

CAROLINA MAGGIO

OUT OF THE TWILIGHT ZONE

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“Before the day has ended, before the night will make everything seem different, out of the twilight zone I find freedom from myself, the image.”

Oaktree & Tiger Gallery is pleased to present “Out of the Twilight Zone” - a solo-show of an emerging artist Carolina Maggio.

Following her artistic pathway Maggio has been continuously exploring her inner self and the relations between the subconscious and the outside world. In attempts to bring together her vivid imagination and real life, which Maggio loves too much to exchange for the world of hallucinations, she discovered art as a means of healing. Maggio creates to liberate herself from her visions and the creatures born there, which are animated in her works. These wonderful and horrible inhabitants of the subconscious create the morphology of her inner life and emerge with stories to tell.

While speaking to the viewers from the darkness of the subconscious, Maggio’s works in the same time reflect these ideas from the bright side. This manner of expression could be tracked back to her travel to Mexico, where she first worked as a muralist and then escaped the cities to live with the natives in the rainforest. There she found the way Mexican people experience death, “with their vibrant colourful celebrations and ideas of an after-life” and “reprogrammed my ego driven mind to see life as a grander, mysterious playground for our wondering spirit”.

Maggio’s expressive paintings are the images from the world found on the border of subconscious, the twilight zone of human imagination, where erotic feelings and aggressive impulses - Freudian “death instincts”- coexist. In this space, where light and dark share surface and in the same time juxtapose each other, Maggio finds the state of beauty, which she calls art.

As the curator Ryan Godwin comments: *“The first thing that strikes you about Carolina Maggio’s work is the depth and scope of imagination. Each piece takes the viewer on a fantastical visual journey through the mind of a genuine talent...”*

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