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du quai Branly
- Jacques Chirac



The ANTHONY JP MEYER Scholarship & Grant

Thirty years ago, as a young art dealer I realized that there was little interest and few new texts on the Pacific arts. I had a dream - to create a museum or a foundation for Oceanic art. One of the most important aspects of this dream institution would have been to provide a scholarship to Pacific Island researchers and curators so they could come to France for a year and study the art of all Oceania in the collections in Europe. It was a dream – but utopian as many are.

Thirty years later the idea is still there - reduced in scale - but we have to start somewhere. For my sixtieth birthday - a moment when we realize that we have taken a lot of things from others and that it is time to give back a little, I asked my friends to help finance a grant for Oceanic Art studies instead of giving me a typical birthday gift. They responded well beyond expectations and the scholarship reached the sum of six thousand euros, equaling the scholarships previously distributed by the musée du quai Branly - Jacques Chirac and the Cercle Levi Strauss.

With the help of the Friends of the musée du quai Branly - Jacques Chirac, we arranged to house the Anthony JP Meyer scholarship at the museum. We have associated the Society of Oceanists which provides moral, physical and friendly support with the Friends of the MQB - JC.

The Meyer Scholarship is intended for the study of objects of art and utilitarian objects of Oceania, early photographs, artistic representations of Oceania and documentation in French museums. I hope that my approach, financed for the next three years, will produce offsprings and that we will soon see other scholarships flourish for research on the primitive art thanks to the generosity of collectors and dealers.

For the year 2018/2019 the jury, composed of personalities from the world of oceanic studies and photography : Guigone Camu, Ingrid Heermann, Laura Mercier, Magali Melandri, Virginia Lee Webb, Emmanuel Kasarherou, Christian Kaufmann, Philippe Peltier, and Anthony JP Meyer, decided to award the Anthony JP Meyer Scholarship to Mrs. Sophie Jacqueline for her project: " Overmodeled Oceanic Skulls : interests and limitations of their biomedical study ".

I wish good luck to all candidates for the year 2019/2020 ...

Anthony JP Meyer