

PRESS RELEASE



IMAGES GIBELLINA





Cretto di Burri by Alberto Burri © Gianni Faraci

The incredible story of Gibellina

Located 45 minutes south of Palermo, Gibellina (Nuova) is an extraordinary architectural and artistic utopia built after an earthquake in 1968, leaving Gibellina (Vecchia) buried under the rubble. By calling the most avant-garde architects and artists of that time, the Mayor of Gibellina had planned a city for 20'000 inhabitants. Only some 3000 people live there today, and most of the buildings are as spectacular as they are unfinished.

The biennale takes place in and around these emblematic buildings: it extends to one of the most famous pieces of land-art in the world – the Cretto di Burri – by the artist Alberto Burri, a permanent and gigantic installation of some 100'000 square meters realized in 1984 from the rubble of the famous earthquake.

Many other artists have participated in the reconstruction of the new city by offering sculptures or performances: Joseph Beuys, Alighiero Boetti, Daniel Spoerri, Joseph Kosuth, Mimmo Paladino or Richard Long!



Stella del Belice de Pietro Consagra



Torre Civica de Alessandro Mendini



Sistema delle piazze by Franco Purini and Laura Thermes



Photo © Maurizio d'Ali

The collaboration between Vevey and Gibellina

After two very successful collaborations in 2019 and 2020, the Vevey and Gibellina biennials have strengthened their ties with a new name and a new logo for the Italian version. Images Gibellina will be held every two years, in summer, alternating with the Images Vevey Festival.

The organisation will be carried out jointly by Images Vevey (Switzerland) and On Image (Italy) based in Rome, under the co-direction of Arianna Catania (On Image) and Stefano Stoll (Images Vevey).

A new visual designedby the Lausanne-based Swiss-Italian graphic design duo Nicolas Polli and Jacopo Atzori symbolises the collaboration between the two entities, mixing the emblematic eye of Images Vevey with the symbol of the city centre typical of Italian road signs, in reference to the artistic programme that will occupy the city centre of Gibellina, both indoors and outdoors. Finally, this sun-shaped logo also evokes the summer season in Sicily.





Arianna Catana, director of Images Gibellina and Stefano Stoll, director of Images Vevey in Gibellina in 2019

The concept of the Images Gibellina biennale

Inspired by Images Vevey, the Italian version will also focus on monumental outdoor installations and artistic projects, tailor-made to fit inwith the incredible architecture of this small town steeped in history, located in southern Italy.

While this historical and artistic contextmakes Gibellina aparticularly inspiringsite, this collaboration around Images Gibellina is an opportunity for Images Vevey to share know-how, exchange artists, circulate projects and draw attention to this architectural utopia, while participating in its economic, social and cultural development.



Kublaiklan x Fontanesi at Images Gibellina in 2019



Kublaiklan x Fontanesi at Images Vevey in 2020



Olivier Lovey presented at the Festival Images Vevey in 2018



Olivier Lovey then presented at Images Gibellina in 2019



The performance of the duo Nico Krebs and Taiyo Onorato at Gibellina Images in 2019



The performance of the duo Nico Krebs and Taiyo Onorato at Images Vevey in 2020



È tempo ormai di dirti addio by Taiyo Onorato & Nico Krebs (CH)





*L'Homme Paysage*by Sophie Zenon (FR)





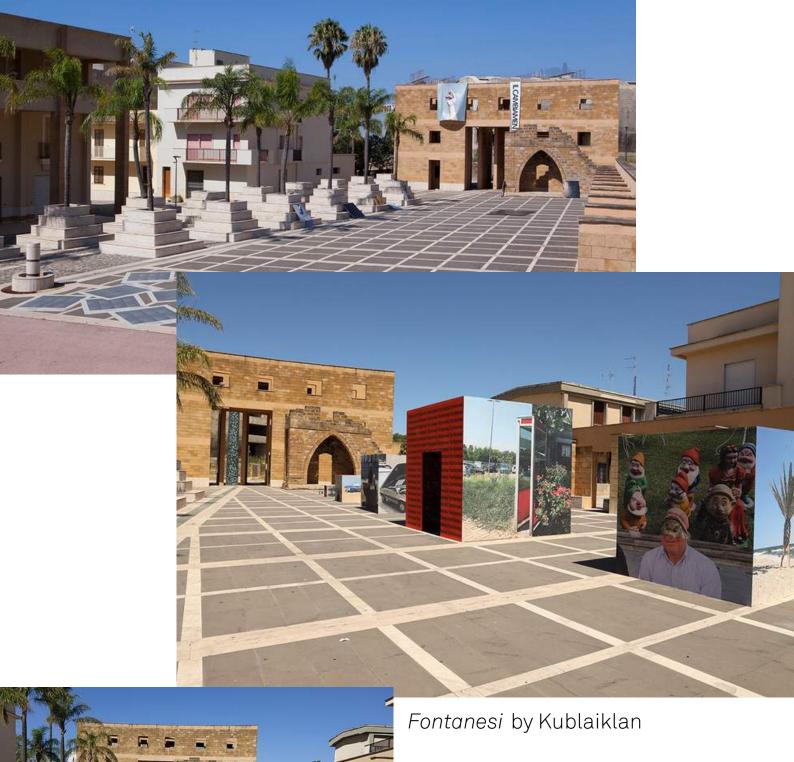






Miroirs aux alouettes by Olivier Lovey (CH)



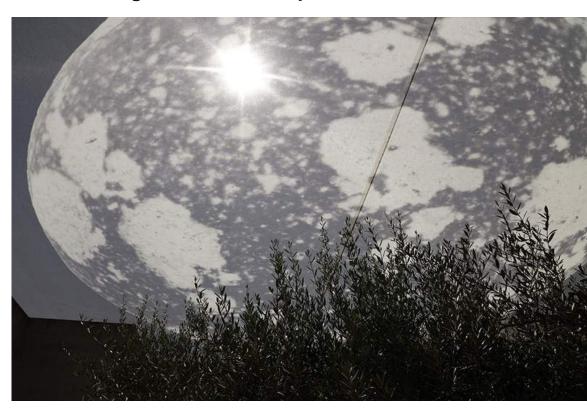








Ferox the forgotten archives by Nicolas Polli (CH)







Room by Manon Wertenbroek (CH)





Sputnik by Joan Fontcuberta (ES)







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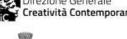
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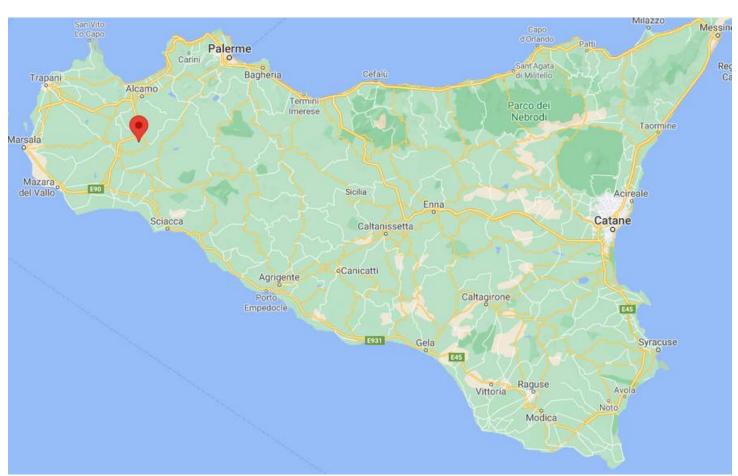
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