

"Il viaggio di Federico" // by Luca Capuano // curated by Pier Francesco Frillici



Opening Friday September 14, 2012, 6 - 8 pm
// Urban Center Salaborsa // Piazza Nettuno 3 // Bologna
// September 14 – 30, 2012

The show *Il Viaggio di Federico* by Luca Capuano will open at the Bologna Urban Center exhibition space on Friday September 14, 2012. The show will feature a series of photographs captured by Luca Capuano on the Bologna surrounding environment: the photographer combines real or artificial images, unpublished figures, signs of life, landscapes as “tales of the world”.

The project originates from a chance encounter: the double portrait of the Dukes of Urbino, Federico da Montefeltro and Battista Sforza, installed in a small anonymous hotel dedicated to Piero Della Francesca. The photographer's attention is suddenly attracted by the famous painting reproduction and focuses on its naturalistic background landscape.

In that idealized and uncontaminated nature, as influenced by the Humanism of the time, Luca Capuano investigates the intersections with the contemporary scene. By assuming Federico's identity, during his itineraries around the city, he explores differences and similarities, collects details of real or duplicate figures. By keeping on his mind the landscape of Piero Della Francesca painting, the transfer on the Duke of Montefeltro identity allows him to gather objective images of abandoned sites, surrounding environments, black and white portraits, which turn into tales on the moment of the exhibition set up. The images acquire their meaning in the full project, they create unexpected stories by depicting universal concepts of life and death, in a continuous balance between tradition and contemporaneity, reality and fiction.

On show a part of the large series of photographs composing the full project included in the upcoming book *La storia di Federico*, published by Logos.

Luca Capuano was born on 1974 in Bologna, where he lives and works.

Selected solo exhibitions:

Museu Histórico e Cultural de Jundiaí (San Paolo, Brazil) 2012 // Espaço Cultural do Conjunto Nacional (San Paolo, Brazil) 2012 // Istituto di cultura Rustans (Makati City, Manila, Philippines) 2012 // Fabbriceria del Duomo (Pienza, Italy) 2011 // Colombo art Biennale, J D A Perera Gallery (Colombo, Sri Lanka) 2011 // Centro Culturale Giovanni Lilliu (Barumini, Italy) 2011 // "Italian Festival featuring Italian Unesco Heritage Sites", in collaboration with MIBAC and Istituto Italiano di Cultura and Ministero degli Affari Esteri, Italian embassy in Vietnam (Trang Tien, Hanoi, Vietnam) 2011 // Cento cultural Borges (Buenos Aires, Argentina) 2011 // Banco general de Cordoba (Cordoba, Argentina) 2011 // "The Italian Festival features" Manila, Ayala Center Philippines, in collaboration with Mibac and Ambasciata Italiana and Rastan (Manila) 2010 // Istituto di cultura di Santiago del Cile (Santiago, Chile) 2011 // Siam Paragon, in collaboration with MIBAC, Istituto Italiano di Cultura, Ministero degli Affari Esteri (Bangkok, Thailand) 2011 // "A new prospective", Le Meridien (Bangkok, Thailand) 2011 // P.D.V.S.A. Centro d'arte Estancia (Caracas, Venezuela) 2011 // Museo d'Arte Contemporanea di San Gimignano, Comune di San Gimignano and Musei Senesi commission (San Gimignano, Italy) 2010 // Castel Estense (Ferrara, Italy) 2010 // ArteLibro, video, (Bologna, Italy) 2010 // Biennale di Architettura Off, Cà Foscari, San Giobbe, (Venezia, Italy) 2010 // Festival Savignano Immagine, video, (Savignano sul Rubicone, Italy) 2010 // Micamera (Milano, Italy) 2010 // Casa Italiana della Cultura Zerilli-Marimo (University of New York, U.S.A.) 2010 // Villa d'Este (Tivoli, Italy) 2010 // Galleria Beta Architetti (Bologna, Italy) 2009 // Spazio Gugenam (Milano, Italy) 2008 // Spazio Due Fiumi (Cosenza, Italy) 2005 // Triennale di Milano (Milano, Italy) 2005 // Loggetta Lombardesca Santa Maria delle Croci (Ravenna, Italy) 2005 // Museo comunale Palazzo Niccolini (Bibiena, Italy) 2004 // Galleria Arti Visive (Bari, Italy) 2003

Selected group exhibitions:

Spazio Labò (Luca Capuano, Manto, Poggi, Gasperoni, Popolo, Angiolini) (Bologna, Italy) 2011 // Galleria Guicciardini (Luca Capuano, Marcello Galvani, Stefano Graziani, Michele Buda, Niccolò Gandolfi, Cesare Ballardini, Alessandro Coco) (Bologna, Italy) 2010 // Sala Borsa (Luca Capuano, Paolo Nori, Vanna Vinci, Massimo Simonini, Tasca Studio e Aiap) (Bologna, Italy) 2010 // Limonaia di Villa Strozzi (Luca Capuano, Alessandro Coco, Daniele Pario Perra, Cesare Ballardini) (Firenze, Italy) 2008 // Spazio Interno 4 (Luca Capuano, Alessandro Coco) (Bologna, Italy) 2006 // Accademia di Belle Arti LABA (Brescia, Italia) 2005 // Spazio Due Fiumi (Cosenza, Italy) 2005 // Loggetta Lombardesca Santa Maria delle Croci (Ravenna, Italy) 2005 // Galleria Erasmus Brera (Dennis Oppenheim, Elisabeth Aro, Jan Van Ost, Phoebe Washburn, Hans Op de Beek, Michelangelo jr) (Milano, Italy) 2005 // Art book Milano "Linea veloce Milano-Bologna" (Milano, Italy) 2004 // Galleria Erasmus Brera Photo (D. Donzelli, M. Foscati, M. Ricci, A. Cimino, R. Barbato) (Milano, Italy) 2004 // Linea di Confine per la Fotografia Contemporanea (mostra collettiva) "Linea veloce Milano-Bologna" (Ospitale, Rubiera, Italy) 2004 // Museo comunale Palazzo Niccolini (Bibiena, Italy) 2004 // Accademia di Belle Arti di Bologna, (Bologna, Italy) 2002 // Festival delle Arti (Bologna, Italy) 2002 // Image Gallery (Manuel dell'Erba, Marco Sanges, Silvia Sgualdini) (Bologna, Italy) 2002 // Spazio SIAF (Praga, Cecoslovacchia) 2001 // Galleria Comunale (Navarria, Pagano, Ricci, Andreasi, Borzi, Botto, Cardini, Donzelli, Galimberti, Giangiulio, Turchi) (Bari, Italy) 2001 // Palazzo dell'Archiginnasio (Bologna, Italy) 2001 // Centro della Creatività, Piazza delle Erbe (Navarria, Pagano, Ricci, Andreasi, Borzi, Botto, Cardini, Donzelli, Galimberti, Giangiulio, Turchi) (Genova, Italy) 2001 // Palazzo S. Margherita (Navarria, Pagano, Ricci, Andreasi, Borzi, Botto, Cardini, Donzelli, Galimberti, Giangiulio, Turchi) (Modena, Italy) 2001

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Opening time: Tuesday - Friday 10 am – 8 pm // Saturday 10 am – 7 pm

Admission: free

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