ELTJON VALLE



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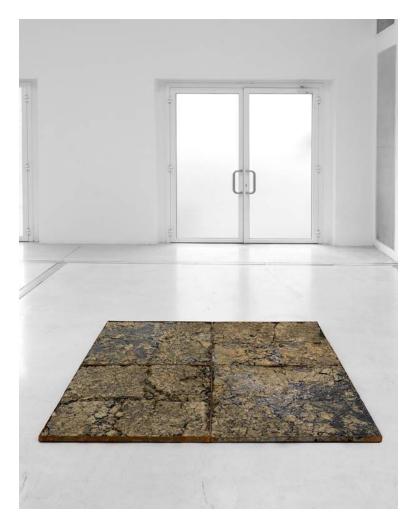
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900 Kg Mixed media 90 x 810 cm 2014 Triennale di Milano



400 Kg Oil On Earth Mixed media 90 x 270 cm 2014 Nuova Galleria Morone



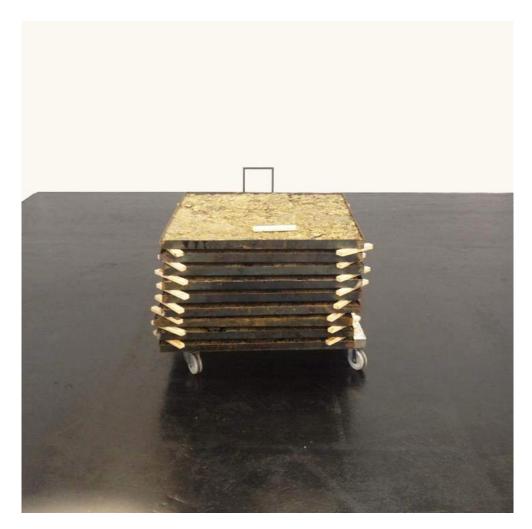
400 Kg Oil On Earth Mixed media 90 x 270 cm 2014 Galleria Studio la Città



400 Kg Oil On Earth Mixed media 90 x 270 cm 2014 Villa Olmo Como



900 Kg Mixed media 270x270 cm 2014 Artcologne



700 Kg Mixed media 90 x 150 cm 2014 Artcologne



Hymenoptera Mixed media 29 x 247 cm 2013 Nuova Galleria Morone



Hymenoptera Mixed media 29x 470 cm 2013 Nuova Galleria Morone



Earth Mixed media 50 x 50 cm 2014 Nuova Galleria Morone



Earth Mixed media 30 x 30 cm 2014 Nuova Galleria Morone



La Vita e Un Papillon Earth Petrol Butterfly 50 x 50 cm 2015 Museo Civico di Soria Naturale di Verona



Viewing Insallation Mixed media 100 x 100 , 200x160 cm 2013 Miart



Untitled Mixed media 100 x 100 cm 2013 Miart



Untitled Mixed media 50 x 50 cm 2013 Miart



Earth 2013 50 x 50 cm Artissima, Torino



Repert 2008 C-print 40 x 60 cm The National Gallery of Arts, Tirana



Earth No.1 Mixed media 80 x 60 cm 2009 Presented in O'Artoteca, Milan Private collection Courtesy of the artist



Earth No.2 Mixed media 50 x 70 cm 2009 Miart



Untitled Mixed media 73x92, 180x160 220x160 100x100 2010 Presented in O'Artoteca, Milan Private collection Courtesy of the artist



Mismeasuring the Present I 2007 Mixed Media 200 x 140 cm Gallery On TheMove, Tirana



Mismeasuring the Present II 2007 Mixed Media 200 x 140 cm Gallery On TheMove, Tirana



Nameless Land V Mixed media 120x 90 cm 2014 Artcologne



Nameless Land VI Mixed media 120 x 90 cm 2014 Artcologne



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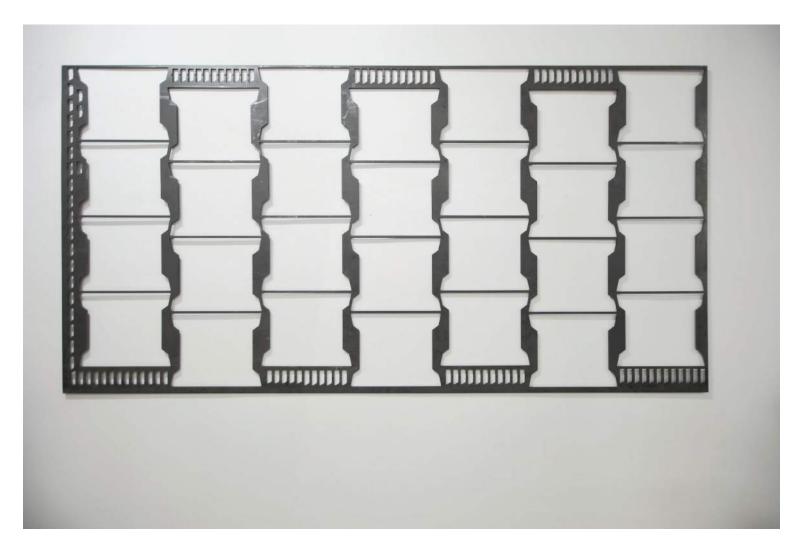
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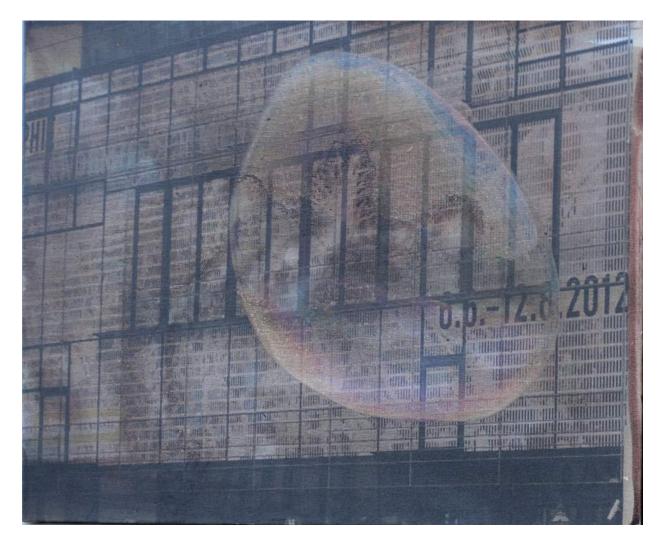
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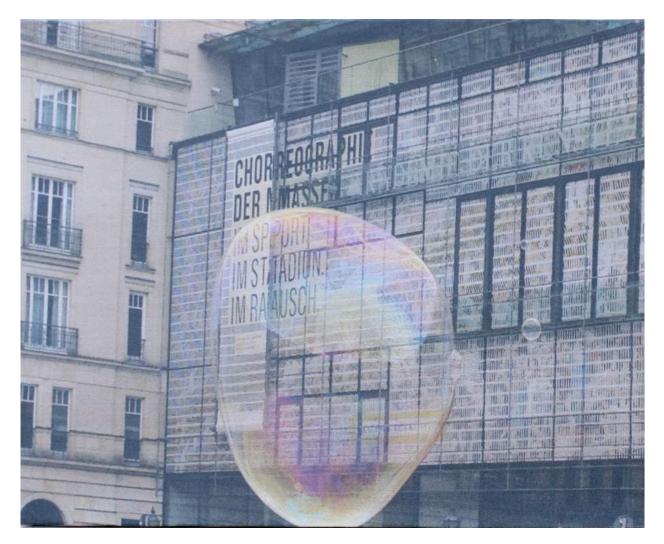
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Untitled Iron 126 x 250 cm 2013 Nuova Galleria Morone



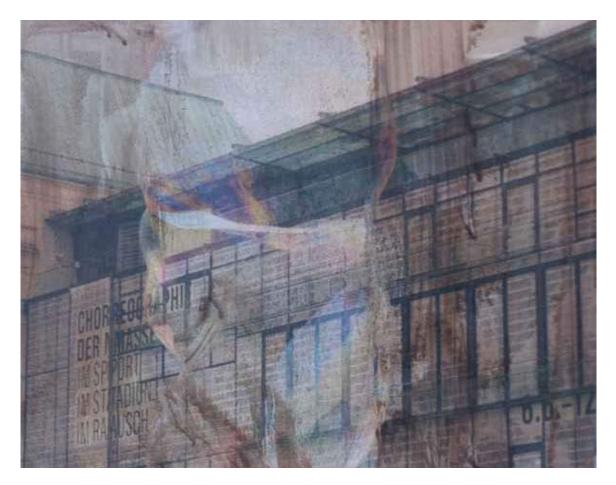
Cromosphere II Mixed media 40 x 60 cm 2013 Nuova Galleria Morone



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Cromosphere III Mixed media 40x 60 cm 2013 Nuova Galleria Morone



Cromosphere IV Mixed media 40x 60 cm 2013 Nuova Galleria Morone



Untitled Mixed Media 60 x 40 cm 2013



Untitled II Mixed Media 60 x 40 cm 2013



4800 Tons Oil C-print 170 x 90 cm 2008 Tirana The National Gallery of Arts



Marinz Project Color Sound Video 3´33´ 2010 Documentary about the process of the site specific land drawing the albanian oil territory. Bankers Petroleum LTD collection Presented in Taller Siete, Medellin Courtesy of the artist



Marinz Project Color Sound Video 3' 33" 2010 View Installation Presented in the Italianitudine Curated by Paolo Toffolutti Villa di Toppo Florio, Udine Bankers Petroleum LTD collection Courtesy of the artist



The Project reflects important histories: as there is no personality, this unidentified portraits cover up with adhesive could belong to anybody. Private collection Courtesy Bankers Petroleum LTD

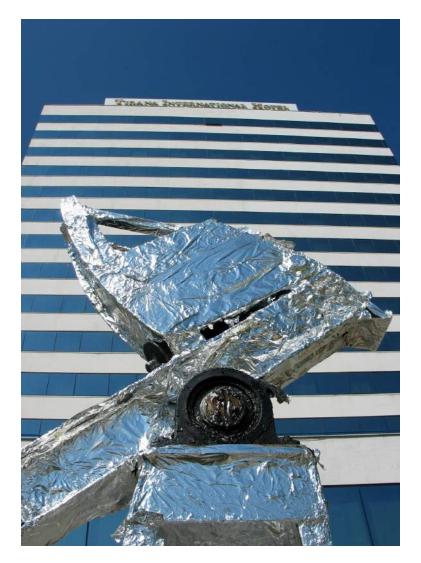
Island C-print 220 x 160 cm 2011



Island Site Specific Work Variable Dimensions 2011 View Installation Presented in the Albanian Pavilion Curated by Riccardo Caldura 54th International Exhibitions La Biennale di Venezia Courtesy Bankers Petroleum LTD



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3 Tons Mixed media Variable dimensions 2005 OFF, Biennale of Tirana



Petrol Pax Site Specific Work Variable Dimensions 2007 Sculpture Presented in the Public Art a Trieste e Dintorni Lungomare Venezia, Muggia, Trieste Six months period Collateral with Albania Pavillion Courtesy of the artist



Portraits No. 1 Mixed media 92 x 73 cm 2010 Presented in La Generale Sevres, Paris Private collection Courtesy of the artist



Portraits No. 2 Mixed Media 48 x 63 cm 2010 Presented in La Generale Sevres, Paris Private collection Courtesy of the artist



The Ship Song Mixed Media 100 x 100 cm 2009

Presented in La Generale Sevres, Paris Private collection Courtesy of the artist.



Detail L.T.D Mixed Media 25 x 25 cm 2007 Presented in O'Artoteca Provate collection Courtesy of the artist



Saturn Oil and petrol on canvas 160 x 120 cm 2011 Presented in Gallery On The Move Tirana Courtesy of the artist



Untitled Mixed media 90 x 90 cm 2013 Artcologne



William S. Burroughs Oil & Petrol on Canvas 60 x 40 cm 2012 Focus on materials' basic expression, not the traditional ones of the painting and sculpture, but of those of primary importance for the natural and urban dimension, is beyond doubt one of the most relevant contributes of the procedural and environmental art of the 60'-70'.

These experiences based on installations and interventions involving directly the external reality has been successfully adopted by many international artists of the last generations and developed in the awareness of their social, political and eco global impact. Eltjon Valle also decided to follow this direction, committing himself to a complex research engaging in different ways (from installations to video, from photo to paintings and draws) a raw material of crucial importance: the petroleum. Essential energetic source for the economic development of all the countries and, unfortunately, cause of terrible tensions and wars, the black gold has a strategically value and therefore, represents from a symbolic point of view a fully significant element that incites the collective imaginary. Engaging the oil with all its significations and implications in an artistic project it is a real challenge. Eltion Valle did so and successfully transformed a field exploration (on a specific area of oil fields in Albania) in an operation full of authentic esthetical energy, starting from difficulties of a given situation, brings up to life a multiple vision on different levels. The main theme of his work has a precise ecological connotation (which, in any case stimulates reflections and large suggestions). The Canadian company Bankers Petroleum Ltd, which took from the National Albanian Company Albpetroleum the concession of the Patos Marinza's oil field that has 32 kilometers square and hundreds of oil wells, asked the artist to study and to work out an intervention that could start a reclaiming process of a highly polluted land caused by the obsolete oil extraction techniques. Valle's project includes "site specic" (probabilmente "site specific") interventions on certain oil wells, aiming to transform an environmental damage condition into a strong esthetical signal to indicate the willing for a radical tendency inversion on the future. The exhibition at Tirana's National Gallery of Art is a sort of a documentary of this work in progress, but not in a simply descriptive way. The information data, the topographical maps, the photographic images and the videos and most of all the petroleum itself become materials for works of art that all together form an environmental installation with strong interconnected elements. In the middle of the large room there are two pieces of land fixed on two black cubes, each of them of one metre square, about twenty centimeters thick and oil-soaked. For the visitors it is a strong sensorial impact, non only a visual one, that because of the oil's harsh smell that fulfills the whole place. This physical presence so pregnant creates a particular atmosphere that also enriches the other works with suggesting. The video that illustrates from a close prospective the oil-wells' activity gets a stronger power as also the few but emblematical large photos showing, on their oily organic density, the black liquid that transudes from the ground or pollutes tiny streams of water that cross the fields. A more coldness analytical conception is the serial of the draws on translucent paper where the topographical synthetic definition of the numbered oil-wells and of the pieces of land between grills of roads and ways, becomes throughout a free elaboration a sort of a rich minimalist abstract composition. And finally, there are also two large paintings made on canvas with petroleum instead of oil painting. The result is pretty dramatic: dark surfaces with bituminous shims and drips from whom are hardly emerging yellowy human faces. Maybe these particular paintings may be read as a warning on the risks of a possible future ecological catastrophe.