BARCELONA CONTEMPORARY ART FAIR 2021

Barcelona | June 24 - July 11, 2021

BARCELONA CONTEMPORARY, organized by **ITSLIQUID Group**, is pleased to open its doors in **Barcelona**, at **Valid World Hall Gallery** from June 24 to July 11, 2021

BARCELONA CONTEMPORARY is a contemporary art fair that presents collective and solo projects by leading and emerging international artists. The **2nd edition** will represent a forum for direct exchange of ideas and contacts between collectors, artists, photographers, designers, and art professionals. The art fair features paintings, sculptures, photography art, installations, video art and live performance.

The Art Fair analyses the relationship between body and space, and the hybridization between identities and cultural/physical/social/urban settings in contemporary time, through two main sections: MIXING IDENTITIES and FUTURE LANDSCAPES.

MIXING IDENTITIES analyses the hidden parts of our identities, through an immersive experience inside the fascinating universe of the complex labyrinths of our **consciousness**. The human body is a **changing system** that connects us with other bodies and spaces to perceive the surrounding reality, a strong communication system with its own language and infinite ways of expression.

FUTURE LANDSCAPES are abstract, infinite, and conceptual, associated with a sense of freedom and infinite extension. Primarily experienced with the mind, spaces redefining their limits and borders, **transforming** surfaces in open flow of pure ideas. This section focuses on the concept of the borders and the structures between body, mind and soul, the human identity and the city, the space, and the ground.

The works of **Rushdi Anwar** for example, reflect on the socio-political issues of Kurdistan, Iraq and The Middle East. He draws from personal experiences and memories poetically reflecting on **contemporary issues** of displacement, **identity**, conflict, and trauma endured under colonial and ideological regimes. Based on his background as a Kurd, who has lived through the recent violence of this region, his works reference both current and historical geopolitical unrest that extends and generates discourse concerning the status of social equity-exploring these issues by investigating form, material, and processes of making.

Emotion, torsion, and narration are the crucibles of **Lucia Salzgeber**'s pictorial, scenographic and performative work. She fragments her life by long moments of creation in an intense solitude which give birth to installations mixing body, pictorial and performative languages, while **Maria Montiel** seeks to interpret the difficulties of preserving memories as an immigrant: her surreal ecosystems of colour and movement tell stories of lives left behind, "dancing into a new world".

BARCELONA CONTEMPORARY ART FAIR also focuses on the concept of limits and borders, **transforming** surfaces in open flow of pure ideas. **Doyeon Kim** wants to break those borders by communicating with the world through her works and spreads beneficial energy to it, while **Joanna Wojtal-Kalinowska** wanders between dreams and daydreams, through unknown landscapes and spaces: following her path she unveils various emotions, desires, thoughts, memories and precognitions. **Avery Gray** is a mixed media visual artist who works primarily in collage art. Her work is a visual representation of her journey of coming of age, womanhood, sexuality, pain, and healing. She aims to challenge patriarchal and heteronormative constructs in the hope of true equality. With vintage family photographs, she brings a nostalgic feeling to her work and pays tribute to her family but, primarily, the matriarchs before her. During the exhibition, visitors will also have the opportunity to attend a video screening program and various live performances (video-and-performance-program-barcelona-contemporary-2021).

The second edition of BARCELONA CONTEMPORARY will be a meeting point for more than 70 artists, who will have the opportunity to express themselves in their infinite and magnificent ways.

VENUE

Valid World Hall Gallery

c/ Buenaventura Muñoz 6, 08018 Barcelona, Spain June 24 – July 11, 2021 Tuesday - Friday | 10:00 AM - 02:00 PM and 05:00 PM - 08:00 PM Saturday | 11:00 AM - 02:00 PM **OPENING** June 24, 2021 | 07:00 PM Free entry **Supported by** FREYLER ART GALLERY | HUB DESIGN | LIDYA DILMENER JEWELRY DESIGN | PHOENIX ART EUROPE

SELECTED ARTISTS

Natalia Abramishvili . Switzerland | Alexandre Akar . France | Naty Alfano . Colombia | Antonio Amoruso . Italy | Rushdi Anwar . Australia/Kurdistan-Iraq | Avery Gray . USA | Pepita Basilius . Germany | Sinem Bozkurt . Turkey | Francesco Buonfino . Italy | Simona Capitini . Italy | Susan Carnahan . USA | Tommaso Carrara . UK | Yenny Carruyo . USA | Manuela Clarin . Germany | Nathanael Cox . USA | André d'Orcay . Germany | Francesca De Campora . Italy | Kardelen De Groof . Belgium | Lidya Dilmener . Turkey | Clara Lotta Dittmer . Germany | EDO . Italy | Elsa Egon . France/Italy | Ekaterina Eneva . Bulgaria | Giulio Fabbri . Italy | Alexis J. Garcia Elsevyf . Dominican Republic | Ozge Gurkan . Turkey | Elizabeth Heusser . Switzerland | Kaori Hiraiwa . Germany | Kieren Hughes . UK | Otilia Iliescu . Romania | Daniel Inácio . Portugal | Makoto Inoue . Germany | Lynn Jaanz . Australia | SOHA Jeong Kyoung-Mee . South Korea | Tamás Kacsák . Hungary | Annie Amelyte Kim . USA | Doyeon Kim . South Korea | Alexandra Kordas . Germany | Riikka Korpela . Finland | Constanza Laguna . Spain | Wan-Sian Lai . Taiwan | Marcia Lorente Howell . Spain/USA | Angus Lowe . UK | Neo Mahlangu . South Africa | Tyna Majczuk . Poland | Sofía Maldonado-Suárez . Puerto Rico | Marcela Mannheimer . Brasil | Gloria Manzanares Romero . Germany | Marco Metto . Italy | Maria Montiel . Spain | Isabella Rose Nelson . UK | Frederique Nolet De Brauwere . France | Alessandro Padovan . Italy | Raffaela Pederiva . Italy | Desirée Perifano . Italy | Raizes Teatro - Alessandro Ienzi . Italy | Arezou Ramezani . Iran | Mario Raniolo . Italy | Jean-Marie Renault . France | Michaela Resch . Austria | Erwin Rios . Austria | Maria Saad . Lebanon | Tommaso Sacco . Italy | Lucia Salzgeber . France | Martina Georgine Scupin . Germany | Hynek Skoták . Czech Republic | Tibor Soskuti . Germany | Nina Stopar . Slovenia | Rumen Tarnev . Bulgaria | Tischlarov . Croatia | Xavier Toda . Spain | Nancy Van Wichelen . Belgium | Chisara Vidale . UK | Katia Vitale . Switzerland | Fu Wenjun . China | Witnesses . Bangladesh | Joanna Wojtal-Kalinowska . Poland | Root Yarden . Israel | Mary Anne Zammit . Malta | Felix Zilinskas . World