

SURRENDER

Phil Griffin

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Phil Griffin, Personal cruelty (II) Gustav (2016)

Galeria Carles Taché and No 20 are proud to present for the first time in Spain the work of Phil Griffin. SURRENDER is a solo exhibition that features a body of work comprised of photographs created by the artist during a year long residency at Troubleyn/Laboratorium (Antwerp) that jointly offers a psychological insight into the 24-hour long performance of Jan Fabre's 'Mount Olympus: To Glorify the Cult of Tragedy'.

Trained as a dancer, Griffin's visual interests reside in the dynamic and primal energy of movement. For him, emotions and feelings can be seen as physical actions and, as such, tangible forms that he is able to record. The series presented in this exhibition explores themes of submission as expressed physically in the thralls of dance. The captured moments of individual abandon offer a vulnerability that convey the struggle, exhaustion, and ecstasy of motion.

The result of extremely personal and emotionally charged exchanges between Phil Griffin and the performers of Fabre's iconic play, the images presented can be interpreted as conversations rather than photographs, as shared feelings rather than pictures. SURRENDER offers a unique opportunity to enjoy images of painterly beauty that capture universal abstract notions such as fear, hope and vulnerability.

About Galeria Carles Taché and No 20

Founded in Barcelona by Carles Taché in 1986, Galeria Carles Taché specialises in the promotion of contemporary visual arts.

No 20 is a centre for contemporary arts based in London that opened in 2017. It hosts a programme of exhibitions, performances and events that support emerging and established artists working across all media.

The common interest in the support of emerging artists and the desire to present their work in the international scene led Galeria Carles Taché, Barcelona and No 20, London to establish a collaboration in 2017. This ongoing collaboration articulates a relation between both cities and helps to promote the artists involved beyond their immediate contexts. For more information please contact galeria@carlestache.com or info@no20arts.com

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