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Couplet 7: Karel Appel, Domenico Bianchi, Georg Herold
Curator: Rudi Fuchs
19 November - 17 December 2011

Slewe Gallery is pleased to announce the opening of a special exhibition curated by art historian and writer Rudi Fuchs, entitled *Couplet 7*. Participating artists are **Karel Appel** (1921-2006, NL), **Domenico Bianchi** (*1955, IT) and **Georg Herold** (*1947, DE). The exhibition will open Saturday November 19 and will last until December 17, 2011.

The title of the exhibition refers to the famous series of *Couplet* exhibitions Rudi Fuchs curated at the Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam in the nineties of the last century. In these highly esthetic exhibitions he pointed out his unconventional vision, in which juxtaposed art works showed surprising dialogues, visually as well as in content. With a selection of recent never shown works by Appel, Bianchi and Herold *Couplet 7* is a follow up of these series in a condensed form.

Of Karel Appel, the great Dutch painter who died in 2006, two of his last and never exhibited paintings from 2004 will be shown. They are monumental works depicting a standing figure in a landscape. The Italian artist Bianchi will show two newly made works. He has developed his own technique of mixing wax and oil paint, sometimes combined with Palladium leaf. His images with a perpetuum mobile motive derive from computer programs. Herold, known for his sculptures and assembled paintings with unconventional materials, such as bricks, caviar, vodka-bottles and mattresses, will show a new sculpture of a 3 meters high standing figure. His work has a relation to arte povera, but also bears political connotations as a result of his East German background.

Fuchs has written a special statement for this exhibition. Designed by graphic designer Irma Boom it will be part of the show.

Slewe Gallery is open from Tuesday to Saturday from 1 to 6 p.m. and by appointment. Slewe Gallery is also open during the Gallery weekend from November 25 to 27 from 10 am to 8 p.m. For inquiries please contact the gallery at the address below.

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