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Pivô is a non-profit cultural association, founded in 2012, which acts as a platform for exchange and artistic experimentation from its space in the Copan Building, in downtown São Paulo. The primary goal of the institution is to foster and promote local artistic production and create a free and open space for interlocution between various agents in the field of contemporary culture, both nationally and internationally.

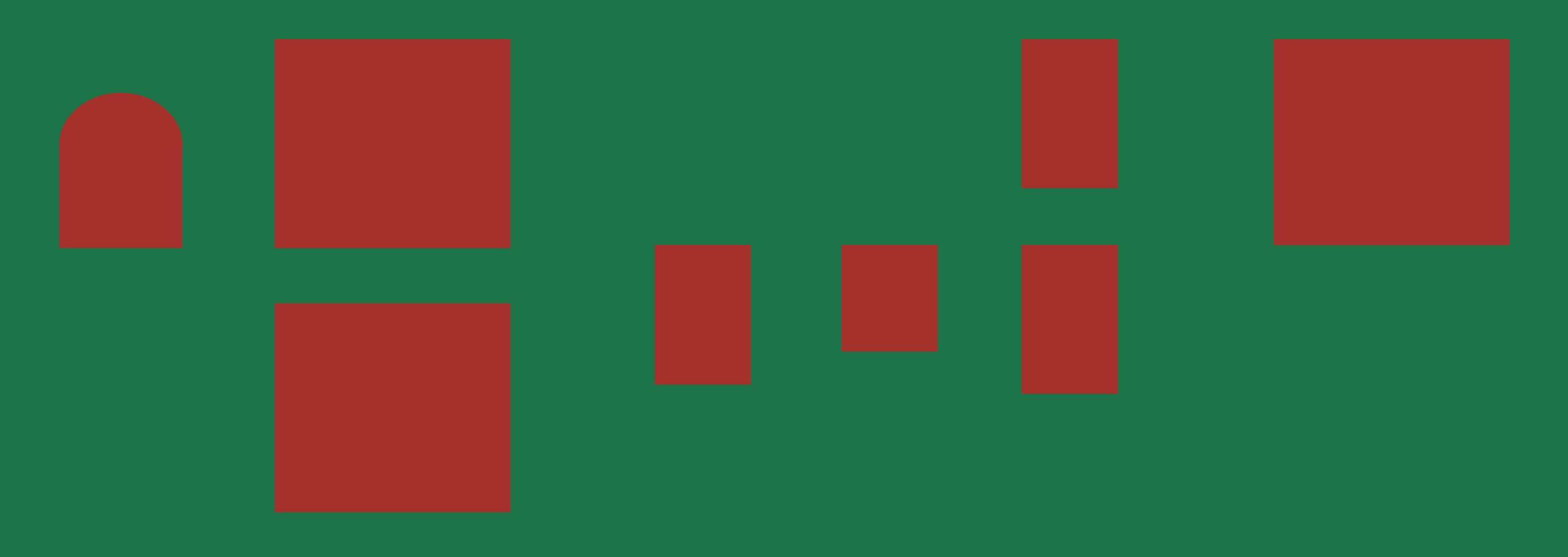
Pivô's program is articulated among commissioned projects, exhibitions, public programs, publications, and artistic residencies, always aiming at the potential that contemporary art has to raise critical questions and open new possibilities of involvement with crucial issues of our time.

## PIVÔ RESIDENCY PROGRAM RESEARCH artists, including Brazilians and foreigners, have gone through Pivô's residency. Pivô Research studio © Disclosure

Since 2013, Pivô conducts Pivô For the duration of the program. Research, an artist residency the participants are offered a program that takes place in the research grant. Each group is accompanied by guest curators. Copan building in São Paulo. Over the years, the program who work in collaboration with has accumulated extensive Pivô's curatorial team. These professionals follow the artists experience in forming artists by critically monitoring projects processes throughout the cycle promoting a shared critical and facilitating the development of works, having established a environment, supported by different educational activities. network of professionals who frequently collaborate with the program. More than 150



## PIVÔ SALVADOR





### pivô salvador



Internal garden of the house © Ricardo Prado

On the previous page The Boulevard Suisso house under construction, 1933 © Unknown authorship



Pivô is now a decade old, and all this time, we have been pointing to and testing out desirable alternatives and new models for enabling and disclosing contemporary art production and critical thinking. Hundreds of artists have worked inside our venue in São Paulo. These same artists and their multiple perspectives and backgrounds prevent us from becoming too comfortable inside our institutional frameworks. In other words, we are constantly rethinking our activities and verifying our mission's reach and timeliness.

In the past few years, I've been more and more fond of the idea of degrowth. Many contemporary art and critical thinking projects have addressed how the growth ideology conceals the rising inequalities and ecological destructions associated with a still hegemonic but worn-out model of existence. So, why open a new venue in another citγ right now?

Pivô's program has arisen out of situations and encounters since its inception, and this case is no different. Like the space in São Paulo our new venue in Salvador is a fortunate encounter with some incredible living and nonliving beings. It is a new house for us but a significant site for many that came before making it unique in the past ninety years. Working in neutral spaces (as if there are anγ) is not our talent. To open this new chapter, we are building on a vibrant cultural scene that thrives and continues blossoming despite the many adversities it has been persistently confronting. A cultural scene we were always enthusiastic about and willing to learn from and collaborate with.

Borrowing the words of Australian cultural theorist Mckenzie Wark: If we understand that we are living in ruins, then we can understand that we do not have a tradition of knowledge that we can continue as if it were whole and intact and passing through a homogenous time. Instead, we have fragments not of a past but of possible futures. This move is not an expansion but a fragmentation. It charts a path forward through shared methodologies and ideas. By acknowledging multilayered times, histories, and experiences, we plan to reactivate an already unique house and create free spaces for experimentation. art making, and fostering of counter-hegemonic movements and ideas. The format is still to be figured out as we set things in motion, but the approach is transdisciplinary. We will depart



One of the internal spaces of the house © Ricardo Prado

thought of in the context of the futures that might still be possible. And it seems to us that starting something different in a radically different location and context, fostering new networks of knowledge exchange and context—based artistic projects might offer a glimpse of new potential applications of the work we have been doing since Pivô opened its door. Pivô's next decade begins in Bahia.

Fernanda Brenner Artistic Director

from our contemporary art background to build collaborative scientific, technical, intellectual, organizational affective, and manual labor forms to find a path through our unstable times. The question of the futures anyone might want has to be

## pivô salvador residency program



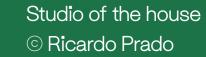
The Pivô Salvador Residency
Program is based on Pivô
Research's conception of artistic
residency: it proposes to generate
a platform for exchanging and
experimenting between artists.
The Residency is a research
space and the Pivô is placed
as an intermediary agent of
possible interlocutions.

Besides the workspace, there is the possibility of a stay at the historical house that houses the Pivô Salvador. The program also includes curatorial supervision, activities for public sharing of the developments of the individual processes and collective discussions held during the residence, and also an exchange of proposals between the two institutions' headquarters.

Ateliê da casa © Ricardo Prado Pivô Salvador intends to establish itself as a platform for research and exchange in the Northeast of Brazil. The opening of the space in Salvador and the choice of the space in which the residency will take place resonates with Pivô's mission and institutional commitment: the promotion and dissemination of local artistic production

and the creation of free and independent space for dialogue between various agents in the field of contemporary culture. both nationally and internationally.





### boulevard suisso's house





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1. Street sign Boulevard Suisso © Ricardo Prado

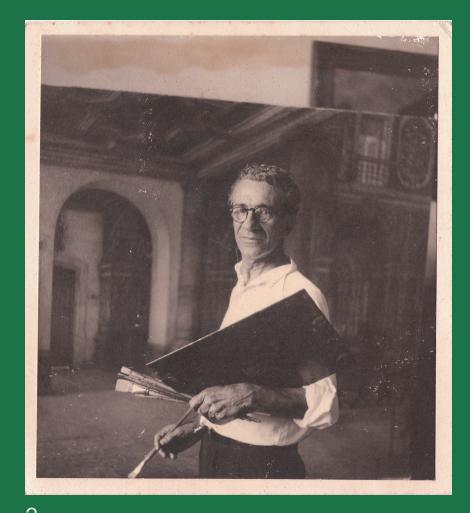
2. The house © Maria Moniz

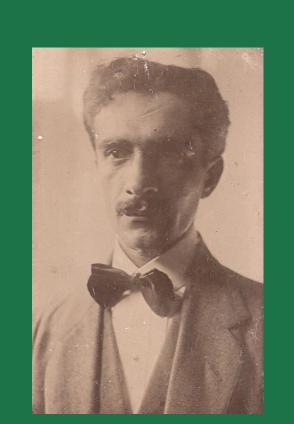
Called Boulevard House or simply Boulevard a reference to the address where it is located: Rua Boulevard Sui ço, no 11. The house is located in Nazaré, a historic neighborhood in Salvador, Bahia.

Salvador a historical city located in the Northeast Region of Brazil is recognized throughout the country and internationally for its cuisine music and architecture. The African influence in many cultural aspects of the city makes it a center of Afro-Brazilian culture. As the first capital of Colonial Brazil the city is one of the oldest in the Americas and one of the first planned cities in the world.

The house that will host the residencγ space was built in 1934 and belonged to Presciliano Silva an important artist. Silva studied painting and drawing at the School of Fine Arts in Bahia and was awarded a scholarship by the state government of Bahia in 1905 to studγ at the Academie Julian in France. He is the author. among others of the historical painting Entrada do Exército Libertador commissioned by the maγor of Salvador Francisco de Souza, in 1930. He was awarded the gold medal in the National Salon of Fine Arts in 1941 and the medal of honor in 1947 for the painting O Romeiro. Some of his works are on displaγ at the Bahia Museum of Art.

- Presciliano in 1907
   Unknown authorship
- 2. Presciliano in his studio in the 1940s © Voltaire Fraga
- 3. Presciliano in his studio in the 1960s © Optaciano Oliveira Filho
- 4. Presciliano painting outdoors in Salvador in the 1940s © Unknown authorship

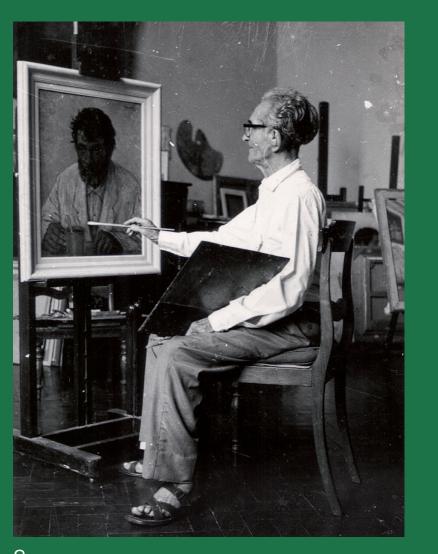








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1. Maria Moniz, daughter of Presciliano and Aice, with actor Enock Torres at a Carnival party at the house in the 1950s © Unknown authorship

2. Presciliano Silva and AliceMoniz newlγweds in 1934© Unknown authorship

3. Christmas partγ in the house in the 1950s© Unknown authorship

4. Wedding partγ in the 1950s© Unknown authorship



The venue, initially built for Prisciliano's wedding to the pianist and lyric singer Alice Moniz, became important in the cultural segment of the city. During the 1930s, 1940s, and 1950s, it was the site of many meetings of national and international intellectuals, literary and musical soirées, Christmas and São João parties, and lively carnival dances.

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Pol Taburet will be the first resident of the new Pivô location, joining the many other artists who have cohabited, throughout history, in the space of the house.

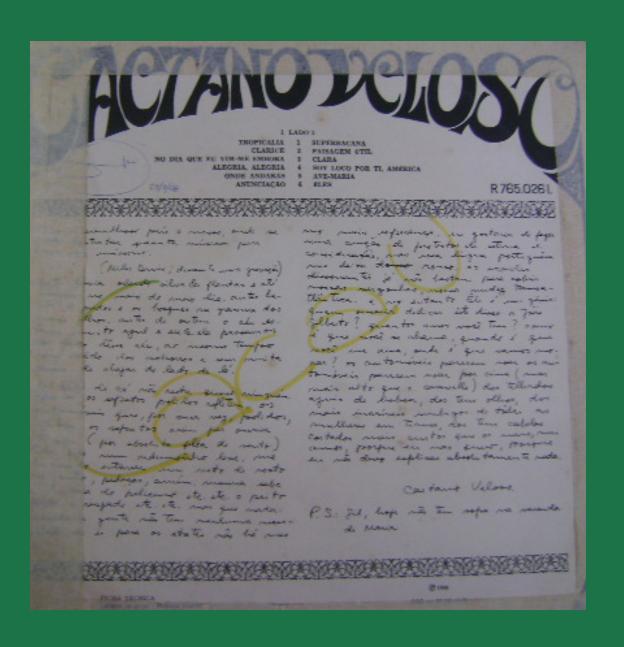


- Partγ on the balconγ in the
   1950s © Édison Ponce de Leon
- 2. Front and back of the record by Caetano Veloso that refers to the events in the Boulevard Suisso house

In the 1960s, actress Maria
Moniz, the couple's only daughter, organized meetings on the veranda of the house with people from Bahia's Escola de Teatro, Escola de Dança, and Bossa Nova, among them Tom Zé, Caetano Veloso, Gilberto Gil, Gal Costa, Maria Bethânia, Orlando Sena, Glauber Rocha, and Helena Ignês.

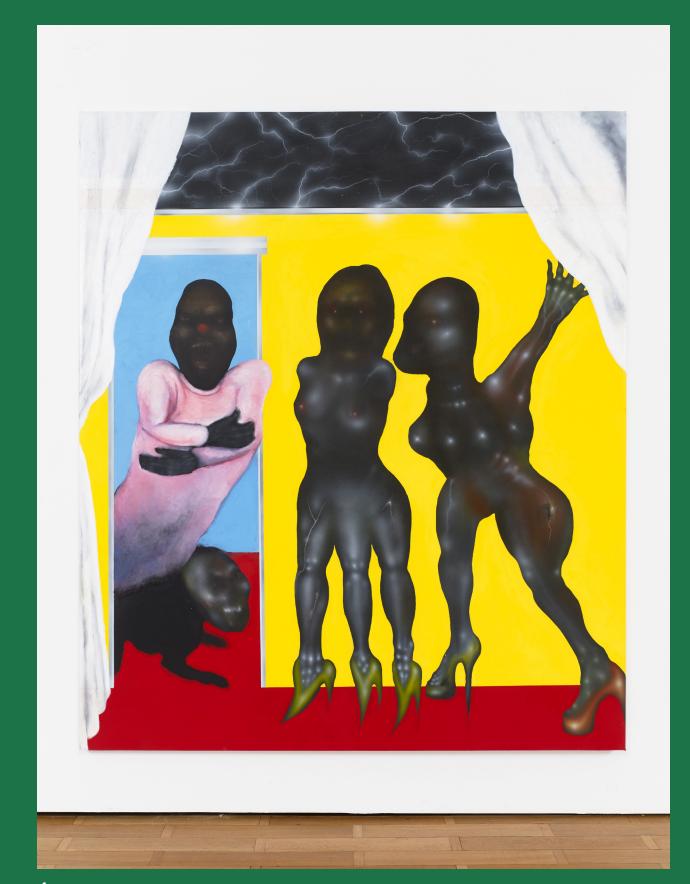
The prolific meetings on the veranda were the origin of the Tropicalia movement. These nights were immortalized on the back cover of Caetano Veloso's record (1967), in which he says: "Gil, today there will be no soup on Maria's veranda".





### first resident pol taburet

Pol Taburet's work is a heady and iconoclastic mix of references that range from the artist's own Caribbean background, the region's synchretic voodoo traditions and belief systems, wider contemporary culture as well as classical painting. Born in 1997, the artist has rapidly gained attention with his idiosyncratic painterly style, which he has developed by incorporating the use of airbrushing alongside traditional brush painting with acrylic colors. The formal result is a unique contraposition of textures and finishings of painstaking detail, "impressionistic" suggestion and symbolism.





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2. Pol Taburet

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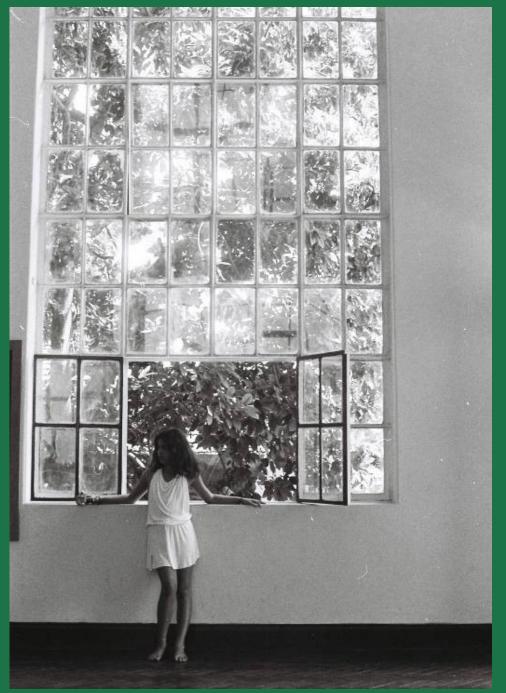














- 1. Garden of the house
- © Ricardo Prado
- 2. Cézanne's studio © Unknown authorship
- 3. Studio in the 1980s
- © Mônica Simões

- 4. Studio in 2010
- © Jonas Grebler
- 5. Maria Moniz, daughter of Presciliano Silva and Alice Moniz, in the garden of the house in 2023
- © Ricardo Prazo

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- +65 exhibitions
- +80 public programs
- + 400 artists involved in the programming
- +68 thousand visitors
- + 31 thousand accesses on the Pivô Satélite platform
- + 8 thousand registered on the mailing list
- + 50 thousand followers on Instagram
- + 14 thousand followers on Facebook
- +830 on YouTube
- + 14 thousand views on the Pivô channel
- + 23 thousand plays on the main players

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Pivô counts on a series of national and international institutional partnerships to enable challenging artistic and curatorial proposals and keep its space in full operation. Between 2012 and 2022, we made important institutional partnerships such as:

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#### Exposição aborda duas décadas de andanças do artista Paulo Nazareth

'Vuadora' acontece até julho no espaço cultural Pivô, em São Paulo, com obras icônicas e inéditas do artista multifacetado

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#### Bruna Martins

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Os resultados das andanças feitas por Paulo Nazareth, ao longo das duas últimas décadas, são explorados em exposição que acontece até julho no espaço cultural Pivô, em São Paulo. Vuadora reúne obras emblemáticas do artista e outras peças nunca antes saídas de seu ateliê em Santa Luzia, Minas Gerais, nesta que é a maior mostra individual de sua carreira.







Installation View

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#### Paulo Nazareth retrata um Brasil em convulsão na maior mostra de sua carreira

Exposição em São Paulo revê mais de 20 anos de trabalho do artista e tem pinturas



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