Farah Atassi at Xippas Gallery, Geneva

BY BLOUIN ARTINFO | NOVEMBER 19, 2017





Farah Atassi "Psychedelic Setting 5" 2017 Huile et glycéro sur toile 130 x 160 cm @Annik Wetter (Xippas Gallery, Geneva)

Xippas Gallery presents the second solo exhibition by one of the most renowned Franco-Belgian painter Farah Atassi (/artists/farah-atassi-1723612).

This exhibition showcases the artist's latest works: six new paintings belonging to two series. The first series was initiated in 2012 which shows a double background-figure or double objects like "Player and Woman in a Rocking Chair", or a group of objects in still life, like "Still Life with Keyboard and Circus". The second series entitled "Psychedelic Setting", consists of paintings which are more abstract. Here the artist experiments with her idea of metamorphosis of objects and figures. Her painting style is based on geometric patterns evolving into objects like the 20th century European artists of the avant- garde. "I highly appreciate the direct and efficient painting style of the artists of the avant-garde, the economy of means that governs all of their compositions. I am often inspired by their synthetic vocabulary, by these simplified forms that vacillate between sign and figure, as in the works of Malevich, Leger or Herbin. Similarly, when I paint geometric elements, I want there to be a figurative dimension to my painting. Indeed, the modernist references often have these roles in my compositions: they allow me to create a type of figurative painting, but one that contains abstraction" says the artist.

Farah Atassi was born in Brussels in 1981. She has graduated from the National School of Fine Arts in Paris in 2005. She now lives and works in Paris. She was nominated for the Marcel Duchamp Prize in 2013. Her works have been included in many important collections.

Farah Atassi will be presented from November 11, 2017 through December 22, 2017 at Rue des sablons 6 and Rue des Bains 61, 105 Geneva.

For details, visit:http://www.blouinartinfo.com/galleryguide/galerie-xippas/overview (http://www.blouinartinfo.com/galleryguide/galerie-xippas/overview)