



## **Torn Curtain** **buongiorno, buonasera**

curated by  
**Luca Massimo Barbero e H el ene de Franchis**

**Opening February 10, 2024 at 11am**

**Studio la Citt  - Verona**  
**February 12 – May 4, 2024**

*To insist that a storyteller stick to the facts is just as ridiculous as to demand of a representative painter that he show objects accurately."*

Alfred Hitchcock

*Torn Curtain. Buongiorno, buonasera* is an exhibition which has stumbled out from a 'elective habit' long shared between H el ene de Franchis and Luca Massimo Barbero and their two distinct paths. Here, the lady, a gallery owner for over 53 years, and the young man who went on to become a curator and art history professor have chosen the title of an Alfred Hitchcock film, as Barbero is wont to do in some of his projects.

The encounter between these two personalities will begin by stepping through a curtain into a Hitchcockian script where the clues are all in the hidden details of the works and in mysterious relationships between them: a bestiary in Deco bronze and Lucio Fontana, a devilish and symbolist painter like Mario De Maria or Alberto Martini, Giorgio de Chirico or Wilhelm von Gloeden, Arturo Tosi or Markus L upertz conspire together with some contemporary artists and starting from the great masters reach up to the very new generations.

A mysterious and unusual exhibition, a syncopated duet between the curators and the audience, in which impossible dialogues between various leading actors are staged. Over 60 works on display including a plunge into the 1980s, photography and fashion, international artists and ink nudes linked, untied, to the fragile world of ceramics, 20th century landscapes, abstract works, as well as engravings and drawings full of mystery and apocalypse.

Come and discover this dialogue between two

## THE ARTISTS.

Richard Avedon, Runo B, Alvisе Bittente, Federico Borroni, Davide Bramante, Edward Burne-Jones, Carlo Carrà, Francesco Clemente, Cuoghi Corsello, Dadamaino, Giorgio de Chirico, Riccardo De Marchi, Mario De Maria, Filippo de Pisis, Arthur Duff, Bruno Fantelli, Matteo Fato, Robert Feintuch, Aldo Fallai, Lucio Fontana, Andrea Fontanari, Anna Galtarossa, Alberto Garutti, Aldo Grazzi, Janusz Haka, Jacob Hashimoto, Herbert Hamak, Bo Ljungblom, Emil Lukas, Markus Lüpertz, Luca Marignoni, Alberto Martini, Aran Ndimurwanko, Luigi Ontani, Chris Orr, Lucio Pozzi, Man Ray, Filippo Rizzonelli, Arcangelo Sassolino, David Simpson, Mario Sironi, Richard Smith, Diego Soldà, Arturo Tosi, Hema Upadhyay, Giorgio Vigna, Wilhelm von Gloeden, Bruce Weber.

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### **Venue**

Studio la Città, Lungadige Galtarossa 21 - 37133 Verona

### **Gallery opening hours:**

MONDAY 2 – 6 PM

TUESDAY/FRIDAY 9 AM – 1 PM and 2 – 6 PM

Saturday morning on appointment only to be made by Thursday

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