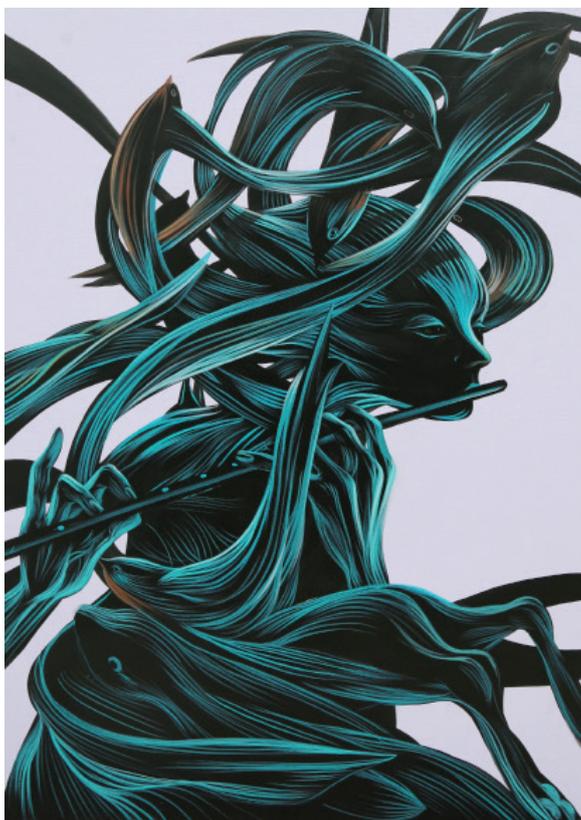


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«ATLANTIDE» PANTÓNIO SOLO SHOW

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“Atlantide” is Pantónio’s second solo show. Three years after his last exhibition, he is presenting new paintings at Galerie Itinerrance.

The title “Atlantide” is a tribute to the myth of Atlantis. Pantónio uses the story of this submerged island to better invite his spectators to enter his imaginative world : a paradisiac island now sunk into the ocean. The mythical character of this title emphasizes the poetic and fabulous dimension of his paintings. The reference to Atlantis is also a way to synthesize in one fictional place all the trips that the artist took all over the world in the last years.

As a matter of fact, Pantónio spent the last years travelling the world to paint huge murals. This experience greatly influenced his work on canvas. Invited in more than ten countries, he painted his bestiary over many continents. His murals representing moving animals are visible in Portugal, France, Italia, Ukraine, Poland, Tunisia, Maroc, Brazil, Canada or in the USA.

Pantónio’s murals are always influenced by their direct environment and the local people he meets there. Therefore, each wall is anchored in its context. The animals that Pantónio represent on walls, from a country to another, describe in a poetic way the human interactions that the artist witnessed. Each mural can be seen as a fable that narrates a personal experience or the artist’s vision on our society.

“Atlantide” is an exhibition that Pantónio created using his experience painting walls and adapting it to the context of the gallery. The birds, the fishes and the rabbits spread out on the canvas to tell us modern and social fables. The artist tries to fetch in his spectators feelings that they experienced during their childhood. His new paintings combine his unique touch, his flowing lines and a reduced color palette in dense and moving compositions.

OPENING

IN PRESENCE OF THE ARTIST

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2017

AT 6PM

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