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#### PRESS RELEASE

# **UNTIMELY ON TIME: CHRISTOFOROS SAVVA (1924–1968)** (31 January - 31 March 2019)

## Opening and Events at the State Gallery of Contemporary Art – SPEL

The newly renovated site of the State Gallery of Contemporary Art – SPEL opens its doors to the public for the first time on the 31st of January 2019, presenting a large-scale survey show of Christoforos Savva (1924–1968), curated by Jacopo Crivelli Visconti. The exhibition is co-organised by the Cyprus Ministry of Education and Culture, Cultural Services and Point Centre for Contemporary Art, Nicosia, in conjunction with the participation of Cyprus in the 58th Venice Biennale (May-June 2019), which will be dedicated to Christoforos Savva.

Through more than ninety works, the exhibition *Untimely on Time* will present the inclusive, idiosyncratic diversity of Savva's production, thus paying homage to a major figure of Cypriot art.

The exhibition will be inaugurated on Thursday, 31st January, 20:00, by the Minister of Education and Culture, Mr. Kostas Champiaouris. The exhibition will be open to the public from 19:00.

The event is organised under the auspices of the President of the Republic of Cyprus, Mr. Nicos Anastasiades.

### PROGRAMME OF PRESENTATIONS & TALKS

### Friday 1st February

17:00 Guided tour of the exhibition by the curator, Jacopo Crivelli Visconti (in English, with consecutive interpretation into Greek)

18:30 Discussion with the curator and visual artists Giorgos Skotinos, Giorgos Kyriakou and Polys Peslikas (in Greek)

### Saturday, 2nd February

11:00 Discussion with Ghika Savva-Coyle and Polina Nicolaou on Christine Savva-Duroe's archive, presented for the first time as part of the survey show (in English, with consecutive interpretation into Greek)

12:00 Presentation by Achilleas Demetriades, Advocate, on the subject of 'Artists' Resale Rights in the Cyprus legal order' (in Greek)

12:30 Presentation of the publication The Memory of The Archive: Christoforos Savva in the 1954-1968 Cypriot Press & Literary Periodicals, Bom Dia Books, Ministry of Education and Culture, 2019, by the author Maria Panteli, sociologist (in Greek)

# STATE GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY ART – SPEL 73 Ammochostou Street, 1016 Nicosia

## **Opening**

Thursday, 31 January 2019, 19:00

### **Duration**

31 January – 31 March 2019

# **Opening hours**

Tuesday – Sunday 10:00-18:00, Saturday 11:00-20:00 (closed on public holidays)

# **Co-organisers**

Ministry of Education and Culture, Cultural Services Point Centre for Contemporary Art, Nicosia

## **Supporters**

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