generates a series of (0-1) which is the binary language of artificial intelligence rendering.

Leblanc's Digital/Analogue series is a result of the conversion of a digital work title into an analog work. On canvas, the visual graphically gives an increasingly fragmented assemblage of 0-1 with each painting that Leblanc executes.

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Life is beautiful (36 x 60 in.)

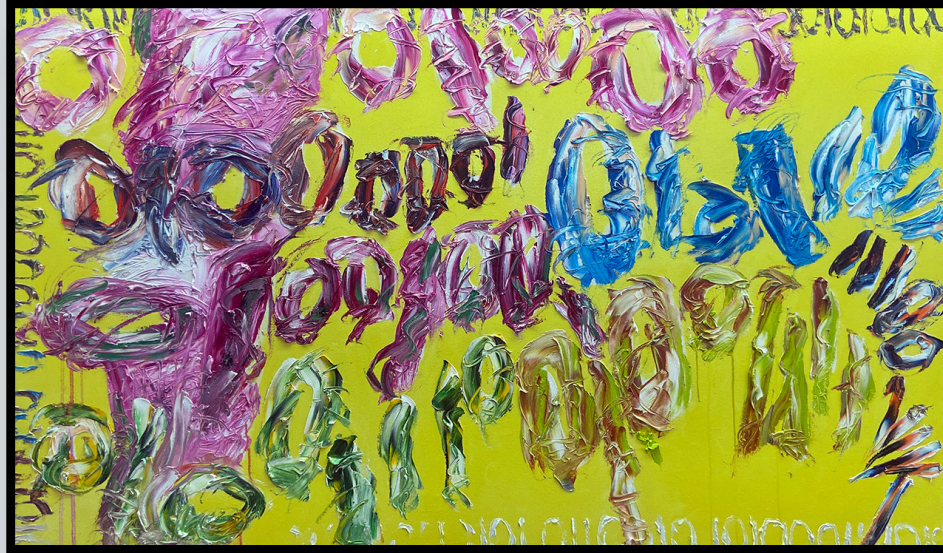
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Passion (60 x 36 in.)

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Working title:
Analog Abstraction (36 x 60 in.)



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Analog Abstraction
(Charcoal on yellow 36 x 60 in.)

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Analog Abstraction
(Cyan on lime green 36 x 60 in.)

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Analog Abstraction
(Red on yellow 36 x 60 in.)

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Working title: LOVE LOVE LOVE (60 x 36 in.)



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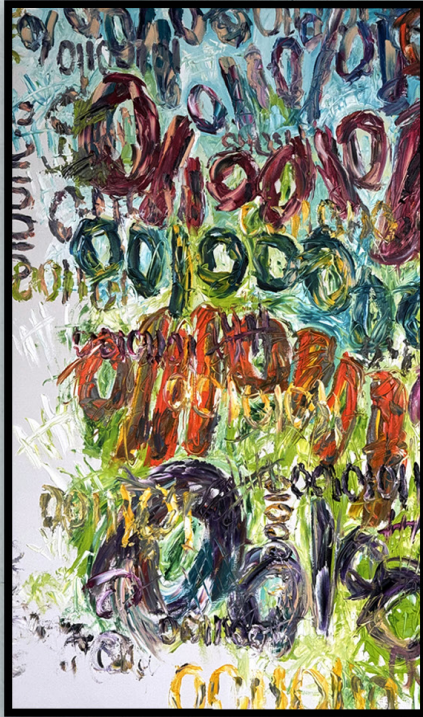


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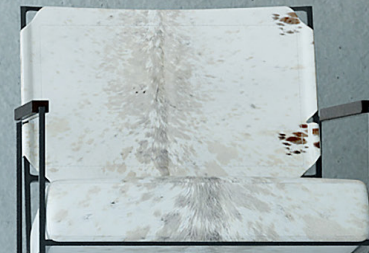
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Working title: Le temps d'une vie (Triptyque 3 x 36 x 60 in.)



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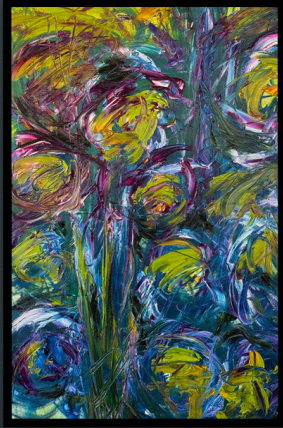


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Titre de travail : Paysage (Triptyque 3 x 24 x 36 po.)



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Titre de travail : Paysage (60 x 36 po.)



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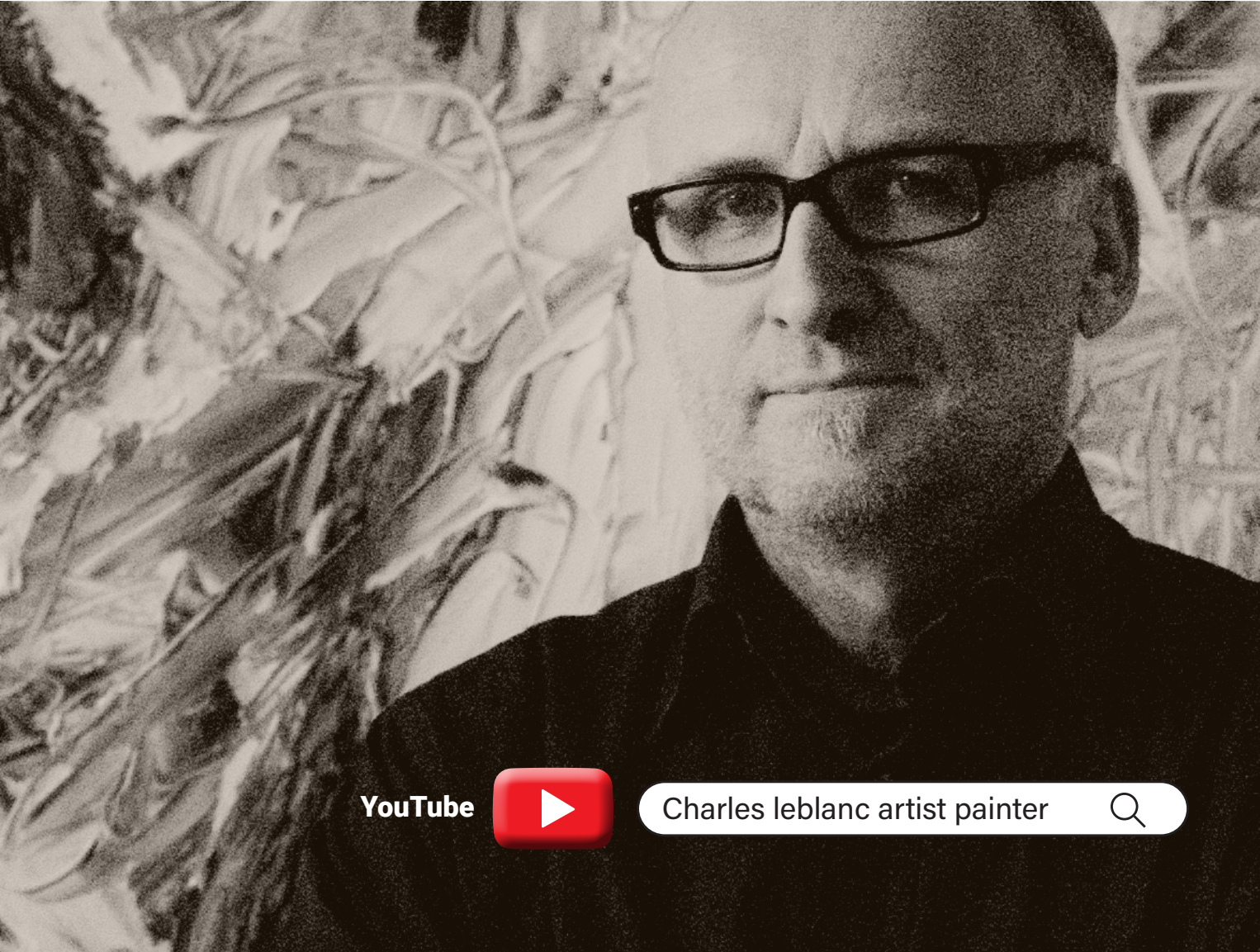


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YouTube



Charles leblanc artist painter



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2011

Solo Exhibition,
Archives nationales du Québec
(Montréal)

2012

Solo Exhibition,
Galerie Nowhere
(Montréal)

2012

Solo Exhibition,
Swatow Art Centre
(Montréal)

2013

Solo Exhibition,
ArtExpo
(New York)

2014

Solo Exhibition,
Spectrum
(Miami)

2018

Solo Exhibition,
Galerie 5432
(Mile-End, Montréal)

2019

Solo Exhibition,
Galerie 5432
(Mile-End, Montréal)

2021-2022

Group Exhibition,
Festival des arts de Valleyfield
(Salaberry-de-Valleyfield)

2023

Group Exhibition,
Musée régional de Vaudreuil-Soulanges
(Vaudreuil-Dorion)

2024

Solo Exhibition,
Édifrice Laurier-Léger,
(Les Coteaux, Qc)

2025

Solo Exhibition,
Hôtel ALT Montréal

2025

Solo Exhibition,
Hôtel ALT Québec