

Lettre à Irma

Production Le Labo Espace 2 Radio Télévision Suisse, Faïdos Sonore¹, Les Voix de Traverse

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Version concert 8.1 and binaural stereo for podcast.

Text Benoit Bories, sound composition Aurélien Caillaux et Benoit Bories, voice Yohan Bret



<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/lettre-a-irma>

You were born the year the city's rumors died down.

That rumor had absorbed so many details, which gradually come back to us. Fragile sounds that take on new power. Another music came to tickle our ears. And yet, it was already there, very present, but we rarely heard it. Today, it takes on its full dimension.

My first gesture was to keep a few traces of it, so that you could listen to them, so that we could talk about them. Then I'd like you, in turn, to listen to them.

Perhaps then you'll imagine the sounds to be inserted, to slip into the gaps left by this world, this world that has been muted for a few moments...

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"Lettre à Irma" is a sound creation composed by four hands during confinement. It's a letter written by Benoit Bories to his daughter, born the year the crisis entered our lives. We went out to record the new sounds of the city, rediscovered with the rumor of the city that had died down. We recorded the soundscapes at night and in the early hours of the morning.

The sound-writing of "Lettre à Irma" combines a field-recording approach with an acousmatic gesture. By acousmatic process, we mean the act of transforming a sound to reveal musical potentialities that could not be heard in its raw state. The sound of a chickadee, for example, can be stretched to reveal rhythms and motifs that could not be heard at the outset. The composition of "Lettre à Irma" is a way of deconstructing this acousmatic gesture. The text is made up of nine chapters, nine sound worlds in which the listener moves around as if strolling through the empty city. For each of these parts, we took as our starting point the raw, fragile sound materials that emerged from the silence of the city's rumor. We then deployed musicalities drawn from the transformation of these sound materials. Throughout our recordings during the confinement period, despite having lived in Toulouse for twenty years, we never stopped discovering a setting we didn't seem to know.

We want to propose « Lettre à Irma » to the Dystopia biennial as a live performance in 8.1 in order to immerge the public. The piece, when it was released in 2020 and 2021, was presented mainly in its form. We would need during the biennial of a space with this mean of sound diffusion. We can also propose the live performance in binaural stereo. We would need headphones for the public and a sound distributor. Nevertheless, we prefer the live performance in 8.1. Because it's a more collective experience, which goes against the grain of the technological response to the crisis, which tends to individualize us even more.



Benoit and Aurélien live performance april 2023

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Lettre à Irma, the text

I've deliberately separated the parts so that a non-French-speaking listener can relate them to the distinct musical parts.

You were born the year the town's rumor mill closed down. To tell the truth, it didn't disappear altogether. Rather, it has diminished sharply, leaving only ersatz sounds. Traces of white noise, witnesses to past activity.

These ersatz sounds of the bubbles of life we'd created for ourselves gradually shattered on the ground, leaving only incomprehensible crumbs. Like the sound of a rolling billboard advertising obsolete products. The sounds of a society industrialized to the point of suffocation. Street furniture unfurls its music as a sign of obsolescence. Underground parking lot melodies with standardized frequencies playing without an audience.

This rumor had absorbed so many details. Which come back to us little by little. Fragile sounds taking on new power... Another music came to tickle our ears. Yet it was already there, very present. But there were few moments when we could hear it. Now, it's coming into its own.

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When you're old enough to talk and understand what I'm telling you, I'm not sure you'll believe me. And I'm even less sure that you'll be able to imagine this situation. Undoubtedly, the industrial world will be back in full swing, with its technological, augmented and noisy side. For it's this face

that's likely to emerge as the big winner from what's going on right now. So, perhaps you won't have the opportunity to hear these soundscapes again as they are now.

My first gesture was to keep a few traces of them, so that you could listen to them, so that we could talk about them. Then, to have you in turn listen to them. Perhaps then you'll imagine the sounds to be inserted, to slip into the gaps left by this world. This world that has been muted for a few moments. Because it's the moment we're talking about.

Everyday objects to which little attention had been paid began to lead their own lives, filling the sound space from time to time. The bird, far back on the left, has emerged from the fog. Walls seem to have a new life in the absence of human presence ... Real estate signs hung on the wooden shutters of apartments for rent began to play free jazz solos in the middle of the night. In middle-class neighborhoods, moreover, where street music had long since disappeared. The construction sites have come to a standstill. Now a wind instrument, the wind plays around and creates melodies. Metal scaffolding sings in the early morning. Fine clicks have replaced the heavy percussion of drilling machines. The gigantism has faded away to let in the poetry of the smallest scale. Only the rats are still around, playing with the future secure access systems for homes. This march towards the standardization of our lives has come to a halt, the race towards technology has come to a momentary halt. So that we can finally have the time to look at it, to see ourselves struggling with it like in a mirror. We're not all equal when it comes to extracting ourselves from it.

Another night in Toulouse, emptied of its inhabitants. A haggard-looking man, his bag full of belongings, walks past me. He's mumbling incoherent words. He hasn't seen me, or isn't paying any attention to me. He's walking up a four-lane avenue in the center of town, alone in the middle, dazed, outside, locked in.

Night out again. We hear the ballet of delivery men on bikes. The rollers on the cobblestones can be heard from a distance and take a long time to disappear. They are the only inhabitants of the city night. They are among the last moving beings in public space. Delivering concrete objects on doorsteps, behind which people are confined, screens surrounded. From outside reality; they bring what can be touched, felt, smelled, eaten, drunk and digested.

The current crisis, and its effects at least, have accelerated what we were previously aiming for. They also show that it's what's most rooted in reality that seems least valued. The industrial world generates a crisis which in turn feeds it, accelerating its technological mutation. The rolling of bicycles on the pavement echoes the rhythms of freight trains.

There are also brilliant new aspects of sounds already known but now rediscovered. The stridulations of the blackbird, for example. I've never heard it like this before. I hear distant neighbors. I enjoy listening to their daily rituals and music, I'm captured by the clatter of sheets of paper drying on a clothesline. My neighbor's daughter was seized by a dazzling inspiration and painted all afternoon. We're waiting for the train, the level crossing engages. A father is there with his three children. The boy puts his ear to the ground and invites his sisters to be quiet and listen to the train. I'm on the other side of the crossing and I can follow the content of the exchanges between the three children. This rumor that has fallen silent brings us closer together in our respective intimacies, leads us to pay more attention to others, to be able to detect the complexity of nuances in the palette of our behaviors, to better understand the beings who live next to us. When I walk down the street, I can hear whispers escaping from apartments, snatches of stolen conversations.

Skateboarders on the street, the friction of their boards echoing loudly on the pavement. They're my age, but they have that childlike poetry that I find in you every day. A way of transforming insignificant details of the city, objects out of use. Like this torn-off traffic sign transformed into a sliding ramp. They make do with little nothings as springboards for pirouettes, a burlesque pied-de-nez to the absurd situation we all find ourselves in, when we can't find a parry to oppose it. You, too, smile with little things, seem to build worlds for yourself that you invite me to share with your fresh eyes. Your rituals rule my days: changing you, clutching the bottle to drink milk, taking breaks, coming back to it, taking time, watching life through the window, and digesting, all these moments. It usually ends with a muffled sound, marking the beginning of the next stage. This next step is lived like the previous one, with its immediate joys and frustrations. You always take time for your morning ritual. You talk with your hands, you look at them, you try to deliver new sounds and modulations. In a little while, you'll have broadened your sound palette, your hands will no longer be foreign to you, you'll have integrated them as parts of your being. You will then be able to propose your own chosen sounds to the outside world. The current situation has left the sound planes free. It's up to you, as it is to so many others, to make sound, to make sense, with your own unique poetry.

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Professional experiences

2011-2023

- Sound art creatios and documentaries director and producer for Arte radio, France Culture, RTBF, RFI, RTBF, RTS, ABC Australian Radio, Deutschland Radio Kultur.
- Acousmatic compositions for theater, contemporary arts and live documentary and acousmatic performance
- Sound art teacher (high school classes, art schools, professional training). Sound workshops and residencies in a educational context.

2006-2010

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2004-2006

- Quantum physics teacher and phd in Toulouse University.

Prizes and nominations

2023

- Nomination of « Les gardiennes du temple » Grand Prix Nova Romania category binaural
- Finalist of for New-York Radio Awards 2023 category « Best sound » with« Les gardiennes du temple » (The guardians of the temple)
- Grand jury of New-York Radio Awards 2023

2022

- Nomination of « Bouilleur de crû » (Traveling vintage distiller) for Grand Prix Nova Romania Bucarest category « binaural»
- Nomination of « Bouilleur de crû » (Traveling vintage distiller) for the festival Longueur d'ondes of Brest compétition sound art documentary.

2021

- Nomination IDA Awards Los Angeles with the sound piece « La foresta dei violini »
- Prize Ondas Barcelona with the sound piece « La foresta dei violini »
- Nyork Radio Awards with the sound piece « La foresta dei violini » in two categories « Best sound » 1st prize and « Music documentary » 3rd prize

2020

- 2nd prize Grand Prix Nova for « Letter to Irma » binaural category.
- Nomination UK Radio Drama with the sound piece Pig's weather.
- Nomination Longueurs d'ondes Brest with the sound piece Pig's weather.

2019

- Prize Ondas with the sound piece Pig's weather.
- Finalist to New York Radio Award history documentary category with the sound piece « Un temps de cochon ».
- 2nd prize binaural category to Grand Prix Nova in Bucarest with « Un temps de cochon ».

2018

- Gulliver fund 2018 with « Un temps de cochon ».
- Silver medal to New York Radio Award music category with the sound piece « Une quête »..
- Nomination in Short forms category to Grand Prix Nova in Bucarest with « Bush songs »
- Nomination to Prix Longueurs d'ondes in Brest with « Une quête »

2017

- Selection to Hellicotrema Festival au Palazio Grassi in Venice with « Dans le souffle de la bête »
- Nomination to Prix Europa music category with « Une quête ».
- Prix Phonurgia Nova Awards with « Une quête ».
- Gulliver fund 2017 for « Les Barques ».
- Nomination to Hörspielsommer festival in Leipzig july 2017.

2016

- Gulliver fund 2016 with « Une quête ».
- Nomination « Short Forms » to Grand Prix Nova Romania in Bucarest.
- Nomination Hörspielsommer festival in Leipzig.

2015

- Nomination « Best Sound » category to Hearsay International Award in Ireland with « Boyaca, a disappearance ».
- Nomination to Prix Europa with « Un autre genre de paix ».
- Lauréat de la Bourse Brouillons d'un rêve numérique de la Société Civile des Auteurs Multi-média (SCAM) with the trans-media production « Dans le souffle de la bête ».
- Nomination to Soundscape and Sound Identities, Symposium 2015 de Forum KlangandSchaft in Castel Beseno Italie.

2014

- Lauréat de la bourse du Centre National de la Cinématographie commission DICREAM with the trans-media production « Dans le souffle de la bête ».
- Finalist of Radio Award of the Documentary Festival of Sheffield with « Camp sisterhood »..
- Finalist to international prize Radio IRBI in Téhéran.

2013

- Shortlist « sound writing originality » in Prix Italia with « Camp sisterhood ».
- Lauréat de la Bourse « Du côté des ondes » RTBF / SACD / SCAM with web-documentary « Un autre genre de paix ».
- Special Commendation, 2ème prix Prix Europa 2013 with « Camp sisterhood ».
- Prix Bohemia 2013 Pragues with « Camp sisterhood ».
- Lauréat de la bourse du Centre National de la Cinématographie commission COSIP with web-documentary « Un autre genre de paix ».

Sound skills

- Mixing, editing, sampling with Reaper, Samplitude, Pro tools.
- Plugins Waves, Izotope and GRM Tools
- Composition software Usine, Open music, Ableton Live Max MSP.
- Sound recording stéréo ab, xy, MS and binaural, micro-switchs, hydrophone, ambisonic.
- Acousmatic composition.
- Multichannel mixing, binauralization of the multi-channel mix, ambisonic mixing.

Sound art productions

2021-2023

- **Les gardiennes du temple ~ Faïdos Sonore, Théâtre des Quatre Saisons, Le Florida, GMEM ~ September 2022**

Documentary and acousmatic sound creation on the journey of two sisters who grew up in the camp of former French Indochina in Sainte-Livrade. Podcast and spatialized version in situ.

Co-production RTS-France Culture, Théâtre des Quatre Saisons, GMEM Marseille, Le Florida Scènes de Musiques actuelles. Finalist New-York Radio Awards 2023.

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/les-gardiennes-du-temple>

- **Au-delà des murs (Beyond the walls) ~ Toulouse Municipality/RTS/Studio Éole ~ September 2022**

Sound performance and installation around the history of the Lagrave maternity and the hospital services attached to Lagrave.

Commande de la Mairie de Toulouse Direction du Patrimoine de Toulouse, coproduction RTS (Radio Télévision Suisse) et Studio Éole.

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/au-dela-des-murs>

- **Y en a marre de Johnny ~ Faïdos Sonore et Espace des arts Corne d'or ~ June 2022**

Immersive documentary and acousmatic sound creation in a home for people with mental disabilities. Axis of artistic experimentation: their everyday musicalities.

Co-production Espace des arts de Tourouvre et Faïdos Sonore.

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/y-en-a-marre-de-johnny>

- **Bal des lucioles ~ Cie l'an 01 ~ Spring 2022**

Acousmatic and electronic composition for the play "Bal des lucioles" by Cie l'an01.

Co-production Théâtre de la Cité CDN Occitanie, CNAREP Pronomades.

<https://cielan01.fr/le-bal-des-lucioles/>

2020-2021

- **Bouilleur de crû ~ Faïdos Sonore et RTS Le Labo ~ September 2021**

Portrait of an itinerant distiller conceived as a sensitive and universal description of a changing peasant world.

Co-production RTS Le Labo, Faïdos Sonore. With the support of the DRAC Occitanie and the La Cuisine Négrepelisse art center. Podcast, radio and concert versions 14.1

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/bouilleur-de-cru>

- **La foresta dei violini (The violins forest) ~ Radio Suisse Italienne/Faïdos Sonore ~ Spring 2021**

Sound performance and radio documentary about the Val di Fiemme, valley known for its violin wood since the 15th century.

Radio Suisse Italienne and Faïdos Sonore productions. With the support of Tourism Agency of Val di Fiemme. Finalists in New York Radio Awards « Best sound » and « Music Documentary » categories.

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/la-foresta-dei-violini>

- **Lettre à Irma (Letter to Irma) ~ RTS ~ May 2020**

A letter from a father to his daughter about the lockdown and the covid crisis.

Production RTS, 2nd Prize Grand Prix Nova Romania

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/lettre-a-irma>

- **Prendre soin (Taking care) ~ RTS ~ May 2020**

Documentary and sound performance. The work highlights the bonds of solidarity between four adolescents with disabilities in a specialized establishment.

Production RTS, financement DRAC Occitanie, avec le soutien du Studio Eole.

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/prendre-soin>

2019

- **Kilfinane heart songs ~ Hearsay Audio Festival Award ~ April 2019**

Sound installation and live concert around the soundscape of Kilfinane for the Hearsay Audio Festival Award 2019.

Co-production Hearsay Audio Festival, RTE, BBC.

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/kilfinane-heart-songs>

- **Un temps de cochon (Pig's weather) ~ RTBF/RTS ~ December 2018**

Former Spanish guerrillas are fighting to save the memory of their former concentration camp in Tarn-et-Garonne. Three crossed portraits of exile journeys where families learn to find themselves on one side and the other of the Pyrenees 70 years later.

Bourse Gulliver RTBF, RTS, SCAM, SACD. Diffusions sous forme de concert documentaire 2019-2020 (Toulouse, Région Occitanie, Suisse, Italie, Espagne, États-Unis). 2ème prix Grand Prix Nova Roumanie, finaliste Nyork radio award, Prix ondas international de radio.

https://soundcloud.com/user-5467806/un-temps-de-cochon-binaural?fbclid=IwAR3--Q-2WGMGaKk4I9QHq69z9QMLcPQXGYoZqz-gXI8rxM_05Wtk1YKDp9M

2018

- **Cinéma en liberté (Free cinemas) ~ Director's Fortnight Cannes Film Festival ~ May 2018**

Live sound performance for the 50th anniversary of the Directors' Fortnight in Cannes.

<https://www.quinzaine-realisateurs.com/quinzaine50/>

http://faidosonore.net/sons/notes/Sequence_50_ANS_quinzaine_AVEC%20GENERIQUE.mp4

- **Les Jayes des Barques (The Barques grandmas) ~ RTBF / RTS ~ Avril 2018**

Women from the Gypsy community of Montpellier tell the story of the first shanty town in the center of Montpellier in the Barques district.

Bourse Gulliver, SCAM, SACD, production RTS.

<https://www.rts.ch/play/radio/le-labo/audio/labo-22-04-18-les-jayes-des-barques--bush-songs-deux-creations-de-benoit-bories?id=9470033>

2017

- **Gateway ~ Bogong Center for Sound Culture ~ December 2017**

Electroacoustic installation during a residency at the Bogong Art Center for Sound Culture in Australia around the relationship of the inhabitants of the Kiewa Valley with their environment. Broadcasts at the Superfield festival in Melbourne, the Radiophrenia festival in Glasgow, the Naisa festival in Ottawa, the Soundscapes festival in Malmö and the Museum of Natural History in Toulouse.

Production Bogong Art Center for Sound Culture, soutien Institut Français/Alliance Française/Mairie de Toulouse. Présentée au Super field festival à Melbourne, festival Radiophrenia Glasgow, festival NAISA Ottawa, festival Soundspaces Malmö.

<http://bogongsound.com.au/projects/gateway>

<http://designhub.rmit.edu.au/news/postcard-from-the-australian-alps>

<https://soundcloud.com/naisa/benoit-bories-gateway?in=naisa/sets/deep-wireless-14>

- **La mort de Tintagiles (Tontagile's death) ~ Cie l'an01 ~ September 2017**

Sound creation for "La mort de Tintagiles", directed by Yohan Bret, company An 01, in residence at the Sorano theater in Toulouse.

<http://theatre-sorano.fr/spectacle/mort-de-tintagiles/2017-11-07/>

- **S'évader (Escape) ~ Creation on air France Culture ~ May 2017**

Sound mapping of our escape moments.

<https://www.franceculture.fr/emissions/creation-air/sevader>

- **Master class électroacoustic Prize Bohemia 2017 ~ Electroacoustic performance ~ March 2017**

- **Une quête (A quest) ~ RTBF ~ March 2017**

Dominican brothers are trying to find techniques for liturgical chants from the 13th century.

Bourse Gulliver, SCAM, SACD, RTBF. Prix Phonurgia Awards 2017 Nominations au Prix Europa et au prix Longueurs d'ondes. Médaille d'argent au Nyork Radio Award catégorie Musique. Concert live aux Jacobins le 12 juin 2018.

<https://soundcloud.com/phonurgia-nova/benoit-bories-une-quete/recommended>

- **Libres travailleuses du sexe (Free sexworkers) ~ Une histoire particulière France Culture ~ February 2017**

Intimate portraits of different sexworkers.

<https://www.franceculture.fr/emissions/une-histoire-particuliere-un-recit-documentaire-en-deux-parties/libres-travailleuses-du>

2016

- **Visa pour jouer (visa to play) ~ Sur les docks France Culture ~ September 2016**

The obstacle course of a world music production structure faced with French migration policy.

<https://www.franceculture.fr/emissions/lsd-la-serie-documentaire/passer-les-frontieres-4-histoires-de-frontieres-24-visa-pour>

- **Rêves party (Dreaming party) ~ Installation sonore ~ Jacobins Convent ~ August 2016**

Installation and sound performance around anecdotal moments of escape. Electroacoustic composition on 16 speakers.

Commande de la Mairie de Toulouse.

<http://www.jacobins.toulouse.fr/reve-party>

- **Les bijoux de famille (The family male heritage) ~ Arteradio ~ May 2016**

Intimate documentary in the first person on the follow-up of a male contraception protocol.

http://arteradio.com/son/61657845/les_bijoux_de_famille

- **Le son qui détruit (The blasting sound) ~ Creation on air France Culture ~ February 2016**

The unrecognized problem of hyperacusis.

<http://www.franceculture.fr/emissions/creation-air/le-son-qui-detruit>

2015

- **L'humain n'est pas une science exacte (Human is not an exact science) ~ Creation on air France Culture ~ November 2015**

Double intimate portrait on the relationship to science and its gendered approach.

<http://www.franceculture.fr/emission-creation-on-air-l-humain-n-est-pas-une-science-exacte-2015-11-18>

- **Confusions ~ Jacobins Convent ~ October 2015**

Installation and sound performance around the sounds of the Jacobins Convent in Toulouse.

http://www.jacobins.toulouse.fr/actualites/-/asset_publisher/d3oaqAwNMOvV/content/confusions-portrait-sonore

- **Un autre genre de paix (Another kind of peace) ~ RTBF ~ May 2015**

Women committed to peace in Israel organize to carry out solidarity actions with Palestinians.

Bourse Du Côté des Ondes-RTBF-SCAM-SACD, Nomination Prix Europa 2015.

http://faidosonore.net/sons/notes/un_autre_genre_de_paix_48khZ_24bit.wav

- **Scène de squat (Squat scenes) ~ Arte radio et Mediapart ~ April 2015**

Small alleys of everyday life of the oldest self-managed cultural place in Toulouse, the Chapel.
http://www.arteradio.com/son/616562/scene_de_squat/

- **Objets et migrations (Objects and migrations) ~ L'atelier de la création France Culture ~ March 2015**

Objects bear witness to personal migratory journeys.

<http://www.franceculture.fr/emission-l-atelier-de-la-creation-objets-et-migration-2015-03-12>

- **Sélection d'œuvres électroacoustiques diffusées au MOMA PS1 (New-York) ~ Curateur Ken Montgomery ~ January 2015**

<https://newmusicworld.org/events/2015-02-01/>

2014

- **Le chant du maïs (The song of maïs) ~ Arte Radio ~ October 2014**

The return to the country of a Colombian immigrant to help peasants invested in territorial struggles against a French drilling company.

http://www.arteradio.com/son/616452/le_chant_du_maïs/

- **La colo libre des enfants du Lignon (The free children camp of the Lignon river) ~ L'atelier de la création France Culture ~ September 2014**

Children from Bobigny discover the environment of their self-managed colony thanks to the sound medium in a valley of Ardèche.

<http://www.franceculture.fr/emission-l-atelier-de-la-creation-la-colo-libre-des-enfants-du-lignon-2014-09-25>

- **Dans le souffle de la bête (In the breath of an animal) ~ Installation cross-media sonore et visuelle ~ November 2014**

An immersion in the daily life of animals intended for industrial breeding.

Co-production Faïdos Sonore/Harvestworks (New-York), diffusions à Toulouse en juillet 2015 Harvestworks (New-York) en novembre 2014 et en France en 2015 aux Nuits Blanches Paris. Soutien du CNC Commission DICREAM Aide au Développement., Bourse Brouillons d'un rêve numérique SCAM.

<https://vimeo.com/117323977>

- **En quittant Jérusalem (Leaving Jerusalem) ~ Arte Radio ~ April 2014**

Soundscape and electroacoustic composition following three routes with contradictory sounds starting from Jerusalem.

http://www.arteradio.com/son/616388/leaving_jerusalem/

- **Crack ~ France Culture ~ April 2014**

Documentary series in two episodes on crack and its context in the 19th arrondissement of Paris.

<http://www.franceculture.fr/emission-sur-les-docks-%C2%AB-crack-usages-et-mythes-%C2%BB-2014-04-07>

- **L'Attente (The waiting) ~ L'Atelier de la création, France Culture ~ January 2014**

Sound creation around waiting, its social markers and its imagination.

<http://www.franceculture.fr/emission-l-atelier-de-la-creation-l-attente-cartographie-sonore-d-un-moment-pas-si-anodin-2014-01-29>

2013

- **21 Taine 2012 ~ Installation sonore et photographique ~ Faïdos Sonore et La Muse en circuit ~ May 2013**

The portrait of an old Parisian building.

Co-production partenaire de diffusion Gaité Lyrique et Mediathèque Hélène Berr dans le cadre du festival Extension 2014 de la Muse en Circuit Paris XIIème (Mairie de Paris). Financement de la Mairie de Paris.
<http://www.sokinaguillemot.fr/TheGoldenPigeon/index.php?category/INSTALLATIONS>

- **Sœurs de camp (Camp sisterhood) ~ Arte Radio ~ March 2013**

Three women testify to their passage in the Brens concentration camp in the Tarn. An evocation of memories surprisingly imbued with tenderness, friendliness and creativity in such a dark context.

2ème prix au Prix Europa 2013, dans les trois premiers catégorie originalité de l'écriture documentaire du Prix Italia 2013 et 1er prix de la catégorie Documentaire du Prix Bohemia 2013. Nomination au prix IRBI Radio de Téhéran en mai 2014.

http://www.arteradio.com/son/616198/soeurs_de_camp/

- **La dépossession (The deposal) ~ L'Atelier de la création, France Culture ~ February 2013**

What are the managerial processes which make that a person carrying out an "artisanal" activity or carrying "know-how" is gradually relegated to a role of executing within a chain of which he does not control the management ?

<http://www.franceculture.fr/emission-l-atelier-de-la-creation-la-depossession-2015-08-16>

An artistic approach

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The sound art documentary as its origin

My sound creation activity originally came from the documentary. It has gradually transformed over time towards more hybrid productions combining forms borrowed from sound art, concrete music and the soundscape while retaining this desire to document societal issues. My documentary gaze always pushes me to tell the tale of the intimate in an attempt to resonate a universal. My learning and my practice of sound writing are based on a fairly high level training in physics (I have a doctorate in quantum physics), my taste for musical experimentation and a desire to confront myself with social questions. in the field of these issues. During my experiences, I have been led to establish an empirical knowledge of a sound writing formalism which is specific to me. I start from the principle that any subject can be told with sounds as long as we think of sound as a material to sculpt with volume, depth and a spectral range to explore as widely as possible. I want to keep an artisanal relation to the work of sound. It is a leitmotif that has always remained present in the construction of my sound identity. Knowing your materials well, mastering all the stages of sound production (writing a project, developing sound recording devices, sound sampling, electroacoustic work and mixing) is vital if you want think upstream of sound writing relevant to each project. Making the first technical choices in terms of sound recordings already lays the foundations for writing

I have worked for radio and podcast producers for almost ten years (Radio Télévision Suisse, Arte Radio, France Culture, RTBF, Mediapart, RFI, foreign radios). I have always been careful not to let myself be locked in by editorial lines imposed by the producers in order to continue to keep my "sound print" to deepen it further. For three years, I have been collaborating mainly with RTBF, RTS and Deutschland Radio Kultur, via the Gulliver fund, as radio producers and podcast.

Think of his documentary sound art pieces as multiphonic concerts resonating with the places

For five years now, I have been thinking of my sound productions as installations and / or performatives in multiphony. Systematically, I work to offer a spatialized concert form of my documentary sound productions. In addition to bringing my works to life collectively outside of a radio broadcast and podcast, these spectacular forms allow documentary creations to resonate with places, a phenomenon which is particularly interesting when the latter are linked to the subject of sound creation.

In concert forms, the documentary creations are sequenced in several narrative parts, themselves separated by parts of pure musical composition. Each musical moment is composed from the sounds heard in the sound skins of the previous narrative part. This has the function of keeping the listener in the imaginary bubble evoked by what he heard previously.

I used this principle of performance, scalable in terms of spatialization depending on the location, for several of my pieces. I list the most significant here by giving the listening links (headphones, some sound layers being mixed in binaural)

- **« Confusions », Jacobins Convent 2015 Toulouse.**
https://faidosonore.net/sons/notes/Confusions_jacobins.wav

This sound performance aims to immerse listeners in active listening and disturb the distinction between real sounds and composition. Lose the sense of direction to push the hearing experience further and lead the visitor to let themselves be carried more by the sound environment of the Jacobin Convent and imagine their own journey within the confines of this building. The listeners listen to a composition in headphones mixed in binaural (360-degree restitution) mixing the soundscapes of the Convent of the Jacobins, everyday sounds of a modern Dominican convent (reminiscence of the past of the place) and extracts from testimonies of users of the Convent Jacobins recounting their sound experiences of the place. The idea of this theme is not to talk about the sound but rather to get the characters to tell sensitive anecdotes creating strong mental images. Using different stereo microphones installed on the site, I start my performance with the current atmosphere of the place. I then transform it using acousmatic processes and suggest entering a more dreamlike dimension. At the end of my performance, I gradually return to the atmospheres captured by my microphones. The public takes several minutes to return to reality. This creates confusion between the present and the universe in which he moved during the composition. This installation gave rise thereafter to the creation "A quest", cited below, which had a nice international success in 2017 and 2018. This piece was also performed live on an octophonic system in the cloister of Convent of the Jacobins. **Keywords: in situ sound capture performance systems, sensitive interview technique, confusion between evocations of the past and sounds of the present.**

- **« Une quête », « A quest », (RTBF, fonds Gulliver) (Prix Phonurgia 2017, Médaille d'argent Nyork Radio Award 2018, nomination Prix Europa 2017) :**
<https://soundcloud.com/phonurgia-nova/benoit-bories-une-quete>

A documentary sound art creation where concrete soundscapes of a modern convent of Dominican brothers resonate with an acousmatic musical composition made of the empty resonances of the Convent of the Jacobins, historic place of the Dominican order transformed into a museum.

- **« Un temps de cochon », « Pig's weather » (RTS, fonds Gulliver) (Prix Ondas Barcelone 2019, 2ème prix catégorie binaural Grand Prix Nova Roumanie 2019, finaliste Nyork Radio Award 2019, nomination Prix Italia 2019) :** https://soundcloud.com/user-5467806/un-temps-de-cochon-binaural?fbclid=IwAR3--Q-2WGMGaKk4I9QHq69z9QMLcPQXGYoZqz-gXI8rxM_05Wtk1YKDp9M

A documentary sound creation where stories of the flight during the Retirada of five former Spanish refugees mingle with living sequences from their current struggle to perpetuate the place of memory of their former French concentration camp threatened by an industrial pigsty project.

- **« Gateway », production Faïdos Sonore/Bogong Center for Sound Culture with the support of French Institute, French Alliance, 2017.** <https://soundcloud.com/naisa/benoit-bories-gateway>

I was hosted in residence at the Bogong Center for Sound Culture in Melbourne to create a sound creation presented at the Super Field festival at the RMIT Design Hub in Melbourne in December

2017. "Gateway" is a composition that has been woven around small stories recounting the links of the natives with their environment, during the various important phases of life in the region. "Gateway" proposes in its own way to make these changes audible. During this realization, I continued to deepen my sensitive interview techniques and developed a sound mapping formalism of the places crossed. From these maps, lists of soundscapes have emerged to allow me to create a musicalisation of the piece in connection with the soundscapes concerned by the stories. "Gateway" was broadcast for the first time at the RMIT Design Hub with a system of 64 speakers offering the possibility of working on the effects of the verticality of the sound field. It was subsequently played on simple octophonic systems (Jardins du Muséum de Toulouse, Ottawa, Glasgow Radiophrenia Festival, Soundscapes festival Malmö) **Keywords : sound maps to create a coherent musicalization, spatialization with verticality effects of the sound field.**

- « Cinémas en liberté », « Free cinemas », production Faïdos Sonore/Director »s Fortnight Cannes , 2018. <https://www.quinzaine-realistes.com/quinzaine50/>
https://faidosonore.net/sons/notes/Sequence_50_ANS_quinzaine_AVEC_GENERIQUE.mp4

The Directors' Fortnight, to celebrate its 50th anniversary, asked me to create a sound work intended to be presented live during its first year of existence. I then went to meet the directors still alive selected in 1969. Using my interview techniques and my sound maps, I proposed the creation "Cinémas en liberté". It was played on an octophony system in the Fortnight hall with a large audience gauge (around 1200 people) with synchronized text animation for English translations. **Keywords : live mixing for a room with a large gauge, synchronization of graphics with sound.**

- « Kilfinane heart songs », production Hearsay Audio Awards/Faïdos Sonore, 2019. <https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/kilfinane-heart-songs>

Documentary sound art creation presented in the form of an octophonic live concert. I lived for two weeks in the village community of Kilfinane in the middle of winter. I composed "Kilfinane heart songs" as a tribute to the community life of the village. I also used the sound confrontation of difficult climatological elements with the sweetness of living community moments. This experience allowed me to acquire skills concerning different acousmatic operating modes to use all the musical potentialities of a sound material, in this case the wind. **Keywords :create virtual electroacoustic instruments from a sound material linked to a place.**

- « Au-delà des murs », « Beyond the walls », 2022, Municipality of Toulouse, RTS, Studio Éole. http://faidosonore.net/sons/notes/Intro_Au_dela_des_murs.wav

This documentary sound art creation focuses on the contemporary social history of Lagrave Hospital. From an acousmatic composition made of the sounds of this empty historic building, testimonies of its contemporary history appear. This creation is scheduled to be released in performative form in September 2021 in the dome of Lagrave. An octophonic broadcast system, eight speakers surrounding the audience, augmented by eight other speakers along the columns of the dome to provide vertical sound field effects. Each viewer also has an open headset broadcasting a signal in binaural stereo (stereo with the feeling of listening to 3D headphones). This stereo signal diffuses the sounds of the composition which must not pass through the natural reverberation of the dome: narrative voices, certain percussive patterns in the composition. It is a system to be adapted for the gauge of a single representation.

- « **Prendre soin** », production 2020, RTS, Studio Éole.

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/prendre-soin>

We follow seven people from a group of teenagers and young adults with disabilities within the Jean Lagarde establishment. They work, under the direction of Benoit Bories, on the production of a documentary sound performance around relationships social actions, gestures of mutual aid that they have developed to overcome their situations of physical handicap collectively. "Take care" offers a sound writing where the listener is taken outside the acoustic space of the creative workshop to enter the intimacy and collective life of seven young people with disabilities and understand a sociability that is clean, made of gestures of solidarity and strong empathy. "Take Care" is made up of daily music of learning to care for each other while respecting each other's timelines. **Specificities of the performance: virtual instruments linked to the daily gestures of the characters, acousmatic composition developed from the sounds of the movements of the young people.**

- « **La foresta dei violini** », production 2020, RSI, with the support of Val Di Fiemme Tourism Agency (New-York Radio Awards 2021 1st Prize Best Sound, 3rd Prize Music Documentary, Premios Ondas Barcelona 2021, Nomination IDA Awards Los Angeles 2021) <https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/la-foresta-dei-violini>

La foresta dei violini, produced by Faïdos Sonore and the Italian-language Radio Télévision Suisse (RSI). Concert versions in 8.1 and podcast. The Val di Fiemme has been known for its violin wood since the 16th century. Its inhabitants have developed a special relationship with the forest. This creation will be the subject of a residency at the Spatial Sound Institute in Budapest in October 2021 for an extension of its spatialization on a 16.1 system, in order to work on sensations of verticality. **Specifics of the performance: composition elaborated on the distinction of four sound zones of the Val di Fiemme: silence, forest, mountain pastures and the mineral world. Work was also done on woodworking with a long time of recordings in the sawmill.**

- « **Lettre à Irma** », production 2020, production RTS Le Labo. (2nd Prize Grand Prix Nova Romania 2020) <https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/lettre-a-irma>

This piece was written and composed with four hands with Aurélien Caillaux and won the 2nd Grand Prix Nova in Romania in 2020. It is a sound stroll through the empty streets of Toulouse during the first confinement. The composition is made of the musicality obtained from the sound materials captured during our night marauding for a month. two students whose adult build has been stalled by the COVID crisis and the closure of universities.

Specificities of the performance: evolutionary composition made of successive transformations of fragile sound elements, introduction of compositions such as electronica ambient from certain real sound materials.

- « **Bouilleur de crû** » et « **Les gardiennes du temple** », productions automne 2021 et automne 2022, production RTS Le Labo, Théâtre des Quatre Saisons, SMAC Le Florida et Centre d'art La Cuisine.

These two pieces mark a turning point in the production of my sound pieces. I now work in collaboration with a radio producer and at the same time with producers from the performing arts, museography and current music scenes. These two pieces, in addition to a classic octophonic spatialization, are spatialized in situ in relation to their places of diffusion. I introduced additional sound sources not visible to the public which allowed me to resonate certain sounds with the building. The introduction of these new sound sources is intended to give the listener the impression

of bringing out the memory of the stones, of the buildings of the place. There is a question of staging in the switching on and off of these additional sound sources. For these performances, I worked with objects, connected to my live session and linked to the narration of the piece, to trigger certain sounds.

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/bouilleur-de-cru>

<https://www.telerama.fr/radio/bouilleur-de-cru-un-grisant-podcast-au-fil-de-l-eau-de-vie-7007545.php>

<https://soundcloud.com/user-945903241/les-gardiennes-du-temple>

<https://www.le-florida.org/galerie/les-gardiennes-du-temple/>

Specificities of the performance: in situ spatialization 14.2, use of connected objects incorporated into a staging, staging of spatialization.

What makes my « sound print »

I am sharing with you two extracts from my artistic file on the sound creation “Un temps de cochon”. The first is a text written as a preamble to "Un temps de cochon", “Pig’s weather”. I wanted to describe my documentary approach and the development of a universal sound language of exile. The second concerns the sound writing elements of this same project. It gives an overview of the different materials making up my "sound print".

The look of the documentary filmmaker "Making the intimate resound and universalizing it to propose the common"

We do not build a documentary narrative on a fact, even a significant one, but by telling unique journeys that can have universal value. Create a work where each spectator can proactively appropriate the form and content to feed their own journey. During the production of "A Pig Time", I accompanied my five main characters (Floréal, Joaquim, Mercedes, Juan and Luis) over a period of approximately six months. Their personal stories, often surrounded by a halo of modesty, were gradually revealed. "Our fathers, defeated in foreign lands, are silent," José told me so well. It was necessary to break the moments of shame experienced by young refugee sons and daughters at school, during the first contacts with the administration or with the world of work, to finally manage to free speech. I have come back often. Save, but not only. Sometimes I put my recorder down and help Juan do the earthwork. We do a little gardening during an afternoon with Floréal. We spend moments of life together and we bring out buried, hidden memory layers. The word exhume takes on its full meaning here. We are already starting to reach more transverse resonances. The origin of the belligerents is no longer important: they could just as easily be Kurds, Syrians, Italians, Mexicans, in short citizens of the world. The era also becomes secondary, the universality of the narration creates a timelessness of the documentary work.

After this first layer of memory unearthed, there were other strata that appeared, freed from the weight of the previous ones. Unexpected, sudden, stories of breakage, of broken family ties that each character tends to put together as best he can. Floréal has the timbre of his voice which suddenly changes when he tells me about the indelible mark, a makeshift tattoo, left to him by a father he has never seen. Like Mercedes or Luis, Floréal discovered part of his family in Spain, roots left underground, some seventy years later. Character traits that have appeared over time spent with them make sense to me by understanding their discovered family origins. Mercedes loves to sing, the trace of a music-loving uncle lost early in his life, who went mad during the Spanish War. Floréal now has an image, that of his father, to understand his own. Luis discovered a sister at sixty and features in common with her. It's now the administrative boundary that becomes obsolete with the universality of personal stories. Through patient work with my characters to raise memory layers, I tried to take on the challenge of offering a common sharing of this notion of exile. Understand the other knowing that we all carry within us broken pieces of our life paths. And thus appropriating stories to make them ours in relation to our own experiences.

"Pig's weather" was born out of this desire. It is the proposal of a work written as the sound transcription of a universal language around exile. The border that creates a break between beings can be represented by a door step, a sudden decision to change one's life. It is no longer linked to a geographical distance and can concern everyone. "We are all passers-by" would I want "Pig's weather" to whisper to the listeners.

Let us talk about sound writing ...

The place of the characters / the voice in the sound writing process / Construction of the narration

I took long time with each of the four characters (José, Juan, Joaquim and Floréal) to record interviews in naked voices. Three of them are direct witnesses while José can only relate his uncle's experience. This life story is important because it expresses José's emotional attachment to the preservation of the Septfonds concentration camp site. José is the generation that follows the other three characters. It is the continuity of a story that is transmitted. So I'm going to question José a lot about memory issues and the importance of words like "concentration" that tend to have been forgotten from official history books.

Floréal, Juan and Joaquim have journeys that complement each other in terms of storytelling. Floréal lived away from a young child with a father whom he never saw again and almost never knew. Juan has memories of his imprisoned father. Joaquim is the only one to have been locked up in Septfonds. All three have different trajectories that can offer a rich but not exhaustive account of Spanish history in France in the late thirties: arrival in France, welcoming refugees, integration of Spaniards in society Quercy. Each begins their story by telling their respective arrival in France. Subsequently, their words were mixed in a "thematic" sound writing giving the impression of a discussion with three.

I flee the didactic speeches and the stories where we feel the person listen to himself speak. They tend to distance the listener from what is being discussed. My interview technique is simple. We are talking about sound writing, so why not talk about sounds and specifically "sound memories". The idea is not so much to give an audio description of a memory or an anecdote - few people spontaneously speak the language of sound in fact - but rather to immerse the interviewee in an intimate story telling process. Trying to remember the sounds, or rather the sensations, she will then

develop a story where she is experiencing the past situation. The voice, its timbre, change and there is no longer any height compared to what is mentioned.

The principles of a sound writing where the sounds of the present play with the evocations of the past

Interstitial moments

Sound writing feeds on a game of association of ideas: what are the atmospheres, the living scenes that can resonate with what is said? I am very careful to document interstitial moments. They often say a lot about a personality and the relationship that the author can have with the men and women he has followed for a long time. It is a way to go beyond what can be said. Sound has this force when used as a material to sculpt and spatialize. We enter the domains of the suggested and the sensitive, as Kaye Mortley calls it "poetic documentary". I thus systematically recorded my arrival and departure times at the filming locations. They provide information on the current situation of my characters and bring certain touches of self-mockery or tenderness. I often force the line, make the nice boy or the naive. This allows my characters to bounce back and start very spontaneous recording moments.

Sound work on several layers to link memory and current situations

In memorial subjects, it is important to make the link with the present. What are the reminiscences of what we are talking about in the current situation? The physical properties of sound are interesting when playing with its dynamics. Working on several planes allows you to confront different scenes, atmospheres with what the voices tell. In "Un temps de cochon", it is no longer possible to access the premises. The evocation of memories is the only possibility to maintain the existence of what happened. It is therefore important to make the transformation heard. I suggested to my characters that they tour the old site of the Septfonds concentration camp with me. Incorporating at times in a montage layer the sounds of these walks is a way to suggest attentive listening to the listener and to give him elements to analyze the evolution and understand all the nuances of a complex present situation.

Acousmatic elements to twist the landscape and create a time machine

The acousmatic composition helps to weave a concrete musical composition while symbolically linked to the narrative framework. Based on the extracts from selected stories, I then create a partitioning of several sounds related to the narration. It is a proposal for sound mapping of the story. The musicality of the composition is no longer an added piece that creates artificial feelings but makes common sense with what is said. Using the acoustics also has the advantage of slightly modifying the soundscapes. It is an interesting effect to use when using memory. The real seems to twist under the effect of a machine and the sensation of time travel projects the listener into what is said.

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