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LAWRENCE CARROLL

"I want to go home"

Saturday, 18 February 2017

Buchmann Lugano, Via della Posta no. 2, Lugano, from **5.00 pm**
The artist will be present

On Saturday, 18 February 2017 at 5.00 pm, the **Buchmann Lugano** city space will present a large work by **Lawrence Carroll** (Melbourne 1954), an artist of Australian origin.

Carroll's work, often on the boundary between painting and sculpture, is pervaded by an intense sense of poetry and a subtle autobiographical imprint. His paintings have a great force of intensity, expressed prevalently by colour tonalities that recall the delicate shades of Morandi and others. His painting transcends the ordinary and transforms it into an emotive experience that resembles meditation. His art, as Gianfranco Maraniello writes, 'always refers to something else, if not to "everything else"; it evokes the past and announces the unthinkable'.¹ In his paintings, Carroll explores the very nature of painting as the artist himself writes:

Painting is something different for everybody.

Whether you look at them or make them. There is no one way to understand a painting and there is no one way in which they are made. This will forever always be.

My paintings don't come from the politics or turbulence of the world. My paintings come from moments almost lost in the passing day.

I carry with me these moments, stored,

buried away in a life that is passing, in hopes to rescue them and to give them the dignity they deserve.

Lawrence Carroll
Bolsena, Italy
December 6, 2016

From May 2017, for his solo exhibition at the **Museo Vincenzo Vela** in Ligornetto, **Lawrence Carroll** will also present works prepared specifically for the show in Ticino.

At the 55th Biennale d'Arte di Venezia, Carroll represented the new pavilion of the Holy See. His works are to be found in important public collections such as the Guggenheim Museum New York, MOCA Los Angeles, Museo de Bellas Artes Caracas, National Museum of Modern Art Tokyo, Städtische Kunsthalle Mannheim, Kunstmuseum Stuttgart, MASI Lugano, MART Rovereto, Villa Panza Varese and EMMA Museum Espoo.

For more information:

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Via della Posta no. 2, CH-6900 **Lugano**
From 18 February
Tuesdays to Fridays 1.00 pm – 6.00 pm
Saturdays 1.00 pm – 5.00 pm

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¹ G. Maraniello (curator), Lawrence Carroll. Ghosthouse, MAMbo, 2015, p. 20