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Ciudad de México. 1978

The artworks by Moris (Mexico City, 1978) establish a dialogue between his surroundings and his artistic production, using not only his ways of thinking and expressing art, but also his survival mechanisms in a social environment whose main element is insecurity. This dialogue consequently emphasizes on representation, social and subjective will, apart from urban issues and marginal cultures.

In his works, the social fabric operates as a research lab through which the artist observes, integrates and learns from different social codes of marginalized classes in Mexico City. As part of this creative process, Moris daily collects materials, data and traces thrown to the public space as evidences of the violent and cruel social dynamics that pervade his everyday context, urban and marginalized. In this sense, his practice of appropriating signs, techniques and creative processes, as an analysis of the visual cultures and vernacular aesthetics, are the artistic answer to a life experience characterized by the exclusion dynamics and the alternative communication that are forged in his surroundings.

For the project 'Cinturón de violencia' [Violence belt], Moris incorporates the authorities' lexicon on determining the social vulnerability and insecurity, marked by a deep despair on their inhabitants and by a constant cycle of oppression and quest for alternatives. The artworks that compose this project, hence, entangle the idea of social violence with the material collected daily by the artist from the streets - which is formerly arranged according to Dante Alighieri's 'Divine Comedy' – and with, ultimately, the real geographic spaces of Mexico City. The result is a set of nonconventional maps, diagrammed to occupy all the exhibition space, connecting the mapping made by Mexican authorities with layering operations of the street residues, such as advertisements, papers and photographs, handled to design a visual pleonasm, mysterious and seductive

These installations are, therefore, formally ferocious, raw and aggressive, searching to carry along the dangerous situations the individuals face daily. Their aesthetics are linked to Gustave Doré's - the artist whose works have determined the visual mindset on Dante Alighieri's literary universe – and presents the trails of these social dynamics in a hyperrealist format, as a provoking gesture on the public in a critical perspective over concepts such as resistance, concealment, survival and coexistence in alternative forms.

Moris

Has participated in the Biennials of São Paulo and Havana, and in group exhibitions at the Jumex Foundation in México, the Fontanals Cisneros Collection in Miami, the Artium Museum in Vitoria, the Musac in León. He has also had individual shows at the Museum of Contemporary Art of Los Angeles, the Museo Carrillo Gil in Mexico and the Sala Sigueiros.

His works can be found in the collections of the MoMA New York, the PAAM Miami, the Jumex Foundation in Mexico, the Fontanals Cisneros Collection in Miami, the Artium Museum and in many private collections.

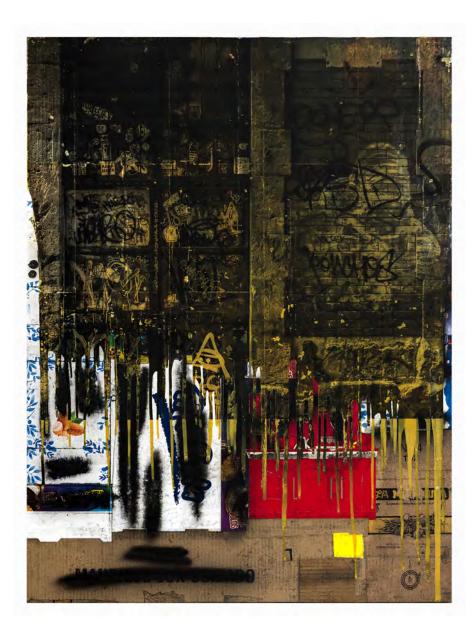


Bandera blanca III Collage, dirt and ink on canvas 213 x 150 cm





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El terreno se respeta E Collage on canvas, glue and transfer 120 x 90 cm





NO ESTOY MUERTO (Serie Letreros al cuello) 2012 Transfer on cardboard and rope 48 x 26 cm



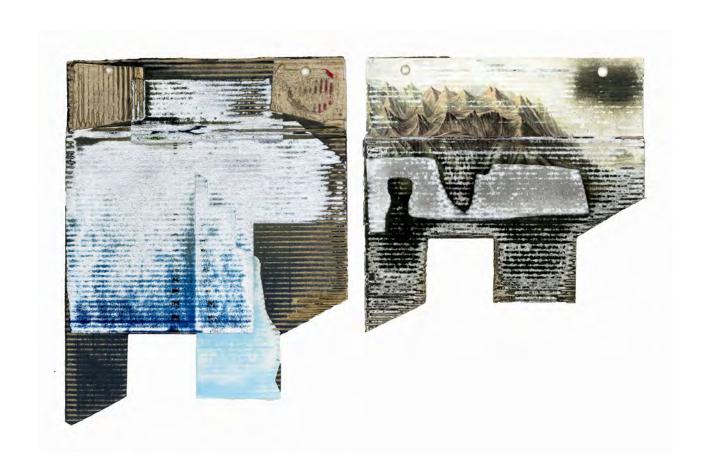


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Cinturón de violencia (LAMAMÁ) Collage, transfer, glue and plotter cut vinyl 120 x 180 cm



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MATARÍA POR DINERO (Serie Letreros al cuello) Transfer on cardboard and rope 42 x 26,5 cm



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Cartolandia II 2016 Collage and ink on cardboard 26 x 40 cm, diptych 26 x 20 cm, left; 19,5 x 19,5 cm, right



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Cartolandia I 2016 Collage on cardboard 26,5 x 47 cm, diptych 26,5 x 25 cm, left; 23 x 20 cm, right



MEADATERRITORIAL 2017 Collage and glue on paper 28 x 21 cm





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Collage on canvas
35 x 30 cm





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