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PHILIPPE RAPHANEL

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For over 30 years, Philippe Raphanel's painting practice has been marked by an awareness and sensitivity to the natural landscape. Most recently, he approaches the idea of landscape from an atmospheric perspective, using line and colour to evoke imagery related to oceanic and celestial maps. Iridescent pigments coupled with hundreds of layers of alternately opaque and translucent colours shift with the viewer's position and in response to light. The process Raphanel uses to create his paintings is extremely labour-intensive, taking years to complete individual pieces.

Raphanel immigrated to Canada from France in 1981 and has since exhibited his work across the country, the United States, and Australia. He has received numerous Canada Council grants and the VIVA award in 1996. He currently teaches painting at the Emily Carr University of Art + Design.

Philippe Raphanel lives and works in Vancouver, BC.