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During this time he developed a strong love for drawing and sculpture and continued his art work without any formal education. After finishing his secondary school studies in classics in Cagliari, he returned to Milan to attend university.

In 1995 he was awarded his degree in Modern literature at the University of Milan with a graduation thesis on Art criticism.

Encouraged by friends, in 2001 he organised and financed his first solo exhibition renting private exhibition space in the centre of Milan. Only 18 months later he held his first "official" exhibition in a gallery in Brera, Milan, and after a few months he held a solo show in Brussels.

Today his works are on permanent display in galleries in Italy and major cities throughout the world: New York, Rome, Hong Kong, London, Antwerp, Lugano and have been shown at some of the most important Italian and international art fairs such as the Hong Kong Art Fair (Hong Kong), ArtFirst (Bologna), Arco (Madrid), and Fiac (Paris).

In recent years his pieces have been sold with considerable success at some of the world's most prestigious fine art auction houses (Christie's, Sotheby's, Bonham's, and Dorotheum).

Matteo Pugliese is married with one daughter.

EXHIBITIONS

Vortici - Solo Exhibition May 20th – July 2nd 2017 Villa Fiorentino, Sorrento

Spiriti Ostinati - Solo Exhibition Milano Malpensa Airport (Terminal 1: Arrivals) "La porta di Milano" In collaboration with Imago Art Gallery and SEA spa 15 December 2016 – 30 March 2017

Spiriti Ostinati Solo Exhibition IMAGO ART GALLERY LUGANO, Switzerland October 20th 2016 – February 28th 2017

The Secret Solo Exhibition
WM GALLERY I
Wolstraat 45, 2000 Antwerpen
WM Gallery II
Minderbroedersrui 74, 2000 Antwerpen
November 19th – December 30th 2016

Spiriti Ostinati Solo Exhibition FONDAZIONE LA VERSILIANA, MARINA DI PIETRASANTA, ITALY Organized by Imago Art Gallery Lugano June 4th – Spetember 15th 2016

Extra Moenia Solo Exhibition ROBILANT VOENA GALLERY, Saint Moritz, Swiss (in collaboration with Imago Art Gallery) March 5th – March 26th 2016

Breath of Freedom Solo Exhibition BERTRAND DELACROIX GALLERY, New York 2015

Delphine Boël, Octave Landuyt, Matteo Pugliese Collective Exhibition WM GALLERY, Antwerp, Belgium 2015

Gravitas Barbara Nati, Matteo Pugliese CASA D'ARTE ARTRIBÙ, Roma 2014

Serenissima Babel Solo Exhibition CAFFÈ FLORIAN, piazza San Marco, Venezia 2014

Passaggi Solo Exhibition IMAGO ART GALLERY, Lugano, Switzerland 2013

Corazze Solo Exhibition FONDAZIONE MUDIMA, Milan 2013

Presentazione della scultura in bronzo "Custode Samurai V" presso il MAS Solo Exhibition MUSEUM ON THE RIVER, Antwerp, Belgium 2012-2013

MATTEO PUGLIESE: SCULPTURES Solo Exhibition WO-MEN IN FINE ART, Antwerp Belgium 2012

The summer of the Beetle Solo Exhibition GALERIE NOORDEINDE, The Hague, Holland 2012

Matteo Pugliese-CORAZZE Solo Exhibition CASA D'ARTE ARTRIBÙ (CATALOGUE), Rome, Italy 2011

I Guardiani del Tempo Solo Exhibition

IMAGO ART GALLERY, Lugano, Switzerland 2011

Matteo Pugliese: Out of the Wall Solo Exhibition SCULPTURE GALLERY, Brussels, Belgium 2011

Matteo Pugliese – From the wall and further tales Solo Exhibition KWAI FUNG HIN ART GALLERY, Hong Kong. 2010

La profondità nel segno: Demetz, Galliani, Pugliese Collective Exhibition CASA D'ARTE ARTRIBÙ, Rome, Italy 2010

HEROES: Matteo Pugliese Solo Exhibition GALERIE NOORDEINDE, The Hague, Holland 2010

Sublimazioni, Demetz, Ottieri, Pugliese Collective Exhibition CASA D'ARTE ARTRIBÙ, Rome, Italy 2009

Through Light and Space: Giorgio Morandi & Matteo Pugliese Collective Exhibition IMAGO ART GALLERY, London, UK 2009

Matteo Pugliese e Walter Trecchi Collective Exhibition GALERIE NOORDEINDE, The Hague, Holland 2008

Matteo Pugliese, Sculptures Solo Exhibition FILIP KESTELOOT SCULPTURE GALLERY, Brussels , Belgium 2007

Matteo Pugliese & Martin Palottini Collective Exhibition GALERIE NOORDEINDE, The Hague, Holland 2007

Extra Moenia Collective Exhibition TEATRO LIRICO DI CAGLIARI, Cagliari, Italy 2006

Contraria-mente Solo Exhibition GALLERIA GAGLIARDI, San Gimignano (Siena), Italy 2006

Matteo Pugliese Solo Exhibition

GALLERIA PITTURA ITALIANA, Milano, Italy 2006

De Ontsnapping: M.Pugliese, A. Smirnof, Sokia, Collective Exhibition GALERIE NOORDEINDE, The Hague, Holland 2006 Matteo Pugliese- Sculptures Solo Exhibition PALAZZO COMUNALE DI SAN LORENZO AL MARE, (IM), Italy 2005

Extra Moenia Solo Exhibition GALLERIA GAGLIARDI, Taormina (Messina), Italy 2005

Matteo Pugliese & M.M. Gautier Collective Exhibition FILIP KESTELOOT "SCULPTURE GALLERY", Brussels , Belgium 2004

Freedom Solo Exhibition GALLERIA GAGLIARDI, San Gimignano (Siena), Italy 2004

Flight from the wall Solo Exhibition
FILIP KESTELOOT "SCULPTURE GALLERY, Brussels, Belgium (catalogue)
2004

Matteo Pugliese, sculture: 1998-2003 Solo Exhibition GALLERIA "IL CASTELLO", Milan, Italy (catalogue) 2003

Matteo Pugliese- Sculptures Solo Exhibition OREA MALIÀ, Milan, Italy (catalogue) 2002

Extra Moenia, Matteo Pugliese Solo Exhibition MCCANN-ERICKSON, Milan, Italy 2001

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