

# REGARDING NICOLAS CALAS

## SYMPOSIUM PROGRAMME

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International Symposium and Exhibition  
Athens School of Fine Arts  
Theatre-ASFA, 256 Pireos str., Athens

**Symposium:** 21 and 22 October 2016  
**Exhibition:** 21 October 2016 – 27 October 2016

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### FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER 2016

10:00-10:30

Registration and Coffee

10:30-11:00

Welcome and introductions

11:00-12.30

#### **Panel 1: Surrealism, Psychoanalysis and Form (in Greek)**

- Marilena Neokleous (University of Cyprus): Towards a freudo-marxist aesthetics? On Nicolas Calas's literary articles in the little magazines of the inter-war period in Greece
- Apostolis Artinos (writer and curator): Morphic affections
- Lilia Diamantopoulou (University of Vienna): 'Mirrors of the mind': Nicolas Calas through the Looking-Glass

12:30-13:00

Coffee Break

13.00-14.30

#### **Panel 2: Image and Technology (in Greek)**

- Elena Hamalidi (Ionian University): Calas & Takis: art, science and "poetic truth" in the "age of contradiction"
- Dorothea Konteletzidou (University of Western Macedonia): From the Icon to the Image
- Manolis Arkolakis (Hellenic Open University): Nicolas Calas and Film Theory

14:30-16:00

Lunch

16:00- 17:30

**Panel 3: Calas as Thinker (in Greek)**

-Alexandra Deligiorgi (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki): Nicolas Calas's Dialogue with Wittgenstein

Savvas Michail (writer/politician): Nicolas Calas and Super-heroism: Beyond Socrates and Nietzsche

- Nicos Hadjinicolaou (University of Crete): Hitler as Leader of a new Romanticism

17:30-17:45

Break

17:45-18:15

Denys Zacharopoulos (art director/historian/critic/curator): '4 Orientation Points: London, Athens, Paris, New York', my relation to Nicolas Calas

[in conversation with Irini Marinaki (in English)]

18:15-18:45

Plenary presentation/testimony: Joseph Dreiss (University of Mary Washington): Calas as Educator (in English)

18:45-19:00

Break

19:00-20:00

Plenary lecture by Mary Ann Caws (The Graduate Center, City University of New York): Nicolas Calas Doing Surrealism his Way (in English)

20:00

Reception and opening of exhibition

**SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER 2016**

10:00-10:30

Coffee

10:30- 12:00

**Panel 4: Calas as Collector (in English & Greek)**

- Chara Avlonitou (Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki): Calas's art collection: a critical presentation (in Greek)

- Joseph Dreiss (University of Mary Washington): Magic Icons: Nicolas Calas as Collector (in English)

- Jean Colombain (independent scholar and curator): Nicolas Calas's art collection: Of Intimacy, Flair and Tactical Instinct (in English)

12:00-12.30

Coffee Break

12:30- 14:30

**Panel 5: Criticism (in English)**

- Lena Hoff (independent scholar): Why Not Pop Art?
- Fay Zika (Athens School of Fine Arts): The contribution of Calas to the discussion on the sublime
- Etienne Charrière (University of Michigan/Koç University): On Transnational Avant-Gardes: Nicolas Calas and Portugal
- Effie Rentzou (Princeton University): Nicolas Calas, the avant-garde, and the rhetoric of error

14:30-16:00

Lunch

16:00- 17:00

**Panel 6: Calas in New York (in English & Greek)**

- Nikolas P. Kakkoufa (Princeton University): From Athens to New York: Calas' transcontinental quest for identity (in English)
- Irimi Marinaki (art historian): On Hieronymus Bosch: A Ramble through the Garden of Earthly Delights(in Greek)

17:00-17:15

Break

17:15-18:45

**Panel 7: Calas and Poetry (in Greek)**

- Spilios Argyropoulos (poet/psychiatrist): Nicolas Calas and the poetic 'in-between' (en-to-metaxi)
- Nikos Sigalas (French Institute of Anatolian Studies): Embiricos-Calas: A Conversation about Violence
- Leonidas Embiricos (historian): Andreas Embiricos' 1940 prose work 'Ta Tektainomena': a source for his friendship with Niki Kalamaris and its historical context

18:45 -19:00

Break

19:00-20:00

**Concluding Forum – Roundtable Discussion (in Greek):**

Spilios Argyropoulos, Christos M. Joachimides (TBC), Kyrillos Sarris, Nanos Valaoritis (TBC) et al.

End of symposium