

## Sensual curved forms

Maritta Winter was born in Germany and after living for a long time in France, she now lives and works between Switzerland and Germany. Her sculptures of dynamically curved forms display a sensuality of movement and have a bold, vital presence.

Maritta has exhibited internationally and among others, her sculpture “Skydream” stands in the reception area of the Prime Tower in Zürich (CH), her work “Léarc” stands in front of the contemporary Cultural Center of Héringue (F).

For Personal Structures the artworks selected are „Skydream“ and „Douceur“ (softness). „Douceur“ (exhibited in Giardini Marinaressa) is a grounded version; its height of 220 cm has something of a tree or a mother on which one can lean. „Skydream“ (exhibited in Palazzo Mora), conceived for the lobby of Prime Tower in Zürich, is elegant, airy and lithe. Both soft curved sculptures in lively volume vibrate upwards.

Inspiration for my work I achieve through intuitive sense for growth, architecture and movement.

What does one feel experiencing a construction or nature or one’s own movement, for example in dance ? Here for me begins creation. Remembrance of these impressions flow into my shaping sculptures. It feels like the shapes find me. This has to do with feeling — instinctually perceiving volumes, edges and transitions between shapes.

It is the combination of movement and architectonic forms in my sculptures that has led many of them to be displayed in public squares and buildings.

Dance and music are very important for me. Especially spontaneous dance and contact improvisation inspire me. In subtle dialogue with music, body and space I shape virtual space and forms. My dance movements metamorphise in artwork giving them lightness and power.

Twenty years’ interaction with built space was very formative for me as well. In effect on inhabitants I recognize parallels to the effect of a sculpture on its beholder. Which form, which color, which surface quality ?

Everything radiates and thus has effect.



Skydream



Douceur



“Douceur” in Giardini della Marinaressa - 220 cm high – aluminium lacquered – Edition/8



Examples of other Works of the artist:



"Archi1" Bronze 160 cm Edition 1/6



"Douceur2" Aluminium Ed/8



"Skydream" Aluminium Ed/8



"Aufschwung" Bronze Ed/6



"Archi1" Bronze Ed/6