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Collective exhibition

Italian Artists of the 2nd and 3rd waves in Indonesia

Opening

9 June 2023 | 18.00 WITA

Exhibition 10 June – 10 July 2023

Museum Pasifika, Nusa Dua, Bali

Bali, 9 June 2023

The Embassy of Italy and the Italian Cultural Institute Jakarta in collaboration with Museum Pasifika Bali are very pleased to present the collective exhibition "Italian Artists of the 2nd and 3rd waves in Indonesia". This exhibition is presented at the Museum Pasifika on the occasion of the celebrations for the Italian Republic Day, the first time organized in Bali. Curated by Amir Sidharta, the exhibition is realized by the Italian Cultural Institute in Jakarta.

With this exhibition a tribute is paid to 13 Italian artists, who represent a tangible testimony of the strong cultural links between Indonesia and Italy which date many decades back. The exhibit covers almost 80 year of uninterrupted, prolific artistic relation.

Thanks to the collaboration of the "Museum Pasifika" we have been able to collect, in more than 50 artworks, a part of the artistic history of the authors, who give us back their most intimate interpretation and vision of the other and the elsewhere, beyond the orientalist and exotic stereotypes.

Among the artists that came to Indonesia in the 1930s, from the so known second wave, this exhibition will feature a selection of artworks from Luigi Nobili, Piero Antonio Gariazzo, Emilio Ambron, Gilda Ambron, Locatelli Romualdo and Renato Cristiano. As explained by the curator, Amir Sidharta, the Italian artists of the second wave, who came to



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Indonesia in search of a more idyllic land different from Europe, seemed to be interested in sharing images of the beauty and serenity of the places and people they encountered during their travels here. They monumentalized the people and the natural surroundings that have given them inspiration to paint in the marvelous portraits and compelling landscapes like those we see in this exhibition.

The next wave, the third wave happened in the span of 1970s to 2000s. This period includes Luigi Ontani, Edmondo Zanolini, Maurizio Vetrugno, Federico Tomasi, Filippo Sciascia, Marco Cassani and lastly Concetta De Pasquale. They came to Indonesia with no unifying reason, except for a common interest in the kind people, the rich and beautiful land (and water), and the vivid and diverse cultures of Indonesia. The exhibition invites the visitors to see who they really are, their interests, their feelings and passions and to understand their ideas and concepts.

This exhibition illustrates the "great journey" of some modern and contemporary Italian artists in Indonesia. For the first time they are brought together in an original and multifarious set up that consists of artworks with mixed styles and techniques. This shows the plurality of significances and subjects related to different themes, yet with a common thread summed up by their experience in Indonesia.

List of artists:

Luigi Nobili

Piero Antonio Gariazzo

Gilda Ambron

Locatelli Romualdo

Renato Cristiano

Luigi Ontani



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Edmondo Zanolini

Maurizio Vetrugno

Federico Tomasi

Filippo Sciascia

Marco Cassani

Concetta De Pasquale

The exhibition will be held at the Museum Pasifika Nusa Dua Bali and will be inaugurated on 9 June 2023 at the Museum Pasifika Nusa Dua Bali by the Ambassador of Italy in Indonesia, Benedetto Latteri. Will present also the Director of the Italian Cultural Institute Jakarta, Maria Battaglia, Susanne Erhands of Museum Pasifika and the curator, Amir Sidharta.

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