

MARCO GRASSI

Marco Grassi (Gramal) is a painter of Italian origin, born in 1966. Grassi creates remarkable portraits thanks to their realism, always accompanied by a special touch and a pinch of surrealism. The artist gives special importance to the thoroughness with which he handles the details of his not-very-traditional subjects.

Since the beginning of his career, Grassi developed a very personal style which praises the identity of female subjects in the specific moment in which they are painted. With his intense female portraits, Grassi seeks to captivate the viewer by creating a silent dialogue between the subject and the audience.

Grassi's pieces are striking; they combine pure decoration and hyper-realistic color. In his most recent works, Grassi has abandoned the element that was once his trademark style and technique: the decisive brushstrokes which outlined his anatomic forms and lent a sense of stability to the whole of the figure, and contrasted with bold colors blended with spatula and drippings to break them down and make them more subtle. His recent subjects display less certainty, which once allowed the figures to integrate themselves fully with the complex weave of colors. Today, the background against which they are represented is more decisive and reflects the subjects' facial expressions and intense silence, creating a complicity with the observer.

Grassi's works have been exhibited in many solo and group exhibits, and international fairs such as Art Basel, Scope Art Fair and the Moscow Art Fair. He was selected to be at the opening of the Italian Pavilion, at the Venice Biennale in 2011.

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2016 "SuperGolden;" Ransom Art; London, England
"SuperGolden;" Liquid Art System; Capri, Italy
- 2015 "Gold Experience;" Aspen Art Gallery; Aspen, Colorado
"Superkids;" Gallerie Le Royer; Montreal, Canada
"City Girl;" Niche Space; Los Angeles, California
- 2014 "GOLD;" Franco Senesi Fine Art
"Royalty;" Galleria Modì; Mendrisio, Switzerland
"GoldGirls;" Komfort Gallery; Kazan, Russia
"Marco Grassi;" Helena Gallery; Ulyanovsk, Russia

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Selected Solo Exhibitions (continued)

- 2013 "GoldenAmerica;" WFCUSA; Phoenix, Arizona
 "SuperGoldIcons;" Saint Petersburg, Russia
 "The Gold Experience;" White Room; Capri, Italy
 "IconKids;" Stella McCartney Space, Milan and New York
 "Icons;" Gallery Vavilon; Samara, Russia
 "Presenze;" Loft Gallery; Corigliano Calabro, Italy
- 2012 "Color in retrospect;" Niche Gallery; Los Angeles, California
 "Our Lady;" Franco Senesi Art Gallery; Positano, Italy
- 2011 "Younguys;" 3401 Gallery; Miami, Florida
 "Thirteen;" LEO'S Gallery; Lugano, Switzerland
 "Thirteen;" LEO'S Gallery; Monza, Italy
 "SuperHeroes;" Jamel International; Perth, Australia
 "Why don't you take another little piece of my heart?" MA11; Atlanta, Georgia
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- 2010 "MarcoGrassi;" Kings Road Gallery; London, England
 "BeMyPrincessAgain;" Gallery White Provision; Atlanta, Georgia
 "BeMyPrincess;" LEO'S Gallery; Monza, Italy
- 2009 "Glamourgrama;" T35; Milan, Italy
 "Glamourgrama;" MA09; Atlanta, Georgia
 "Glamourgrama;" WFCUSA; Phoenix, Arizona
- 2008 "Girls Save the Pink;" Galleria Nuovospazio; Piacenza, Italy
 "Girls Save the Pink;" Villa Sartirana Giussano; Milan, Italy
 "Pink 4 1 Night;" Stefano Civati Art Consultant; Milan, Italy
- 2007 "Pink Velvet;" Novato Arte Contemporanea; Fano, Italy
 "Kissing the pink;" Spazio Contemporaneamente; Milan, Italy
 "La vie en rose;" Galleria Bortone; Paris, France
- 2006 "I LOVE Roma;" Galleria Laura Rossi International; Rome, Italy
 "SMALL;" Galleria Magrorocca; Milan, Italy
- 2005 "LOVE me tender;" Ex chiesa di S. Pietro in Atrio; Como, Italy

Selected Solo Exhibitions (continued)

- 2003 "Self-service;" Galleria Magrorocca; Milan, Italy
- 2002 "New paintings;" AMSTE; Lissone, Italy
- 2001 "Globalislamizzazione;" Studio Garibaldi; Milan, Italy
- 2000 "Metropolitani 2000;" Studio Garibaldi; Milan, Italy

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2017 London Art Fair; London, England
Scope, New York
- 2016 Art Miami, New York and Miami
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Context; Miami, Florida
- 2015 Art Miami, New York and Miami
Scope, New York
"Ritratti;" Galleria doppia V; Lugano, Switzerland
- 2013 Art Miami; Miami, Florida
Art Moscow; Moscow, Russia
Scope, New York
"System;" Bellano, Italy
- 2012 Artshow, New York
"Art Now!" Matalon Foundation; Milan, Italy
- 2011 54th Venice Biennale; Padiglione Italia; Venice
"STORYBOARD;" BonelliLab; Canneto sull'Oglio, Italy
"Brutta? No semplicemente unica!" Teatro Filodrammatici; Milan, Italy
"Fisionomia di una bellezza impropria;" Loft Gallery; Corigliano Calabro, Italy
- 2010 "Attention! Border Crossing;" Museum of Contemporary Art PERMM; Perm, Russia
"Ritratti;" Comune di Cento (Ferrara); Cento Italy

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Selected Group Exhibitions (continued)

- 2010 Museo Venturino Venturi; Loro Ciuffenna, Italy
- 2009 "Love Nest;" Revel; Milan, Italy
"Undercover;" Galleria Wannabee; Milan, Italy
- 2008 "Contemporary;" Superstudio; Milan, Italy
"Convivio;" Milan, Italy
- 2007 "Gimme Five;" Galleria Novato; Fano, Italy
"Film rouge;" Galleria Grafique; Bologna, Italy
"Figurandia;" Galleria La Roggia; Brescia, Italy
"La nuova figurazione italiana;" Fabbrica Borroni; Bollate, Italy
"Curve Pericolose;" Bastioni Porta Venezia; Milan, Italy
"Bonelli Lab;" Canneto sull'Oglio, Mantova, Italy
"Danze macabre;" Galleria Triangolo; Bergamo, Italy
- 2006 "Allarmi2;" Como, Italy
"Bang Bang my baby shot me down;" Galleria Novato; Fano, Italy
"L'Arte nell'uovo di Pasqua;" Complesso monumentale del Vittoriano; Rome, Italy
"Profumo di donna;" Galleria del Tasso; Bergamo, Italy
- 2005 "Seven...everything goes to hell;" Palazzo Pretorio; Certaldo, Italy
- 2004 "Quattro artisti per un premio;" Roberta Lietti Arte Contemporanea; Como, Italy
"Le dinamiche del volto;" Palazzo Ducale; Pavullo nel Frignano, Italy
"Girotondo il mondo la terra per terra;" Galleria Magrorocca; Milan, Italy
- 2003 "Cluedo;" Image Furini Arte Contemporanea; Arezzo, Italy
"Tattoo;" Bonelli Arte Contemporanea; Mantova, Italy
"Specchio;" Galleria Guidie Shoen; Genoa, Italy
"Contemporanea Giovani;" Ex Ticos; Como, Italy

Selected Publications

Korinek, Oliver; "Marco Grassi and his 'Gold Experience,'" *IDOL*; July 26, 2015

Selected Publications (continued)

Abadia, Mila; "Fidelidad al estilo figurativo en los lienzos de Marco Grassi Grama," *Arte a un Click*; June 15, 2015

"HUG+Kids," *Artflex*; July 10, 2014

Valsecchi, David; "Marco Grassi: Solodrawing2010," *Cima-Asso.it*; October 13, 2010

Video

Vojvodic, Vladimir; "*Oh! You Pretty Things by Marco Grassi*," August 25, 2016

Magnolia, Maria; "*Marco Grassi – Benvenuto*," September 3, 2013

Fiorellino, F.; "*Il soffio del colore- Marco Grassi*," January 18, 2012

Bianchi, Carlos; "*Marco Grassi: Be My Princess*," April 23, 2010

televisionet; "*Marco Grassi - (con)temporary Art*," November 4, 2008