



## HELIDON XHIXHA

Born in Durrës, Albania in 1970 but lives and works between Milan and Dubai.



*“The puzzle of deterministic chaos is just one example from twentieth-century science that shows how the limitations of human understanding make nature appear noisy, complicated and unpredictable ...Behind the veil of apparent randomness, many processes in nature are highly ordered, following simple rules.”*

Helidon Xhixha

Helidon Xhixha spent his childhood in the studio of his father from whom he inherited a strong passion for fine arts, particularly sculpture. In 1998 he won a scholarship at the Kingston University of London and in February 1999 he graduated from the Academy of Fine Arts of Brera in Milan, Italy.

Xhixha is a sculptor who creates three-dimensional and often large-scale works that refract and reflect the environments in which they are placed, most famously through carefully engineered works of polished steel. Although he has extensively worked with glass, steel has remained his primary Muse and material for over 15 years.

His art has a very contemporary identity due to the diversity of his creative processes resulting from his artistic exigencies; an emphasis is placed upon the aesthetic tension derived from the relationship between the physical expressiveness of the materials used and the effects of light.

*“Iceberg”*, a powerful mass of steel emerging from the water, is Xhixha’s most famous work that addresses the issue of climate change; it was the first installation ever to obtain permission to float on the Grand Canal, during the Venice Biennale in 2015. The work also draws the attention of international media as The New York Times, The Guardian and the CNN. To mark the opening of the London Design Biennale in 2016, Xhixha was commissioned to design the layout of the central courtyard in Somerset House and he won the Public Medal Award for the best installation with *“Bliss”*, a series of concentric yet dramatically split blocks designed as a visual metaphor for the migration of peoples, inspired by Plato’s Ideal City.

The summer of 2017 Helidon Xhixha, invited in person by the Director of the Uffizi Galleries, Eike Schmidt, unveils a major new exhibition set within the stunning scenery of the Boboli Gardens in Florence. For this exhibition the artist has sought to explore the deeply complex themes of Chaos

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and Order, by taking inspiration from nature and sacred geometry. The exhibition can be understood as being split into two separate sections, where a clearly discernable difference between the worlds of chaos and order are apparent. In the Limonaia of the Boboli Garden's the artist has looked to nature in order to discover Chaos. By taking inspiration from the crystal caves of Naica, Mexico, Xhixha has designed a complex response to the seemingly random selenite formations.

For the artist's response to Order, monumental structures have been placed in prominent outdoor locations around the Boboli Gardens, inspired by sacred geometric principles, whose roots are again found in nature. Perhaps most striking of all are the large-scale sculptures placed in front of the Palazzo Pitti; Conoscenza and Infinito. Situated at either side of the palace entrance, these works display intricate levels of geometric regularity that instantly capture the viewer's attention.

In 2019, two major open-air exhibitions, *Riflessi di Luce*, curated by Eike Schmidt, presenting twenty monumental sculptures throughout the city of Lugano, and *Steel and Stone*, held in the city of Forte dei Marmi, featuring a series of monumental sculptures by Helidon Xhixha made in stainless steel and marble.

In July 2019 Helidon Xhixha presents an environmental project called "*The Twin Bottles: Message in a Bottle*" in collaboration with photographer Giacomo Braglia. The monumental installation features two stainless steel bottles floating on the Venice Grand Canal in front of the Vendramin Calergi Palace creating awareness on plastic pollution in the oceans. The site-specific environmental installation is designed to remain in water and to tour the world due to its ability to adapt continuously to the environment in which it is hosted, generating a new work of art on each occasion while renewing its symbolic meaning.

On invitation by the National Institute of Contemporary Art, Helidon Xhixha installs nine monumental sculptures in the historic city center of Casale Monferrato in a solo Open-Air exhibition entitled "*Casale Risplende*". The exhibition held from October 2020 to February 2021 is curated by Anselmo Villata.

In December 2020, "*Luce, La rinascita di Venezia*" curated by Klodian Dedja, witnesses six monumental installations placed at the Arsenale of Venice in occasion of an exhibition evoking rebirth and reawakening after the global pandemic.

Xhixha embraces the role of the monument not only as a solid, physical object but also as a reflection and abstraction of our external environment. His artistic trajectory has redefined the boundaries of contemporary sculpting and will continue to reshape our vision in the coming years. Xhixha's sculptures are part of important Museums and collections, Art Fairs and public buildings across the Globe. The artist has also contributed to the National 9/11 Memorial in New York and he was recently commissioned to design works for luxury residences.

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### EDUCATION

#### 1998

He won a scholarship to attend a specialization course at Kingston University in London, UK

#### 1999

He graduated from the Brera Academy of Fine Arts in Milan

### SELECTED PERSONAL EXHIBITIONS

#### 2021

*Trails of Light*, Porto Cervo, Costa Smeralda, Sardinia, Italy

*IMPRINT*, Firetti Contemporary Gallery, Dubai, UAE

*Unione di Luce*, Italian Embassy in Tirana, Albania

*Reflexes: Sculture di Luce, 50 Anni di Forme nel Verde*, San Quirico d'Orcia, Siena, Italy

#### 2020

*Spaces of Light*, Imago Art Gallery, Lugano, Switzerland

*Ghiacciai d'Acciaio*, Gstaad, Switzerland

*Casale Risplende*, Casale Monferrato, Italy

*Luce: La Rinascita di Venezia*, Arsenale di Venezia, Venice

#### 2019

*Steel and Stone: The Energy of Matter*, Forte dei Marmi, Italy

*Lugano: Riflessi di Luce*, Città di Lugano, Switzerland

#### 2017

*Helidon Xhixha: In Ordine Sparso*, curated by Diego Giolitti and Dr. Eike Schmidt, Boboli Gardens, Florence

*Volare Arte 2017*, Monumental Exhibition, Pisa Airport, Florence Airport, Italy

#### 2016

*Shining Rock*, curated by Luca Beatrice, Pietrasanta, Forte dei Marmi, Lido di Camaiore, Italy

*Refractive Vibes*, ContiniArtUK, London, UK

*Captured Radiance*, Rosenbaum Contemporary, Boca Raton, Florida, USA

*Action And Thought*, Royal Palace, Turin, Italy

*Luce in Giardino*, Hotel Cristallo, Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy

#### 2015

*Helidon Xhixha*, Rosenbaum Contemporary, Boca Raton, Florida, USA

*Fashion and Art*, La Tenda Experience, Expo Milano 2015, Via Solferino, Milano, Italy

*Nutrirsi d'Arte*, Banca Mediolanum, Padua, Italy

*Art and Jewellery*, Villa Passalacqua, Como, Italy

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Expo Arte Italiana, Villa Bagatti Valsecchi, Varedo, Italy

## 2014

*Mostra di Sculpture*, Palazzo Mantegazza, Lugano, Switzerland

*Helidon Xhixha at Art Wynwood*, Lausberg Contemporary, Miami, Florida, USA

*Sculpting Light*, Galerie Lausberg, Düsseldorf, Germany

*A Light in the Space*, Houses of Art Gallery, Marbella, Spain

*A Light in the Space*, Art Southampton, Lausberg Contemporary, Southampton, New York, USA

## 2013

Echo Brickell, Miami, USA

ARTISSIMA, *Gallery on the Move*, Turin, Italy

International Art Fair Vienna, *Gallery on the Move*, Vienna, Austria

*Les Arts dans l'habitation*, Continental Art Gallery, Port de Plaisance, Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, France

Contemporary Art at Its Best, Houses of Art Marbella, Marbella, Spain

*Art and Design*, ESPACE Pierre Cardin, Paris, France

*The Moulding Power of Light*, La Galerie Nationale, Design Days Dubai; Dubai, United Arab Emirates

*Energia dell'Acciaio attraverso l'Arte*, National Museum of Science and Technology Leonardo da Vinci, Milan, Italy

*Light in Miami*, Nina Torres Fine Art Gallery, Miami, Florida, USA

*20 Anni di Electronic Art Café*, performance curated by Achille Bonito Oliva, Bologna, Italy

## 2012

*Sculpting Declinations*, Fienil Arte Cultural Association, Pietrasanta, Italy

MiART, solo booth installation, Spirale Milano, Milan, Italy

*Sound of Steel*, Museo del Violino, Stradivari Foundation, Cremona, Italy

*Riflessi di Storia*, Presidential Palace of Tirana, Albania

*Riflessi dal Cielo*, Palazzo della Regione Lombardia, Milan, Italy

*Gateway of Light*, AD Magazine, Milan, Italy

## 2011

ART Verona, solo booth installation, Spirale Milano, Verona, Italy

*Lampi di Luce in Città*, Marco Monti Art Gallery, Monza, Italy

*Lampi di Luce in Città—Una città Museo*, Municipality of Monza, Spirale Milano, Monza, Italy

*Thunder Lights in the City*, Monza, Italy

Summer Show, Houses of Art, Marbella Club Hotel, Marbella, Spain

Villa Durazzo, Santa Margherita Ligure, Genova, Italy

*The Moulding Power of Light*, Ex Convent of S. Lucia and Agata, Matera, Italy

*Luce d'estate*, Spirale Milano, Marina di Varazze, Varazze, Italy

*Plasmare la Forma attraverso la Luce*, Progetto Artevita, Matera, Italy

*The Solo Project*, De Primi Fine Art Gallery, St. Jakobshalle, Basel, Switzerland

*Modellare la Luce attraverso l'Acciaio*, Museum of Villa Durazzo, S.M. Ligure, Italy

*Elliptical Light*, Hotel Melia, Dubai

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## **2010**

*Light as steel*, Galleria Como Arte, Como, Italy

*Renaissance of Towers - Leggero Come l'Acciaio*, Mazzoleni Art Gallery, Bergamo, Italy

*Acciaio e Kauri*, The Wood Museum, Riva 1920, Cantù, Como, Italy

Mazzoleni Art Gallery, Forte Village Resort, Sardinia, Italy

*Renaissance of Towers – Il peso del Palio*, bank of Legnano, Legnano, Italy

*Energie*, Museum Magi 900, Bologna, Italy

*Luce*, Colonna del Grillo, Castelmonastero, Siena, Italy

## **2009**

*Leggero come l'Acciaio*, Galleria Como Arte, Como, Italy

*From Columbus to Columbus*, Sala Verdi, Conservatorio di Milano, UECO Foundation, Milan, Italy

## **2008**

*Tu vuoi essere Attore...o comparsa?*, Barclays Premier, Spirale Milano, Milan, Italy

*Energy, Urban installations*, Palazzo Melchionni, Alessandria, Italy

*Opere Monumentali*, Golf Club Bogogno, Novara, Italy

*Renaissance of Towers, Brooks Brothers and Bang & Olufsen*, Florence, Italy

*Renaissance of Towers, Stark, The Humboldt Transformer Station*, Berlin, Germany

## **2006**

*Urban installations*, Quaestorship of Novara, Novara, Italy

## **2005**

*Testa di Cavallo*, Al Halamen Roundabout, Novara, Italy

## **2004**

*Luce*, New Art Gallery, Borgomanero, Italy

## **2003**

*Horses*, Jumeirah, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

## **SELECTED COLLECTIVE EXHIBITIONS**

### **2021**

NFT I IRL, Firetti Contemporary Gallery, Dubai, UAE

### **2019**

Texas Contemporary, IMAGO Art Gallery, Houston, Texas, USA

Grand Art, IMAGO Art Gallery, Milano, Italy

### **2018**

7th edition of *Bad RagARTz*, Swiss Triennial of Sculpture, St. Gallen, Switzerland and Vaduz, Liechtenstein

Biennale Architettura 2018 - 16th International Architecture Exhibition, Venice, Italy

Group exhibition, Casa della Consulenza, Banca Mediolanum, Milan, Italy

Art Cologne, *Gallery on the Move*, Cologne, Germany

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ArteFiera Bologna, *Gallery on The Move*, Bologna, Italy  
Art Monte-Carlo, Cortesi Gallery (Milan), Montecarlo, Italy  
Grand Art, Imago Art Gallery (Lugano), Milan, Italy  
Kunst, Imago Art Gallery (Lugano), Zurigo, Switzerland

## 2017

*Made In Forte 1.0: Percorsi di Luci*, Forte dei Marmi, Italy  
Beirut Art Fair, ContiniArtUK, Beirut International Exhibition & Leisure Centre Down Town, Beirut, Lebanon  
Arte Fiera Bologna, ContiniArtUK, Bologna, Italy  
Art Cologne, *Gallery on the Move*, Cologne, Germany

## 2016

Art Miami, Rosenbaum Contemporary, Miami, Florida, USA  
London Design Biennale 2016, London, UK  
*Colour and Matter*, Promenade du Port, Porto Cervo, Italy  
ArtGeneve, *Gallery on the Move*, Palaexpo, Geneva, Switzerland  
WopArt, ContiniArtUK, Lugano, Switzerland  
International Art Fair Warsaw, ContiniartUK, Warsaw, Poland

## 2015

56th Venice Biennale, Syrian Pavilion, San Servolo island, Venice, Italy  
Art Miami, Rosenbaum Contemporary, Miami, Florida, USA  
*Breaking Through Miami*, Charity auction, Rosenbaum Contemporary, Bal Harbour, Florida, USA  
International Contemporary Art Fair, New York, USA  
*Art Wynwood*, Rosenbaum Contemporary, Miami, Florida, USA  
*Stemperando*, International Biennial of Artworks on Paper, Turin, Italy  
Art Stage Singapore, Contini Art UK, Convention Centre, Marina Bay Sands, Singapore  
*Breaking Through—Miami*, St. Regis Bal Harbour, Bal Harbour, Florida  
Artissima, International Fair of Contemporary Art, Turin, Italy  
*Acquae*, Venice 2015, Venice Pavillion, Expo 2015, Milan, Italy  
*Hymn to Life*, The Prize Mother Teresa of Calcutta, USA Pavilion, Expo 2015, Milan, Italy  
*Vicenza Oro, Monolite d'acciaio*, Vicenza, Italy  
Art Market Budapest, Millenaris Cultural Center, Budapest, Hungary  
Art Southampton - Nova's Ark Project, Rosenbaum Contemporary, Southampton, New York, USA  
Art Brussels, *Gallery on the Move*, Brussels, Belgium  
Art Cologne, *Gallery on the Move*, Cologne, Germany  
*From Enlightenment to Light*, Miami Country Day School, Miami, Florida, USA  
*Art in the Park*, Muse Sunny Isles, Collins Avenue; Sunny Isles Beach, Florida, USA

## 2014

Art Stage Singapore, ContiniArtUK, Singapore, Malaysia  
Art Southampton, Lausberg Contemporary, Southampton, New York, USA  
*Mese della Cultura e della Lingua Italiana*, Collective Exhibition of Italian Contemporary Artists, Yacht Club of Monaco, Monaco  
*Yachting and Art*, Continental Art Fair Gallery, Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, France  
*All about these...Ladies and Gentlemen*, video screening, Co-Pilot project, Istanbul, Turkey  
MiART, *Gallery on the Move*, Milan, Italy

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*At a Glance*, Galerie Bernd A. Lausberg, Cologne, Germany  
Art Cologne, Gallery on the Move, Cologne, Germany  
Art Miami, Galerie Lausberg, Miami, Florida  
Arte Verona – Art Project Fair, *Gallery on the Move*, Verona, Italy  
Group exhibition, ContiniArtUK, London, UK

### **2013**

ArtMonaco, Grimaldi Forum, Principality of Monaco  
Art Monaco, Nina Torres Fine Art Gallery, Monte Carlo, Monaco  
*Light in Paris*, Espace Pierre Cardin, Paris, France  
Design Day, Dubai, UAE  
*Light in Miami*, Bayfront Park, Miami, USA  
Electronic Art Café, Space Thank goodness, Bologna, Italy  
*First Friday Art Walk*, Nina Torres Fine Art Gallery, Miami, Florida, USA

### **2012**

*Naturalmente*, Italy-China Biennial, Monza, Italy  
*Declinations plastics*, Fienilarte, Pietrasanta, Italy  
*AD – The House of the Italians*, Fair Milan City, Milan, Italy  
MiArt, Milan, Italy  
Art Verona, Spirale Milano, Verona, Italy  
*Gateway of Light, 30 Years of Style*, The Anniversary of AD Magazine, Milan, Italy

### **2011**

Gallery Marco Monti, Monza, Italy  
*Flashes of light in the city*, Monza, Italy  
House of Art Marbella, Marbella, Spain  
*Shaping the form through light*, Saint Lucia and Agatha convent, Matera, Italy  
*The Solo Project*, Art Basel, Switzerland  
Art Paris, De Primi Fine Art Gallery, Grand Palais, Paris, France  
*Strappi, Graffi e Bagliori*, Galleria Mondo Arte, Milan, Italy  
MiArt, Spirale Milano, Milan, Italy  
Art Monaco, Galleria Ferrari, Grimaldi Forum, Monaco  
*Tra le Briccole di Venezia*, Salone Internazionale del Mobile, IMM Cologne Germany, Cologne, Germany  
*Tra le Briccole di Venezia*, Museum of Applied Arts (MAKK), Cologne, Germany

### **2010**

IULM Open Air, IULM University, Milan, Italy  
*The Weight of the Palio*, Banca di Legnano, Legnano, Italy  
*Energie*, Museum Magi '900, Pieve di Cento, Italy  
Triennial Art Exhibition, Palace of the Arts, Milan, Italy  
10th Edition National Art Prize City of Novara, Orta San Giulio, Italy  
*The Present and the Future*, Manoir de Cologny, Place du Manoir, Geneva, Switzerland  
Arte Verona, Galleria Ferrari, Verona, Italy  
*Chiedimi il Rosso*, Overlook Centro d'Arte, Pistoia, Italy  
*Riflessi in Laguna, Le briccole di Venezia*, Riva 1920, Venezia, Italy  
Openspace, IULM University, Milan, Italy

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*Riflessi in Laguna, Le briccole di Venezia*, Salone Internazionale del Mobile, Triennale di Milano, Milan, Italy  
MiArt, Spirale Milano, Milan, Italy

## **2009**

Bau 2009, Munich, Germany  
*Luxury on the Lake*, Galleria la Perla, Cernobbio, Como, Italy  
*From Columbus to Columbus*, Sala Verdi, Conservatorio di Milano, Fondazione UECO; Milan, Italy  
Ninth Edition of National Prize for Sculpture and Paintings, City of Novara, Salone Arengo, Palazzo Borletto, Novara, Italy  
Art Verona, Spirale Milano, Verona, Italy  
*Blue Note*, Emma Re's Concert, Milan, Italy  
*Steel Walls*, Salusperaquam XLVIII Fuorisalone del Mobile, Milan, Italy  
MiArt, Spirale Milano, Milan, Italy  
*Renaissance of Towers, Progetto MIRAGGI*, Piazza Vigili del Fuoco, Milan, Italy  
*Steel Walls*, BAU International Fair for Architecture, Materials, Systems, Monaco

## **2008**

*YOU want to be ... Actor or appearance?*, Barclays Premier, Milan, Italy  
*Stark*, The Humboldt Transformer Station, Berlin, Germany  
*ARTOUR-O MUST*, International Culture Hall, Yiwu, China  
*ARTOUR-O MUST*, Grand Hotel Minerva, Piazza S. Maria Novella, Florence, Italy  
*Il Lusso delle Opere di Helidon Xhixha*, Bespoke, Fair of Luxury, Ex Palazzo del Ghiaccio, Milan, Italy  
Arte Verona, Spirale Milano, Verona, Italy  
ArteForte, Spirale Milano, Forte dei Marmi, Lucca, Italy  
*Il Lago in Mostra: Passato, Presente e Futuro dell'Arte*, Pallanza Villa Giulia, Verbania, Italy

## **2007**

*Frame Paint*, Venice, Italy

## **2002**

Salone Arengo di Palazzo Borletto, Novara, Italy  
*Luci ed Ombre*, Galleria Magenta, Via Roma, Milan, Italy

## **2001**

Agora Gallery, New York, USA  
*One Company Brain*, Think Finance, Milan, Italy  
Brera Academy of Fine Arts, Milan, Italy  
Sculpture contest, Open Air Museum, Tokyo, Japan

## **2000**

Opened Factories, Procos Spa, Cameri, Italy  
*Naked for the summer*, Art and Culture, Milan, Italy  
Black Health Gallery, London, UK  
Mulino Vecchio di Bellinzago, Parco Piemontese del Ticino, Bellinzago Novarese, Italy

## **1999**

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United States of America Consulate General, Milan, Italy  
Kingston University, London, UK

**1998**

USA, Milan, Italy  
Kingston University, London, UK

**1997**

Sforzesco Castle, Galliate, Italy

**1996**

Brera Laboratory of Modern and Contemporary Art, Milan, Italy

**1989**

Gallery of Figurative Art, Durres, Albania  
National Gallery of Arts, Tirana, Albania

**COLLECTIONS AND MUSEUMS, PUBLIC INSTALLATIONS**

**Albania**

*Riflessi di storia*, Presidential Palace, Tirana  
*Cosmic S*, Zogu I Zi Square, Tirana  
*Omega Steel*, CFO Pharma, Tirana  
Presidential Palace, Tirana

**France**

*Seahorse*, Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, Côte d'Azur  
Pierre Cardin, Paris

**Germany**

*Renaissance of Towers*, STARK The Transformer Station Umbolt, Kopenhagener Strasse, Berlin  
(Travelling Exhibition)

**Italy**

4th Biennal VOLAREARTE, Pisa and Florence, June 2017- June 2019, curated by The Henraux Foundation and Toscana Aeroporti SPA, Installations at Aeroporto Amerigo Vespucci in Florence, Galileo Galilei Airport in Pisa and central train station in Pisa  
*Oceano*, International park of Sculpture, Marina di Pietrasanta, Lucca, Italy  
*Monolite d'acciaio*, National Museum of Science and Technology Leonardo da Vinci, Milan  
*Suono d'acciaio*, The Violin and Contemporary Art Museum, Stradivari Foundation, Cremona  
Via Acquaviva, Zona Porto Canale, Cremona  
*Renaissance of Towers*, Piazza Alessandro Volta, Como (Travelling Exhibition)  
*Renaissance of Towers*, Piazza de' Rucellai, Florence (Travelling Exhibition)  
*Renaissance of Towers*, Piazza Vigili del Fuoco; Milan (Travelling Exhibition)  
*Renaissance of Towers*, Piazza IV Novembre, Legnano (Travelling Exhibition)  
*Renaissance of Towers*, Provincial Authorities Building, Via Torquato Tasso, Bergamo (Travelling Exhibition)

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*Renaissance of Towers*, Cornice Venice International Art Fair, Venice (Travelling Exhibition)  
*Renaissance of Towers*, Corso Umberto I, lakeside, Stresa (VB) (Travelling Exhibition)  
Vigili del Fuoco Square, Milan  
Piazza Santa Maria Novella, Florence  
Piazza El Alamein, Giulio Cesare project, Novara  
*Airone*, Fountain, Piazza Magnani Ricotti, Novara  
*Testa di cavallo*, Piazza El Alamein, Novara  
Corso Umberto I, Stresa  
Piazza Marinone, Mosezzo San Pietro, Italy  
*Everlasting*, La Porta di Milano, Terminal 1, Malpensa Airport, Milan  
*Waterfalls*, Giuseppe Bussolin Square, Padua  
*Lighted Runways*, Terminal 1, Malpensa Airport, Milan  
*Iceberg*, Venice Biennale, San Servolo Island, Venice  
*The Four Elements*, Venice Biennale, San Servolo Island, Venice  
*Pillars of Light*, Venice Biennale, San Servolo Island, Venice  
*Riflessi dal cielo*, Lombardy Regional Government Building, Milan  
*Light Collision*, Lombardy Regional Government Building, Milan  
*The Coil*, Arvedi Steel Plant, Via Acquaviva 18, Zona Porto Canale, Cremona  
*Steel and Kauri*, Riva 1920, The Museum of Wood, Via Milano 110, Cantù  
*Light and Shade*, Gemine Muse, Young Artists in Italian Museums, Novara  
*Cavallino Rampante*, Ferrari Headquarters, Maranello  
*Bas-relief*, Piazza Marinone, San Pietro Mosezzo (NO)  
*Horses*, Piazza Martiri della Libertà, Banca Popolare di Intra, Novara  
*Luce sulla Laguna*, Centurion Palace, Venice  
*Radiant Energy*, Olbia Airport, Olbia (SS)  
*Luce della Laguna*, Olbia Airport, Olbia (SS)  
*Riflessi di Luna*, Linate Airport, Linate (MI)  
*The Twin Bottles. Message in a Bottle*, Helidon Xhixha and Jack Braglia, Ca' Vendramin Calergi and the Arsenale of Venice, Venice  
*The Twin Bottles. Message in a Bottle*, Helidon Xhixha and Jack Braglia, Triennale di Milano, Milan  
Arvedi Group, Cremona  
Associazione "Ali Spahia", Milan  
Banca Mediolanum, Padua  
Ferrari Headquarters, Maranello, (MO)  
Francesca Rava Foundation, Milan  
Gallerie degli Uffizi, Florence  
Giannina Gaslini Institute, Genoa  
Henraux Foundation, Lucca  
Humanitas Foundation, Milan  
Laureus Foundation, Milan  
Luciano Pavarotti Foundation, Milan  
MediaFriends Onlus, Milan  
Municipality of Legnano, (MI)  
Municipality of Novara, Giulio Cesare Project, Novara Municipality of San Pietro Mosezzo, (NO)  
Municipality of Stresa, (NO)  
Museo del Legno Riva, Cantù  
Museo del Violino, Stradivari Foundation, Cremona  
Museo della Scienza e della Tecnologia "Leonardo da Vinci", Milan

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Roma Foundation, Rome  
San Patrignano Foundation, San Patrignano (RN)  
Veneto Banca, Novara  
Palazzo della Provincia, Bergamo  
Palazzo della Ragione, Milan

### **Monaco**

Vela, New Yacht Club de Monaco, Quai Louise II  
Switzerland  
Mantegazza, Palazzo Mantegazza, Riva Paradiso, Lugano  
Riflessi Lunari, Helsinn Healthcare SA, Pazzallo  
The Three Monoliths, Montanstahl Factory, Via Gerrette, Stabio

### **Switzerland**

Mantegazza, Palazzo Mantegazza, Riva Paradiso, Lugano  
Riflessi Lunari, Helsinn Healthcare SA, Pazzallo  
The Three Monoliths, Montanstahl Headquarters, Stabio. Big Data, Parco Ciani, Luano

### **UAE**

Elliptical Light, Grand Hotel Melia, Port Rashid, Dubai

### **USA**

Endless Melody, Melody Tower, Miami, Florida  
The Wall, Bayfront Park, Miami, Florida  
The Mirror, Miami, Florida  
Thunder Light, St. Regis Bal Harbour, Bal Harbour, Florida  
Oceano, Muse Sunny Isles Sales Gallery, Sunny Isles Beach, Florida  
Echo Brickell, Miami, Florida  
Light Gate, Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida

## **AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

### **2017**

London Design Biennale, Public Medal for best installation, London, UK

### **2016**

Cultural Classic Award 2016, Premio Eccellenze, Naples, Italy  
He won the Public Medal for the best Installation at the London Design Biennale at Somerset House in London for his monumental sculpture *Bliss*

### **2013**

His artwork *Monolite d'Acciaio* was included in the permanent collection of the National Museum Leonardo Da Vinci, Milan, Italy

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## 2009

Lifetime Achievement Award, ninth edition of the National Art Award, organized by the artistic and cultural association Art Action, under the patronage of the Ministry of Heritage and culture of the Piedmont Region, the Province of Novara and FIAF (Italian Federation of Photographic Association), city of Novara, Italy

## 2003

He won the first prize at the second edition of the *Gemine Muse Young Artists in Italian Museums* at Novara (Italy) with his piece *Light and Shade*

Excellent Photographer Award, 6th Edition China Jinan International Photography Biennale, China

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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*Helidon Xhixha and Jack Braglia, The Twin Bottles: Message in a Bottle*, Venice, P. Bonvicini, Peruzzo Editoriale, Padua, 2019

*Helidon Xhixha: Steel and Stone*, exhibition catalogue, Forte dei Marmi, Bandecchi & Vivaldi, Pontedera, Italy, 2019

*Helidon Xhixha: Riflessi di Luce*, exhibition catalogue (Lugano, Switzerland), Peruzzo Editore, Padua, Italy, 2019

*Helidon Xhixha: In Ordine Sparso*, exhibition catalogue, Firenze Musei, Galleria degli Uffizi, (Florence, Italy) essays by Eike Schmidt, Bianca Maria Landi, Diego Giolitti, Sillabe, 2017

*Helidon Xhixha: Refractive Vibes*, exhibition catalogue, essays by Richard Cork, London, UK, 2016

*Helidon Xhixha: Shining Rock*, exhibition catalogue, essays by Luca Beatrice, Pietrasanta, Italy, 2016

*All the world's Futures*, exhibition catalogue, Venice Biennale 2015, Venice, Italy, 2015

*Helidon Xhixha: Everlasting. L'Ultima Cena*, exhibition catalogue, (Milan, Italy), edited by Luciano Bolzoni, Idesia, Trento, 2015

*All the World's Futures*, 56th Venice Biennale Catalogue, Venice, Italy, 2015

*Helidon Xhixha: Plasmare la forma attraverso la luce*, essays by Francesco Poli, Carlo Cambi Editore, Poggibonsi, (Siena), 2011

*Helidon Xhixha: Leggero come l'acciaio*, essay by Badellino Enrico, Skira Editore, Milan, 2009

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