



APOSTOLOS CHANTZARAS

Apostolos Chantzaras develops his own visual world of bold lines, forms and saturated colors, drawing influences from Greek folk shadow theater, ancient Greek sculptures and Byzantine iconography. A rich legacy of symbols related to Greece, the sun, the islands, the sea and its fish, the cross, the bathers, all come together in a unique, perceptible artistic amalgam empowered by strong colors and intense movement. Yet the outcome is not verbose. Chantzaras succeeds in transforming it and making it something of his own.

He was born in Agrinio-Greece in 1977. From early childhood, he studied and worked in the atelier of Byzantine Painting beside his father, Eleftherios Chantzaras.

He studied painting in the Athens School of Fine Arts under Professor Chronis Botsoglou. He also studied fresco and photography in the Athens School of Fine Arts. He was nominated for the IKY scholarship in 2000-2003. In 2004-2005 he studied in Université Paris 8 in Paris. In 2008 he painted for the Greek Post (ELTA) the special stamp series "Greek Traditional Products". In 2011 he designed the cover for the novel "Glass Industry" by Menis Koumantareas, which was published by Vima newspaper, and the cover for the novel "Imaginary Adventure" by Alexandros Kotzias which was published by Kedros publishing company. In 2013 he designed the cover for the novel: "Olga or nothing" by Lito Pitiris, which was published by Kedros publishing company.

He has participated in several personal and group exhibitions in Greece and abroad. He lives and works in Athens and London. His paintings are part of private collections.

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EXHIBITIONS

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2018: "Yellow floor", Skoufa Gallery, Athens Greece
2017: "Psyches- Souls", Silk Museum, Piraeus Bank Cultural Foundation, Soufli
2015: "Sea Rhythm ", Skoufa Gallery, Mykonos
2014: "Myth & Sacrifice", Skoufa Gallery, Athens
2013: "Helios", Akroproro Gallery, Spetses
2012: "Acritans of the world", Museum of the Acritans of Europe, Palaiochora, Crete
2012: "Colours of Passion", Skoufa Gallery, Athens
2011: "Festivities at the Aegean Sea", Fish & Olive gallery, Halki, Naxos
2010: "Aegean Colour", Skoufa Gallery, Athens
2008: Papastrateio Megaro, Agrinio
2007: Skoufa Gallery, Athens
2004: EPASKT, Graduates Union of the Athens School of Fine Arts

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2018: Affordable Art Fair New York, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2017: Art Palm Springs, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2017: Affordable Art Fair New York, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2016: Affordable Art Fair London, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2016: Affordable Art Fair New York, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2016: Asian Art Fair Hong Kong, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2016: Affordable Art Fair Singapore, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2015: Affordable Art Fair New York, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2015: Affordable Art Fair Seoul, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2015: Affordable Art Fair London, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2015: Asian Art Fair Hong Kong, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2015: Affordable Art Fair Singapore, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2014: Affordable Art Fair Hong Kong, DECORAZON gallery (New York-London)
2014: "C. Botsoglou, V. Papanikolaou, A. Chantzaras", Akroproro Gallery, Spetses
2014: "Summer Exhibition", Skoufa Gallery, Mykonos
2014: Affordable Art Fair Hong Kong, DECORAZON gallery (London-New York)
2013: Affordable Art Fair Singapore, DECORAZON gallery (London-New York)
2013: International Exhibition, Galeria Mentana, Florence-Italy
2013: "C. Botsoglou, V. Papanikolaou, A. Chantzaras", Krateras art gallery, Oia- Santorini
2013: "C.P.Cavafy", European Cultural Centre of Delphi, Delphi
2012: "A.Fassianos, G.Stathopoulos, A. Chantzaras", Krateras art gallery, Oia- Santorini
2011: "Taste of Salt II", Posidonio Hotel, Spetses (Skoufa Gallery)
2010: "Erysichthon, a contemporary reading of the myth", Cultural Center "Leonidas Kanellopoulos", Elefsina
2010: "Sweet Summer", Historic and Folklore Museum of Aegina Municipality, Aegina
2010: "About Heroes", Municipal Gallery of Kalamata
2010: "Tracing Istanbul", Theological School of Chalki & Sismanogleio Megaro of Istanbul
2010: "The world's offerings", Kresov Museum, Poland