

# Found & mentalism

## FOUND & MENTALISM

### Curators

*Andrea Hilger  
Antka Hofmann*

### Artists

*Henri Deparade  
Karen Gäbler  
Michael Goller  
Antka Hofmann  
Nina Holzweg  
Jonas Lewek  
Katerina Belkina  
Ulrike Mundt  
Sabine Ostermann  
Marcin Owczarek  
Gaspar Risko  
Luc Saalfeld  
Detlef Schweiger  
Katrin Süß  
Ekkehard Tischendorf*

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GERMAN MALTESE  
CIRCLE  
PALAZZO MESSINA  
VALLETTA

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April till  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May

One could see the confrontation of these two exhibitions and artists from around the globe that were selected by the Ostrale curators, in the light of the words of the artist Pablo Picasso about Guernica (1937), "It is my wish to remind you that I was always convinced and am still convinced, that an artist who lives and works with spiritual values cannot behave indifferently when faced with a conflict in which the highest values of humanity and civilization are at risk." Because what we want to achieve are art rooms, created through and with the artists' works, inviting all to think and create change in the sense of Picasso's word; anything but indifferent to the current state of society. Which perspectives for the future are provided through the examination of the past?

Our present age is a time of turmoil, marked by the increasing presence of terrifying "isms", it confronts us with open questions and missing answers. Is art the mediator we need in our societies, acting as the conscious confrontation and collaboration of tradition and modernity and providing support in the search of peaceful resolutions? Can it be a supporting power for the development of the European cultural space?

In our art project "found & mentalism" we propose a journey through the growth of a young political and economic society to tackle the question how our shared heritage is assembled. We focus on the topic Mediterranean Sea - Conflict and Exile, standing for the global situation of war and displacement. Beyond this and through the confrontation of art works and artists we present a myriad of opportunities provided through cultural diversity, mutual understanding and by finding togetherness.



1. Michael Goller
2. Antka Hofmann
3. Ekkehard Tischendorf
4. Sabine Osterman
5. Henri Deperade
6. Nina Holzweg



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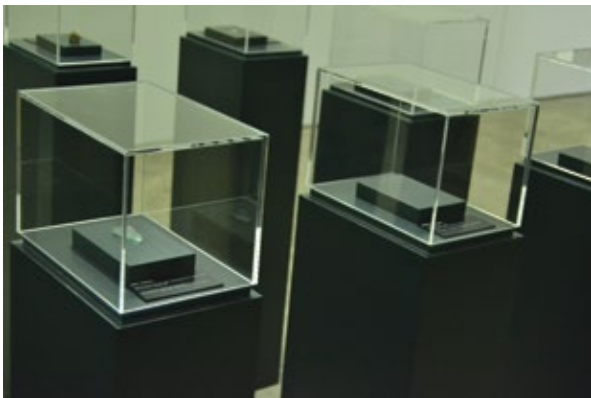


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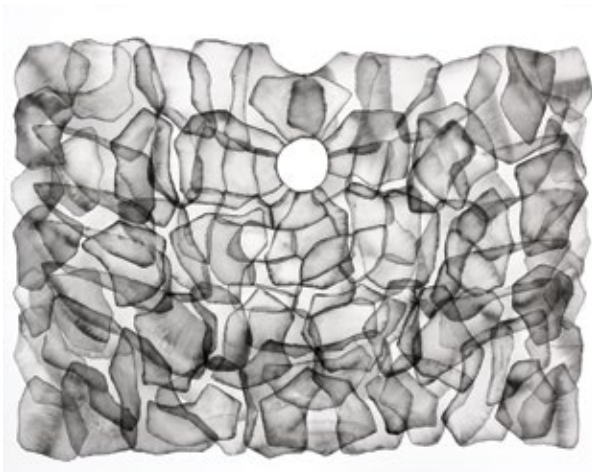
- 1. Katrin Süss
- 2. Gaspar Risiko
- 3. Ulrike Mundt
- 4. Jonas Lewek
- 5. Luc Saalfeld



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2. Marcin Owczarek
3. JKaterina Belkina
4. Karen Gäbler