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1. Without Title [Carbon Removal], 1992 Carbon paper, 6½ x 5½ inches Collection of The Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, Hawaii



2. Without Title [Carbon Removal], 1992 Carbon paper, 6½ x 5½ inches Collection of the estate of John Cage



3. Without Title [Carbon Removal], 1992 Carbon paper,  $6\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$  inches Collection of Edward Albee, New York



4. Without Title [Carbon Removal], 1981 Carbon paper, 47/8 x 41/8 inches Collection of the artist



9. Last Year's Leaves [Carbon Removal], 1981 Carbon paper, 6½ x 5½ inches Collection of the artist

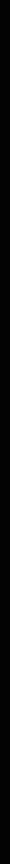
#### CARBON REMOVALS

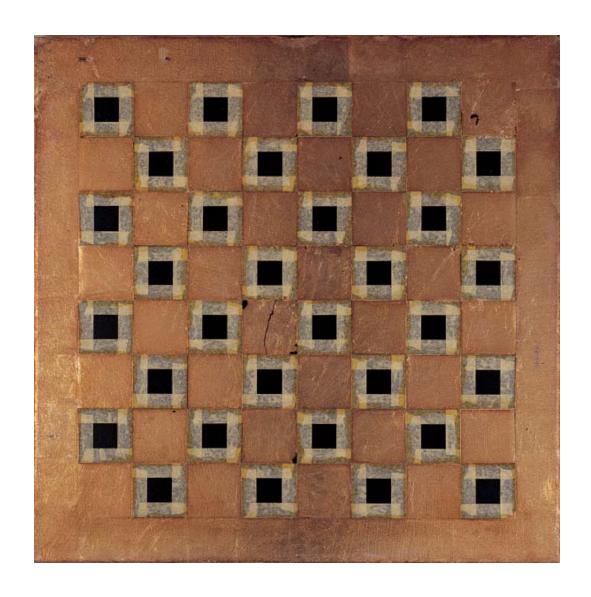
#### PETER FRANK

Working with only carbon paper, Bradshaw has created a series of irresistibly intimate and deliciously textured works that marry the frottage of Max Ernst to the photo-grams of Man Ray and Christian Schad—with Kurt Schwitters and Anne Ryan officiating at the wedding. Of course, none of these modernist masters of collage techniques created a body of work rendered entirely in carbon such as Bradshaw exhibited, but her formal reasoning recalls theirs, and the pocket-size dimensions match the small scale of many works by Ryan and Schwitters especially. The peculiarities of carbon as a registering medium inspire Bradshaw and inform her original approach. So fragile and unstable that it retains its own barest crinkle and picks up every vein in the items on which it has been rubbed, the carbon records both temporal and physical incident with the same dogged faithfulness. Even as the carbon rubs off, the surfaces become layered with incident upon incident, the ghostly images of watch springs, cigarette wrappers and pieces of scotch tape floating under, over or through the incidental graffiti, the delicate filigrees of accidental or deliberate pleating and the luminous halations of partly eroded areas. Studying Bradshaw's carbons is like studying amber in which the translucent, partly decomposed bodies of ancient insects obscure one another. There is no archeological interest to Bradshaw's imagery, of course-and in this shadowy medium there is not of the prosaic quality that distinguished Schwitters' bank receipts and tram tickets either. All that remains is the visual "feel" of things—and the temptation to guess at what those things might have been. Even that temptation falls away as the mystery and silky tenderness of these tiny works—are they drawings, or collages? heighten with extended scrutiny.



5. Indeterminacy/Riverstone, 1991, self-published; dedicated to John Cage, five unique books, Equinox, Equivalents, Contingency, Removal
Eight pages, a hand sewn binding, each page a frottage of a sedimentary stone from a river bottom
Graphite on abaca paper, open: 171/8 x 44 inches; cover Japanese Kozu paper





6. Sieve, 1991 Silver, tape, varnish, gesso on linen,  $36\frac{1}{2}$  x  $36\frac{1}{2}$  inches Collection of the artist



 $7. \ \textit{Full,} \ 1990$  Pigment, varnish on linen,  $32 \times 24$  inches Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Feinstein, New York



9. A Man Lost In A Desert Always Turns Right, 1990 Titanium dioxide, zinc sulfate, varnish on linen,  $30 \times 30$  inches Collection of the artist



10. Boundary, 1991 Titanium dioxide, varnish on linen 62 ½ x 16 ½ inches Collection of Dr. Valerie Golden, New York



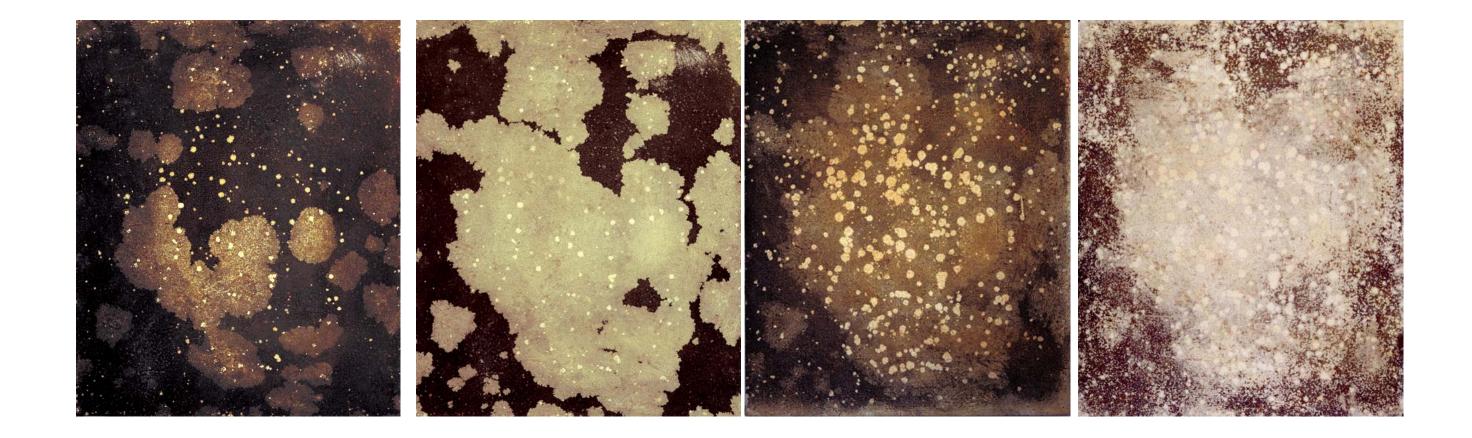
 $11. \ \ \, Screen \ I, 1991$  Gesso on linen over wood, 7 ½ x 7 ½ inches Donation to the Foundation for Performance Arts, New York



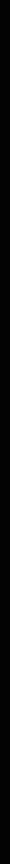
12. Wet Drea m, 2006 Oil, plaster, jade glue, gesso on linen over wood, 3 ½ x 3 ½ inches Collection of Merrill Wagner and Robert Ryman, New York

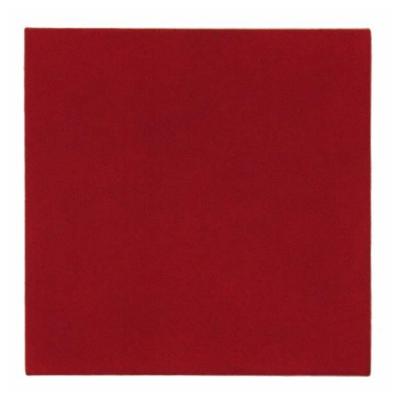


13. *Without Title*, 2003/2010 Oil, pigment, varnish on linen, 17 x 14 inches Collection of the artist



12. *Inconsistency*, 1993
Photographed once a month for two years: August, October, December, 1993, January, 1994
Zinc sulfate, oil, varnish on linen, 17 x 14 inches
Collection of the artist





13. Full, 1991 Pigment, varnish, gesso on linen, 7 ½ x 7 ½ inches Collection of Jerry Spanoli, New York



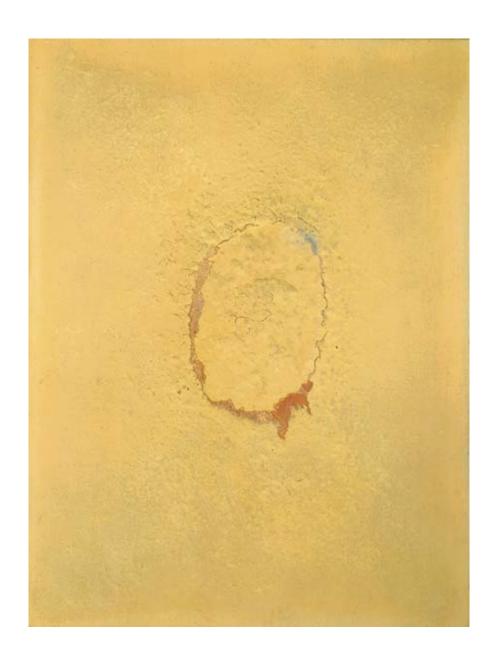
14. *Guilty Marks [Peacock]*, 1993
Oil, pigment, ink, ink remover, liver of sulfur, ammonium chloride copper sulfate, varnish, gesso on linen, 32 x 24 inches
Collection of the artist



15. Guilty Marks, 1991 Pigment, ink, ink remover, liver of sulfur, varnish, gesso on linen,  $32 \times 24$  inches Collection of the artist



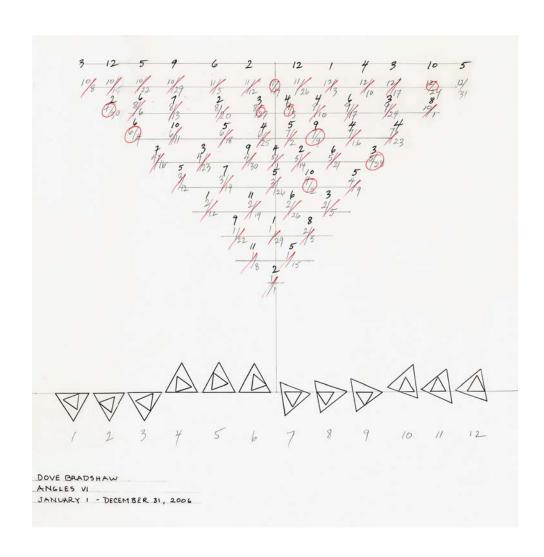
 $16. \ \ \textit{S}, 1997$  Sulfur, varnish on canvas, 91  $\frac{1}{4}$  x 76 inches Collection of the artist



17. S, 1996 Sulfur, varnish on canvas, 91 ½ x 76 inches Collection of DDS Barry and Cheryl Goldenberg, New York

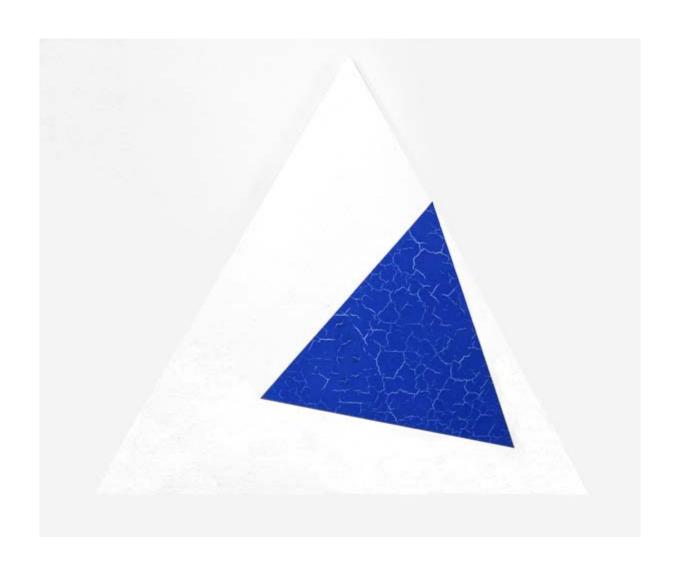


18. *Guilty Marks*, 1999 Varnish, pigment, liver of sulfur, carpenter's glue on linen, 34 x 26 inches Collection of the artist



19. Angles VI, 2006 Score for rotations, pencil on paper, 10% x 10% inches Collection of Robert Gordon, New York



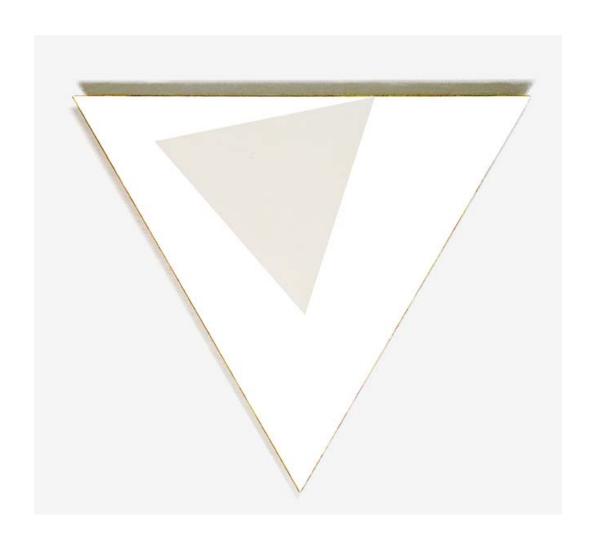


21. *AnglesVIII* [*Lisbon*], 2003
Oil, cold wax medium on linen, 21¼ inches each side Collection of the artist





23. *Angles V* [From *Angles 12 Rotations*], 2003 Gesso, graphite on linen over wood, 21 ¼ inches each side Collection of the artist



24. *Angles VI [* From *Angles 12 Rotations]*, 2003 Oil, cold wax medium , plaster on linen, 21¼ inches each side Collection of Luciana and Emanuel de Melo Pimenta, Lisbon



25. *Angles* [*Lemon*], 2004 Oil, cold wax medium on linen, 21¼ inches each side Collection of the artist

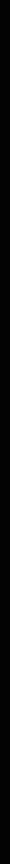
### ANGLES 12 ROTATIONS

## EDWARD J SOZANSKI

No ambiguity attends Bradshaw's new paintings, a series of 12 mostly white-on-white panels in which one equilateral triangle nestles inside another. The paintings are presented as an ensemble, arranged, along an artificial horizon so that one edge in each painting lines up with that horizon.

Bradshaw's formula for these works is a bit more involved than that [there are twelve different positions in which one side of the inner or outer triangle is level with the horizon]. Suffice to say that subtle differences in surface textures and hues, and the permutations of how the paintings are placed on the "horizon," make Angles, as the series is called, an intriguing demonstration of rational composition.







27. Quick Construction III, 2006 Titanium dioxide, silver, liver of sulfur, varnish, beeswax on paper, 25 x 19 ½ inches Collection of the artist



 $28. \ \textit{Quick Constructions With Umber II}, 2009$  Pigment, silver, liver of sulfur, tape, varnish, beeswax on paper, 24 ¼ x 19 ¼ inches Collection of the artist



29. *Quick Construction with Yellow I,* 2008 Meproof yellow, silver, liver of sulfur, tape, varnish, beeswax on paper,  $25 \times 19 \frac{1}{2}$  inches Collection of the artist



30. Quick Construction VI, 2008 Titanium dioxide, silver, liver of sulfur, tape, varnish, beeswax on paper, 25 x 19  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches Collection of the artist



31. *Quick Construction VII*, 2008 Titanium dioxide, silver, liver of sulfur, tape, varnish, beeswax on paper;  $25 \times 19 \frac{1}{2}$  inches Collection of the artist



32. Quick Construction Umber 1, 2010 Burnt umber, silver, liver of sulfur, tape, varnish, beeswax on linen,  $40 \times 30$  inches Collection of the artist



33. *Quick Construction Angle I*, 2009 Silver, liver of sulfur, varnish, tape, beeswax on linen over wood, 21¼ inches each side Collection of the artist



 $34. \ \ Quick\ Construction\ With\ Wings,\ 2009$  Titanium dioxide, silver, liver of sulfur, varnish, beeswax on paper, 25 x 19 ½ inches Collection of the artist



35. *Quick Construction [City Detritus]*, 2009 Titanium dioxide, silver, liver of sulfur, varnish, beeswax on paper, 25 x 19  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches Collection of The Esbjerg Museum of Modern Art, Esbjerg, Denmark



36. Quick Construction [Horizontal Bands], 2010 Pigment, silver, liver of sulfur, varnish, beeswax on linen,  $40 \times 30$  inches Collection of the artist

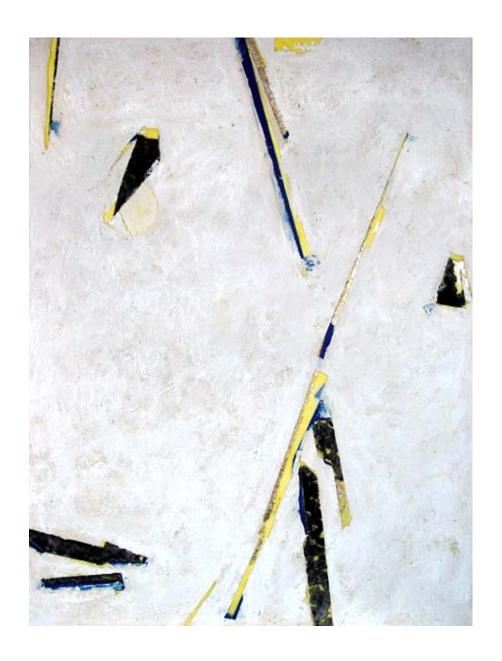
Bradshaw's *Quick Constructions* are created by tossing cut paper templates on paper brushed with beeswax.

Edith Newhall *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, 2008

Most intriguing, they are works n paper in a series ironically called *Quick Constructions*. In fact they employ a laborious technique, but their beginnings with pieces assembled at random recalls not only Cage but Duchamp, in works such as *Three Standard Stoppages* (1913-14) which was generated by dropping three one-meter lengths of thread from a height of one meter.

Roberta Fallon fallonandrosof.blogspot.com





38. *Quick Construction: African Mask*, 2009
Oil, silver, liver of sulfur, tape, varnish, beeswax on linen 40 x 30 inches; collection of the artist



39. *Quick Construction: Balance Beam*, 2009 Oil, silver, liver of sulfur, varnish, beeswax on linen  $40 \times 30$  inches; collection of the artist

# **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

#### 2008

Radio Rocks, Limited-edition portfolio, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Time Matters, catalogue, Pierre Menard Gallery, Cambridge, Massachusetts

#### 2007

Time & Material, catalogue, Senzatitolo, Rome Constructions, Zero Space, Zero Time, Infinite Heat, under the auspices of the SPIRIT OF DISCOVERY 2, Facto Foundation for the Arts, Sciences and Technology - Observatory, Ingreja do Convento de Santo António, Trancoso, Portugal Contingency, Björn Ressle Gallery, New York

#### 2006

Six Continents, catalogue, "Trace of Mind," 6th Gwangju Biennale, Gwangju, South Korea The Way, Gallery 360°, Tokyo

Radio Rocks, permanent installation commissioned by the Baronessa Lucrezia Durini for the town of Bolognano, Italy Time & Material, catalogue, SPIRIT OF DISCOVERY 1, Ingreja do Convento de Santo António, Trancoso, Portugal

Time & Material, catalogue, SPIRIT OF DISCOVERY 1, Ingreja do Convento de Santo António, Trancoso, Portugal

#### 2005

Six Continents, Contingency and Body Works, SolwayJones Gallery, Los Angeles
Six Continents, [second room: Angles 12 Rotations], Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia

## 2004

Dove Bradshaw: Nature, Change and Indeterminacy, Limited Edition Book, Editions and Sculptures, Volume Gallery, New York

#### 2003

Dove Bradshaw: Formformlessness 1969-2003, book and Limited Box Edition, curator: Sandra Kraskin, mid-career exhibition, The Sidney Mishkin Gallery, Baruch College, City University of New York Angles, Diferenca Gallery, Lisbon

#### 2001

Waterstones, Stark Gallery, New York *Elements*, Stalke Gallery, Copenhagen

#### 2000

Waterstones, curators: Heidi and Larry Becker, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia

#### 1999

Negative Ions I, Indeterminacy [film] and 2√0, curator: Michael Olijnyk, Mattress Factory Museum, Pittsburgh

Guilty Marks, Stalke Gallery, Copenhagen

#### 1998

Dove Bradshaw, catalogue, curator: Julie Lazar, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles Irrational Numbers, catalogue, Sandra Gering, New York Irrational Numbers, Linda Kirkland Gallery, New York

#### 1997

'S' Paintings and Indeterminacy, Barbara Krakow Gallery, Boston

#### 1996

Contingency, catalogue, Stalke Gallery, Copenhagen

#### 1995

Indeterminacy, catalogue, Sandra Gering Gallery, New York
Indeterminacy, catalogue, curator: Neil Firth, Pier Center, Orkney, Scotland

#### 1993

Contingency, book, Sandra Gering Gallery, New York

#### 1991

Full, Sandra Gering Gallery, New York

Plain Air, curators: Ryzsard Wasco and Zdenka Gabalova, PS1 Contemporary Art Center, Long Island City, New York

## 1990

Plain Air, curator: Michael Olijnyk, Mattress Factory Museum, Pittsburgh

#### 1989

Plain Air, Sandra Gering Gallery, New York Paintings on Vellum, Stalke Gallery, Copenhagen

#### 1988

Paintings on Vellum, inaugural exhibition Sandra Gering Gallery, New York

Dove Bradshaw, curator: Joan Blanchfield, Edith Barrett Art Gallery, Utica College, Syracuse University, Utica, New York

1986

Collages on Wood, curator: Susan Lorence and Bob Monk, Lorence Monk, New York

1984

Works 1969-1984, curator: Joan Blanchfield, Utica College, Syracuse University

1983

Last Year's Leaves, curator: Linda Mackler, Wave Hill, Bronx, New York

1982

Works on Paper, Ericson Gallery, New York

1981

Removals, Ericson Gallery, New York

1979

Mirror Drawings, curator: Terry Davis, Graham Modern, New York

1977

Slippers and Chairs, curator: Terry Davis, Graham Modern, New York

Chairs, curator: Bill Hart, Razor Gallery, New York

1975

Reliquaries and Chairs, curator: Bill Hart, Razor Gallery, New York

## ARTISTIC ADVISOR TO THE MERCE CUNNINGHAM DANCE COMPANY

Appointed with William Anastasi in 1984

Loosestrife, 1992, World première, Théâtre De La Ville, Paris. Music: Michael Pugliese; Design, Costumes and lighting: invited Carl Kielblock

Trackers, 1991, World première, City Center, New York. Music: Emanuel Dimas De Melo Pimenta; Design, Costumes and Lighting: Dove Bradshaw

Cargo X, 1989, World première, University of Texas, Austin, Texas. Music: Takehisa Kosugi; Design, Costumes and Lighting: Dove Bradshaw

*Inventions,* 1989, World première, City Center, New York, Music: John Cage; Design, Costumes and Lighting: invited Carl Kielblock

August Pace, 1989, World première, City Center, New York. Music: Michael Pugliese; Design, Costumes and Lighting: invited Sergei Bugaev (Afrika)

Events, 1989, Grand Central Station, New York. Music: David Tudor; Costumes: Dove Bradshaw

Carousal, 1987, World première, Jacob's Pillow, Lee, Massachusetts. Music: Takehisa Kosugi; Design, Costumes, and Lighting: Dove Bradshaw

Fabrications, 1987, World première, Northrup Auditorium, Minneapolis and revival for MCDC's 50th Anniversary, Lincoln Center, New York (one of four with one première).

Music: Emanuel Dimas De Melo Pimenta; Design, Costumes and Lighting: Dove Bradshaw

Points in Space, 1987, World première, City Center, New York and for the Opéra de Paris Garnier, Paris, commissioned by Artistic Director Rudolf Nureyev, June, 1993. Music: John Cage; Design: William Anastasi; Costumes: Bradshaw

Points in Space, 1986, BBC, London. video. Wins Prague d'Or [gold prize], at the 30th International Television Festival, 1987. Music: John Cage; Design: William Anastasi; Costumes: Dove Bradshaw

Events, 1985, Joyce Theater, New York. Costumes: Dove Bradshaw

Arcade, 1985, World première, City Center, New York and commissioned by the Pennsylvania Ballet, Academy for Music, Philadelphia. Music: John Cage; Design, Costumes and Lighting: Dove Bradshaw

Deli Commedia, 1985, Merce Cunningham Studio, New York. video. Music: Pat Richter; Costumes: Dove Bradshaw

Native Green, 1985, World première, City Center. Music: John King; Design, Costumes: William Anastasi; Lighting: Bradshaw

Phrases, 1984, World première, Théâtre Municipal d'Angers, Angers, France. Music: David Tudor; Design: William Anastasi; Costumes and Lighting: Bradshaw

#### BOOKS/CATALOGUES solo

*Time Matters*, essay by Charles Stuckey, Pierre Menard Gallery, Cambridge, MA, 2008 *Time & Material*, introduction by Massimo Arioli, essay by Charles Stuckey, Senzatitolo, Rome, 2007

The Art of Dove Bradshaw, Nature, Change and Indeterminacy, Thomas McEvilley; including republication of "John Cage and Thomas McEvilley: A Conversation, 1992," Mark Batty Publisher, West New York, New Jersey, 2003

Anastasi Bradshaw Cage, accompanying a three-person exhibition; "we are beginning to get nowhere" interview of William Anastasi and "Still Conversing with Cage" interview of Dove Bradshaw with Jacob Lillemose; Karl Aage Rasmussen, essay, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Roskilde, Denmark, 2001

Dove Bradshaw / Jan Henle, introduction by Julie Lazar, "Dove Bradshaw" by Mark Swed, afterword by Barbara Novak; "Jan Henle: Sculpture of No Thing" by Nancy Princenthal, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, 1998

Dove Bradshaw: Inconsistency, quotes from Tao Te Ching, Henry David Thoreau, John Cage, Franz Kafka selected by the artist, Sandra Gering Gallery, New York and Stalke Gallery, Copenhagen, 1998

Dove Bradshaw: Contingency and Indeterminacy [Film], selected quotes about the artist, Stalke Kunsthandel, Denmark, 1996

Dove Bradshaw: Living Metal, essay by Barry Schwabsky, Pier Gallery, Stromness, Orkney, Scotland, 1995

Dove Bradshaw: Indeterminacy, essay by Anne Morgan, Sandra Gering Gallery, New York and Stalke Kunsthandel, Copenhagen, 1995

Dove Bradshaw: Works 1969-1993, "John Cage and Thomas McEvilley: A Conversation," Sandra Gering Gallery, New York, 1993

#### **AWARDS**

National Science Foundation for Writers and Artists, Washington, DC, 2006, Collection of Antarctic salt

Furthermore Grant for *Dove Bradshaw: Nature Change and Indeterminacy, Mark Batty Publisher, LLP, West New York, New Jersey, 2003, Publication* 

The New York State Council on the Arts Grant for Merce Cunningham Dance, 1987, Design and Lighting

The Pollock Krasner Award, 1985, Painting

The Nation Endowment of the Arts Award, 1975, Sculpture

### WEB SITES

www.dovebradshaw.com

www.pierremenardgallery.com, Cambridge, Massachusetts

www. ressleart.com: BjÖrn Ressle Gallery, New York

www.artnet.com/lbecker.html: Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia

www.solwayjones.gallery.com: SolwayJones Gallery, Los Angeles

www.stalke.dk/stalke\_galleri/artist/artistinfo/98/\_dove\_bradshaw: Stalke Gallery, Copenhagen and Kirke Sonnerup, Denmark

www.asa-art.com/facto/program/2007/ED2/bradshaw/1.html: SPIRIT OF DISCOVERY 2, Constructions, Trancoso, Portugal

www.mattress.org: Mattress Factory Museum, Pittsburgh, 2√0 Edition, Ground, Negative Ions, Plain Air

http://newarttv.com/trailer/trailer.html: *Dove Bradshaw* (biographical film), New Art TV, NY www.sover.net/~rpress: Renaissance Press, New Hampshire, *Medium, Double Negative* www.artcyclopedia.com: links to art museum sites

www.toutfait.com: Marcel Duchamp website, Praying for Irreverence, Toutfait, New York

## RESIDENCIES

| 2008  | Niels Borch Jensen Printmaker, Copenhagen                                      |
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| 2007  | Pont-Aven School of Contemporary Art, France, teaching and resident artist     |
| 2005  | Niels Borch Jensen Printmaker, Copenhagen                                      |
| 2000- | Niels Borch Jensen Printmaker, Copenhagen                                      |
| 2001  | Statens Vaerksteder for Kunst and Handvaerark, Gammeldok, Copenhagen           |
|       | The Sirius Art Center, Cobh Ireland: inauguration sculpture court: Notation II |
| 1995  | The Pier Arts Center, Orkney, Scotland, accompanying an exhibition             |
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#### SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

The Museum of Modern Art, New York

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago

National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

The San Francisco Museum of Modern Art

The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles

The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

Brooklyn Museum of Art, Brooklyn, New York

The Getty Center, Malibu, California

Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh

Fogg Art Museum, Harvard University, Cambridge

Rubin Museum of Art, New York

Arkansas Arts Center, Arkansas

Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, Hawaii

The Mattress Factory Museum, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

The New School for Social Research, New York

Syracuse University Art Museum, Utica, New York

Bowdoin College Museum of Art, Brunswick, Maine

Fields Sculpture Park at Art OMI International Arts Center, Ghent, New York

Sony Capitol Corporation, New York

The British Museum, London

Kunstmuseum, Dusseldorf

Centre Pompidou, Paris

Moderna Museet, Stockholm

Muestra International De Arte Grafico, Bilbao, Spain

Ingreja do Convento de Santo António, Trancoso, Portugal

Museum of Contemporary Art, Roskilde, Denmark

The Esbjerg Museum of Modern Art, Esbjerg, Denmark

Pier Centre, Orkney, Scotland

Sirius Art Center, Cobh, Ireland

The State Russian Museum, Marble Palace, St. Petersberg, Russia

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Edward J. Sozanski text the Philadelphia Inquirer, Weekend Art/Museums and Art Galleries, July 1, 2005

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