

Press release

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Gian Marco Montesano

“Ma le gambe.....”

Opening: Friday 12 June 2015 from 6pm to 9 pm

Duration: until 12 July 2015

Exhibition space: Ernesto Esposito Shoes - Via S.Caterina a Chiaia, 20 - 80121 Napoli - Tel. 081 4238325

Opening time: Tuesday - Saturday 10am to 1:30pm / 4:30pm to 8pm; Monday 4:30pm to 8pm

The Galleria Umberto Di Marino is pleased to present the second event of *ten more ten*, part of a series of exhibitions to be held throughout the year, designed to mark the tenth anniversary of the gallery in Naples and the twentieth anniversary of the first gallery founded in Giugliano in Campania.

The series of events held throughout Naples will involve the collaboration of several public institutions, as well as private owners and collectors who have followed the developments of the Galleria Umberto Di Marino closely over the years. The gallery's artists or artists linked to it through longstanding relationships marked by lively intellectual exchange, will be involved in exhibitions designed for the gallery in via Alabardieri, as well as in installations, screenings, talks and site-specific projects for important sites in the urban landscape and the local cultural scene.

The themes that have always been at the heart of the gallery's philosophy, such as social investigation using the landscape, an anthropological approach, travel and the geopolitical transpositions of cultural phenomena, post-colonialism and the failure of modernism, will be reinterpreted in a constant reworking of artistic contents and processes, culminating in the opening of a full-blown *cabinet*. Photos, archive documents, works, sketches, texts and letters will provide tangible evidence of the interplay of human and professional relations that lie behind the two galleries and support a concept of the gallery as a shared workshop of ideas and an open space for experimentation. Similarly, the invitation includes all the exhibitions held over the last ten years in a visual compendium and a heartfelt tribute to the traces left by the artists.

For *ten more ten_#2* the gallery presents a tribute to the precious long-term collaboration with Gian Marco Montesano, from *Addio mia bella Napoli* 1998, to *Historikerstreit* 2008, through *Femmes Absolue* 2003.

The work titled *Ma le gambe...* sums up all the artist's research on historiographical interpretation, the roots of the Italian and European identity and the influence of popular culture and aesthetics on contemporary phenomena. It is exposed, from June 12, thanks to the prestigious partnership with a collector particularly close to the history of the gallery in recent years. Ernesto Esposito, the internationally renowned designer and promoter of several cultural initiatives, contributes to the celebrations of the 10th anniversary, offering his showroom as exceptional location to exhibit the work.