

Giulio Cassanelli (born in 1979), lives and works in Bologna, Italy.

As a student in Bologna in the early 2000s Cassanelli developed a special connection with the camera, which led him to abandon his law studies and focus entirely on photography.

It's trough the lens of his camera that he first approaches a theme that will be consistent throughout his artistic research: the complicated relationship between time and self-determination. In his early works, images of scrap and rotten items, the artist tries to exercise control over the inevitable changes that time inflicts on people and things.

It's when he discovers a new medium, soap, that his research, abandoning all sorts of control, becomes fluid and mutual.

With the colored bubbles, result of an alchemy between soap, ink and gravity, Giulio investigates the philosophical meaning behind his interaction with an ephemeral trajectory. Like a breath, a pictorial snapshot or the trace of a perfect gesture, the fleeting bubbles are captured by the artist on different surfaces and are expression of an elusive moment that becomes tangible on paper: the bubble disappears but a trace remains, witnessing human presence and the unavoidable synergy between forces.

A shared authorship is eventually established and art becomes the result of an action-reaction relationship between the artist and the chosen medium.

Cassanelli has held solo show at renown galleries in Italy, Switzerland and Dubai, in 2009 he exhibited at La Venaria in Turin and took part in the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the Istanbul Biennal. His work is part of prestigious collections in Italy and abroad. In 2016 he co-founded Fatstudio.org, an artist run space that creates, develops and produces the format RAID.

## PERSONAL EXHIBITIONS

2017 Untitled, Showcase Gallery, Dubai.

2015 Kairos, LABS Gallery, Bologna, Italy.

2015 Kairos, MUST GALLERY, Lugano, Switzerland.

2012 Project Room, Fondazione Palazzo Magnani, Reggio Emilia, Italy.

## **COLLECTIVE EXHIBITIONS**

2016 Light Into Heavy, MUST GALLERY, Lugano, Switzerland.

2016 StreetScape 4, Como, Italy.

**2015** patchwork #2, MUST GALLERY, Lugano, Switzerland.

2015 #NuoviCodici, VIII Biennale di Soncino, (Palazzo Stanga Trecco) Cremona, Italy.

**2015** Heart Modulation I & II, Galleria Grossetti, Venezia, Italy.

2015 ARIA (Trasparenze), LUIS Università Guido Carli, Roma, Italy.

**2014** patchwork, MUST GALLERY, Lugano, Switzerland.

2014 Pulsar\_Arte e musica dallo spazio, INFINI.TO - Planetario di Torino, Torino, Italy.

2014 La Creazione, Mostra dei finalisti del Premio Artivisive San Fedele, Milano, Italy.

2013 bRIGHETTICASSANELLI, Art Jungle, Reggia Venaria Reale, Torino, Italy.

**2013** Artour-o, Premio GAT, Firenze, Italy.

2012 Follow Fluxus, Fondazione Palazzo Magnani, Reggio Emilia, Italy.

**2012** Oltre l'Attimo, Grossetti Arte Contemporanea, Bologna, Italy.

2011 Una collezione che attraversa il tempo - 1958/2011, Grossetti Arte, Milano, Italy.

**2011** White Meditation Room, Grossetti Arte Contemporanea, Bologna, Italy.

**2009** Past Is Not Alone, XI Biennale di Istanbul.

**2009** Imprimatur 2, Sant'Elena, Venezia, Italy.

2009 Target With Seven Faces, Galleria Emmeotto, Roma, Italy.

2008 On Rail - Arte Mobile, Manifesta7, Bolzano, Italy.

2008 Arte Fiera, Arte Fatta a Pezzi, Bologna, Italy.

## **ART FAIRS**

**2017** Arte Fiera, LABS Gallery, Bologna, Italy.

2016 Arte Fiera, MUST GALLERY & LABS Gallery, Bologna, Italy.

2015 Arte Fiera, MUST GALLERY & LABS Gallery, Bologna, Italy.

2014 The Others Fair, MUST GALLERY, Torino, Italy.

**2014** SetUp Art Fair, Bologna, Italy.

**2013** Arte Fiera, Zak Project Gallery, Bologna, Italy.

## **PRIZE**

**2014** Finalista Premio San Fedele Arti Visive.

**2013** Artour-o, Premio GAT, Firenze, Italy.

2009 Selected Work, Premio Celeste.