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THE SANTORINI BIENNALE OF ARTS ANNOUNCES INITIAL PARTICIPATING ARTISTS

Curators' selections reflect the development of a platform aimed at an "active remembrance of the past that remains connected to thinking towards the future."

The Santorini Biennale Foundation and Founding Director Kikos Papadopoulos are pleased to announce the initial list of artists and exhibition details for *The Past: History, Time, Memory and Nostalgia*, the inaugural exhibition at the Santorini Biennale of Arts.

Constructed as a large thematic exhibition, the Biennale will develop an investigation of how humanity accumulates a catalogue of *personal fabric* and how these collected manifestations shape the patterns of our lives.

With works by more than 200 artists, as well as several new commissions, the exhibition will be configured throughout the island to build various platforms in which to open a dialogue with the public. Both artworks and cultural artefacts from more than 25 countries will be brought together to examine our relationship with the past whilst taking a position towards the future.

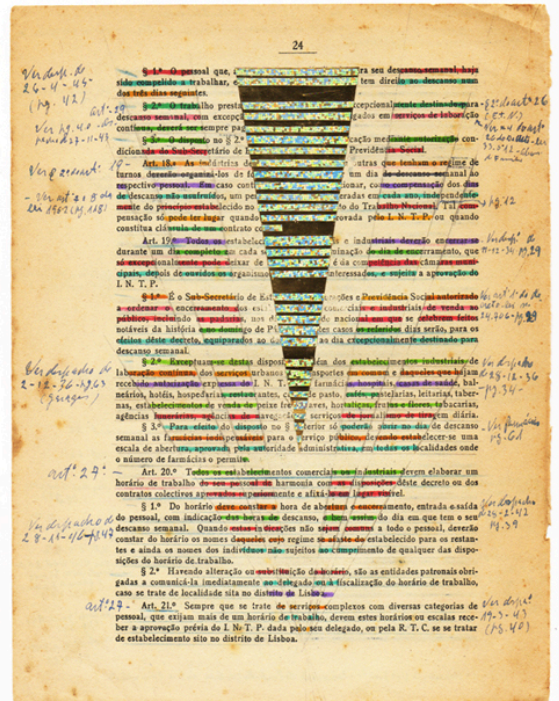
The Biennale will open to the public from 01 July with a programme of inaugural events to commemorate the festival.

The exhibition will take place from 01 August through 30 September.

The Biennale will use venues not normally associated with visual art, including sites around the island and within the villages of Pyrgos (Pyrgos Old Venetian Castle and The Santorini of the Past Cultural Village) as well as up to 13 exhibition halls extended throughout the towns of Fira, Kamari (cineKamari), Perissa, Akrotiri, Imerovigli and Oia Village (Atlantis Bookstore and Pelagos Hotel).

The overall objectives of the Santorini Biennale of Arts are achieved through networking and a wide range of programs; the primary goal is to initiate and to maintain exchange and continuous professional collaboration between the upcoming artists and the international art community.

During the exhibition, a program of tours, talks, film screenings and special events will be held across the city. A detailed program will be announced shortly.



Luis Dorado, *Essay On Structures 1 (detail)*,
Paper Manipulation/ Collage, 2010
Image courtesy of the artist.

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Participating Artists (Please note: this list is not final. Current as of May 20, 2012):

COLLAGE ARTISTS – 1st Selection – Curator Tomas Poblete

Alex Pollard (UK), Alex James Daw (UK), Anna Damigou (GR), Danielle Villa (IT), Dessislava Terzieva (USA), Diana Rachel Palmer (UK), Gerard K Choy (CA), Giuseppe Hagackure Pisasale (IT), Giorgos Nouvakis (GR), Leoni Schmiedel (DE), Lila de Magalhaes (UK), Little Whitehead (UK), Luis Dourado (PT), Miguel Palma (PT), Ope Sarah Lori (UK), Stathis Tingas (GR), Tanja Rades (SI), Thomas Lelu (FR), Jenellen Jade Floyd (USA)

ILLUSTRATION ARTISTS – 1st Selection – Curator Nicky Peacock

Carol Woodin (USA), Harley Price (UK), Hrefna Sigurðardóttir (IS), Lital Gold (IL), Klone Yourself (UA), Sean Sims (UK), Anne Forest (NL), Jane Moore (UK), Annabel Dover (UK), Alyson Agar (UK), Lilie Mélo (FR), Beth Hoeckel (USA), Cameron Steward (twoducksdisco) (UK), Ingrid Sandsborg (SE), Senghye Yang (KP), Lindsey Bull (UK), John Wheeler (UK), Elinor Alexaki (GR), Romain Jean Maurice Arnette (FR), Tabitha Kyoko Moses (UK), Begoña García-Alén (ES), Rohan Daniel Eason (UK), Frode Skaren (NO), Marina Valinou (GR), Drew Mosley (CA), Frances Stanfield (UK), Micca (JP), Frances Pelzman Liscio (USA)

INDUSTRIAL DESIGN ARTISTS – 1st Selection – Curator Alexa Jeanne Kusber

A+B Designers (FR), OKOLO (CZ), Albert Geertjes (NL), Ariane Prin (FR), Bartholomäus Traubeck (DE), Echomaterico (IT), Caroline Elisabeth Haberkorn (SE), Christos Tsigaras (GR), Costas Bissas (GR), Daniel Eatock (UK), DesignMarketo (UK), Diana Vernaza Gonzenbach and Jorge de la Cruz (EC)(ES), Edward Linacre (AU), Javier Toro Blum (CL), John Rainey (IE), Laurent Perbos (FR), Lina-P (GR), Lucy Norman (UK), Markus Kayser (DE), Matt Richardson (USA), Niko Economidis (GR), Niloufar Afnan (CA), Peter Anton Kraft (DE), Pia Wüstenberg (DE), Sam Weller (UK), STUDIOLAV (GR), Tianyu Xiao (CN), Yuri Suzuki (JP)

CERAMIC ARTISTS – 1st Selection – Curator Tracey Holt Walkden

Amber Aguirre (USA), Shellie Jacobson (USA), Jack Doherty (UK), Carolyn Corfield (UK), Gina Adams (USA), Pea J Restall (UK), Martin McWilliam (DE), Ronit Baranga (IL), Anna Collette Hunt (UK), Thomas Gosebruch (DE), Monica Patuszynska (PL), CinBA (creativity & Craft production in Middle & Late Bronze Age) 5 students: Ann Kelcey, Lyn Leadbeater, Michele Conox, Holly Inglis, Vivienne Saunders (UK), CinBa (Creativity & Craft production in Middle & Late Bronze Age) 4 students: Caroline Allen, Rini Layden, Rosemary Chell, Sarah Bellavia (UK), Mette Maya Gregersen (DK), Marie Beckman (SE), Jussi Ojala (SE), Peter Hayes (UK), Petros Tsakmaklis (GR), Hilda Merom (IL), Kaori Tatebayashi (JP), Aesha Kennedy (AU), Nando Crippa (IT), Sandra Sperhake (DE), Michal Alon (IL), Kyriaki Gerontaki (GR), Nicky Konings (NL), Catherine Lane (AU), Ossama Emam (EG), Clare Crouchman (UK), Pagona-Marina Taliadourou (GR), Galatea Papageorgiou (GR), Patricia Elizabeth Sannit (USA), Jongjin Park (KP), Giannis Mamoutzis (GR), Adil Writer (IN), Julie Le Fevre (UK), Kat O'Brien (CA), Louise Secher Gaarmann (DK), Avner Singer (IL), Steve Davies (AU), Eser Sensilay (TR), Kate Thompson (UK), Angela Pointon (UK)

DRAWING ARTISTS – 1st Selection – Curator Anneca York

Eleni Vlachou Tsotsorou (GR), Vasilis Botoulas (GR), Dimitris Kokoris (GR), Marianna Trontsiou (GR), Katerina Tsempeli (GR), Marina Kassianidpu (CY), Elmar Anton Peintner (AT), Diana Zelmanović (HR), Susan Brinkmann (UK), Gagan Singh (IN), Brent Thomas (USA), Sze Pui Chow (HK), Thomas Gosebruch (UK), Sophie Kyriakopoulou (GR)

PAPER ARTISTS – 1st Selection – Curator Paola Gentili

Jacopo Quinzii (IT), Brenna Quinn (USA), Katerina Mertzani (GR), Edwin Pickstone (UK), Federica Paolini (IT), Manuel Di Rita (IT), Elin Gogou (NL), Maria Dimaki (GR), Alex James Daw (UK), Kanella Arapoglou (GR), The Makerie Studio (UK), Maria Karametou (GR), Cristina Stratsiani (GR), Zim & Zou (FR), Tina Karageorgi (GR), Anastasia Parava (GR), Lydia Hirte (DE), Christophe Piallat (USA), Carole P. Kunstadt (USA), Vassia Adamou Vanezi (GR), Carlotta Parisi (IT), Lital Mendel (IL)

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PHOTOGRAPHY ARTISTS – 1st Selection – Curators Michalis Vlavianos & Dimitra Bratika

Giorgos Sfakianakis (GR), Alexia Natalia Liakounakou (GR), Ioli Zalimoglou (GR), Elzbieta Piekacz (UK), Efi Haliori (GR), Giouli Tsatsopoulou (GR), Dimitris Charitatos (GR), Flo Kohl (UK), Angeliki Dekoulakou (GR), Gregory Mitrakos (GR), Emily Jean Mandilaras (GR), Sofia Yfanti (GR), Elizabeth Blanchet (UK), Vangelis I Paravas (GR), Helen Chryssikou (GR), Michalis Christos Politopoulos (GR), Zenia Dimitrakopoulou (GR), Patrick Noel Shanahan (UK), Ossama Emam (EG), Nikola Zelmanovic (HR), Carinthia West (UK), Josephine Coy (UK), Arven Sakti Kralj Szomi (SI), Vera Maria Gazi (GR), Vasileios Kantas (UK), Michael Vincent Enriquez (PH), Robb Mcrae (UK), Georgia Aslanidou (GR), Leo Alexander Marks (UK), Katja Evangelos Alexiadou (GR), Terpichori Kouzouni (GR), Massimiliano Boschini (IT), Carina Wright (UK), Clement Verger (UK), Melissa Campbell (UK)

PAINTING ARTISTS – 1st Selection – Curator Simon Tarrant

Aristides Balanos (GR), Margot McPherson Balanos (CA), Malin Basil (SE), David Benforado (GR), Raymonde Beraud (CY), Mark Barry (USA), William Bock (UK), Rouli Boua (GR), Béatrice Casanova (FR), Dionisis Christoflogiannis (GR), Jolanta Devlin (LV), Louise Diggle (UK), Tania Dimitrakopoulou (GR), Eirini Drossou (GR), Maryam Fadaei (IR), Antonis Fragkos (GR), Rene Grgić-Đaković (HR), Jevgenij Goldin (RU), Katerina Ioannidou (GR), Cyrus Iravani (UK), Jean-Luc Jankowski Janko (FR), Vasilis Kampolis (GR), Catherine Knight (UK), Joanna Koń (PL), Eleni Kyrou-Tsakalou (GR), Varvara Liakounakou (GR), Dita Luse (LV), Emily Jean Mandilaras (UK), Christina Markesini (GR), Panos Mitsopoulos (GR), Colette Morey de Morand (UK), Socol Rodica Magda (RO), Emer Martin (IE), Anastasia O'Donoghue (IE), Emma Papadopoulos (GR), Dimitris Papoutsakis (GR), Chrys Roboras (AU), Cristina Rodriguez (CO), C.Peter Seibt (GR), Pascal Stefanidi (GR), Nina Sumarac (RS), Stipan Tadic (BA), Gregos Theopsy (GR), Titania (GR), Rose-Mari Ursula Torpo (FI), Koert van den Beukel (NL), Bart Vargus (USA), Fiona Gray Worcester (UK), Tomas Zemla (SK), Madina Airatovna Ziganshina (RU), Thomas Staridas (GR)

The final list of participating artists will be announced 02 July 2012.

About the Santorini Biennale of Arts

The Santorini Biennale of Arts is a non-profit organisation that presents Greece's latest and most exciting contemporary visual arts event. Held every two years, the Biennale hosts a three-month exhibition, plus a program of artist talks, performances, forums, film screenings, family events, guided tours and other special events.

The inaugural Santorini Biennale of Arts will be presented from 1st July to the 30th September 2012.

The Biennale gratefully acknowledges the generous support of the many organisations and individuals that make the exhibitions and the extended programme possible.

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