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Decalogo

Paolo Canevari alla Calcografia

Roma, Palazzo Poli (Fontana di Trevi), via Poli 54

Press preview, being the artist present, Thursday October 2nd at 5.00 pm.

Exhibition opening Thursday October 2nd at 5.00 pm.

The Istituto Nazionale per la Grafica presents *DECALOGO* a new project by the roman artist Paolo Canevari realized in the historic printing house of the Calcografia. Having had the chance to use the 19th century printing presses and the valuable experience of the printer master Antonio Sannino, the artist had the opportunity to create a serial yet unique work.

DECALOGO is the natural result of the constant attention dedicated to the work of Canevari by the Institute since 1999, when he was invited by the curator Luigi Ficacci to participate in the 23rd Biennial of Graphic Art in Ljubljana in the Italian selection.

Going through the different phases of drawing and etching Canevari realized ten large format copper plates. Having exhausted their function of matrix for the edition of only ten prints each, the sides of the plates were then bent and their surfaces chromed to become sculptural objects which include and reflect into the space the distinctive iconographic themes of the artist. The choice of the environment in which to operate and install the works is an important issue in Canevari's statement. *DECALOGO* was entirely realized in the printing house of the Calcografia: the place most well known for research on etching.

The project, was developed also thanks to support from the General Direction for quality and preservation of the landscape, architecture and contemporary art (PARC). *DECALOGO* has been documented in video by Ariel Genovese and will be part of the 4th Contemporary Art Day on Saturday October 4th.

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USEFULL INFORMATION

<i>Exhibition venue</i>	Roma, Palazzo Poli, Via Poli, 54
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