

PRESS RELEASE

EXTENDED - EXHIBITION BY GERMAN ARTIST FLORIAN LAMPRECHT IN GALLERY KUSKOVU, PRAGUE

**Florian Lamprecht – Archaic Space – an exhibition of sculptures, copper reliefs and paintings
Gallery KusKovu (Piece of Metal)**

3. 6. – 30. 7. 2009

Tuesday – Thursday 1 – 6 pm

Florian's sculptures originated in his Berlin studio in a public process over a period of two and half years (2005 – 2008). The sculptures are of papermaché on wood and metal structures.

Their fabrication evolved over time, as a combination of collection, inspiration and serendipity combined to give the final, inspired sculptures. The exhibition in the Gallery KusKovu introduces six of these works:

MAN OF THE UNIVERSE – which represents crossing and exploring space

BIRD – which stands for lifting up, changing perspectives, flying, birth/potentials (egg)

BIG LOOKER – means entering a secret path into the head, the treasure is the chance of enlightenment, discovering a new way of looking at the world

HOUSE WITHIN THE WORLD – this sculpture is about home, life and death, way in and out, a place for meditation and freeing oneself

PILGRIM – represents searching, wandering, ways, detours and new paths

MAN AND BOAT – shows leaving to explore “the waters of life”

Lamprecht's work represents the exploration of the inner and outer world in the search of original space. His sculptures are symbolic examples of this process of nomenclature and moving beyond regular thought patterns. Copper reliefs and paintings also on show in the Gallery KusKovu deal with similar topics but explore the specific expressive potential of these media.

The process of creating of sculptures by Florian Lamprecht is documented on photographs by Margrit Reindhart.

About the artist:

Florian Lamprecht (1956) set off on his artistic career in 1973. Since 1977 he has presented his work at group and solo exhibitions in Paris and Tokyo (where he also lived in the 1970s), in Berlin, Munich, Basil, Hamburg, Copenhagen and other cities. Florian Lamprecht lives and works in Berlin. In June 2009 he introduces his project Archaic Space to the Czech public for the first time.

About Gallery KusKovu:

Gallery KusKovu (Piece of Metal) established in 2006 presents objets d'art, sculpture and jewellery made from metal or metal combined with other materials in its permanent collection. Gallery KusKovu introduces art pieces by Czech artist blacksmiths and goldsmiths, both experienced and recent graduates. Its priority is conceptual originality and exceptional craftsmanship. Gallery KusKovu regularly gives exhibitions of artists working with metal and other materials.

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