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Elias Papanikolaou
AKROVATES

11 November – 10 December 2022

Ikastikos Kiklos DL presents on **Friday 11 November 2022** the **solo exhibition** of **Elias Papanikolaou** titled « **AKROVATES** ».

The new exhibition of Elias Papanikolaou is a series of paintings made with pigment powders on canvas. Papanikolaou with the works of this series takes you to the heart of the daily paranoia in the city. Vibrant combinations, vivid colors, epidemics, wars, economic disasters, climate change, apathy, people as traveling clowns, walking fashion plates, middle-class and petit bourgeois crowds, sexy women and male stereotypes. Each image is unforgettably powerful. And each drawing is surprisingly fluent in describing the form of a frozen man sometimes a shadow of himself who as the artist himself says "runs after something he didn't explain. AKROVATES perhaps is a recreation of a world of Postmodernism fragments, full of illusions and contradictions.

Their world is a rope walking on a fluid and complex reality". What is extraordinary however is that although these people may be directly observed, they don't come directly from life. They have passed through the sympathetic imagination of the artist and almost become monuments of themselves. Papanikolaou's paintings describe the contradictions of a postmodernity where the question of recreating a world is always present.

Kriton Papadopoulos visual artist / UAL lecturer, London



Exhibition opening: Friday 11 November 2022 at 19:30

Duration: 11 November – 10 December 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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