

# DOMINIQUE LARRIVAZ

## Profile:

- Painter-sculptor Larrivaz is a genuine free electron on the artistic scene.
- A fantasy world filled with dogs.
- Larry, an original, thoroughbred work, invites us to follow him on his journeys.

## Biography (1961)

Dominique Larrivaz, known as Larry, lives and works in France. His first name is very close to a part of his work and animal compositions. He tells us that his name, Dominique, comes from the Latin "Domini Canes", meaning "the Dogs of the Lord". When his mother was pregnant with him, she dreamt that she was carrying a dog holding a flaming torch in its mouth. By an extraordinary coincidence, this vision is in fact a picture representing Saint Dominic carrying a torch and accompanied by a dog. The torch symbolises the constellation Sirius, whose brightest element, the Dog Star, chases away the shadows. Larrivaz took this popular and traditional representation of Saint Dominic as the basis for a constellation peopled by a series of decidedly strange dogs. The artist's work was then projected into a fantastical stellar world, somewhere between comic strips and Manga.

## Dominique Larrivaz for Daum

In Larrivaz's hands, the dog becomes the subject of an everlasting search.

"Larry" appears, like the Daum mascot. He takes us on his trips to New York, Tokyo and Paris.

Height: 6.5 cm



Larry in Paris



Larry in Tokyo



Larry in New York

## The world of Dominique Larrivaz



Les Jumelles (The female twins)  
Fresco  
Paris, 1990