

PRESS RELEASE

Thanasis Lalas When A Tile Becomes A Door

1 March – 24 March 2022

"Materials and objects are the light!"

There are doors that lead to the other side of things, doors that help you see what there is behind the mirror; behind the obviousness of a reality...

Materials liberate the imagination—each in its own way. Materials lead to a revelation, to applied imagination, to the extension of what exists with all those we did not know they existed but they did.

What do I mean with all this?

It's quite simple. In recent years, in my artistic works I have given room to everyday objects and materials. I will often move out of the canvas to draw my dreams on rugs, on leather jackets, on napkins and plates, on fans, on plastic or wooden chairs, on cars and bicycles, on tables, on glass or fabric.

Three years ago I came across a shiny white bathroom tile that measured 20X20cm. I was thrilled! The acrylic pen glided on the white surface, and I could process the finer lines of my drawings with ease. I was hooked. Since then, I work on all studies for my works on tiles before I apply them on canvas.

At some point I realized that these works on tiles had something unique about them. I used my tiles to line bathrooms and tabletops or make wall-mounted works!



I first exhibited them as self-contained works at Thessaloniki. I was amazed with the response; it was impressive. Then I exhibited 30 small tiles in Volos, and now I am showing them in Athens for the first time.

The exhibition will be featuring 30 works on 20x20cm tiles

Exhibition opening: Tuesday 1 March 2022 at 18:00

Duration: 1 March – 24 March 2022

Opening hours: Monday closed

Wednesday - Saturday 11:00 - 16:00 Tuesday - Thursday - Friday 11:00 - 20:00

Admission to the exhibition is free.

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