



ANNOUNCEMENT

4TH DESTE PRIZE 2005

The Deste Foundation is happy to announce the names of short-listed artists for the 4th Deste Prize, which is awarded every two years to a Greek artist living in Greece or abroad. To this end, the Prize's Selection Committee convened on Tuesday, 22nd March and subsequently issued the following announcement:

Having examined all submitted portfolios and thoroughly discussed the work of nominated artists – always bearing in mind the criteria and thematic axes of the 4th Deste Prize – the Selection Committee has unanimously short-listed the following six artists:

- **Kostis Velonis**
- **Dora Economou**
- **Christodoulos Panayiotou**
- **Poka-Yio**
- **Stefanos Tsivopoulos**
- **Dimitris Foutris**

Kostis Velonis: For his romantic and ironic use of the language of a collective artistic past.

Dora Economou: For persistently reversing the inherent qualities of various materials through an approach based on manual labor and related to the way personal time is consumed.

Christodoulos Panayiotou: For his poetic comments on the classic dialectic of the language of romance.

Poka-Yio: For his emotional and humorous approach to issues of social violence.

Stefanos Tsivopoulos: For his investigation into the limitations of human awareness with respect to memory, time and real space.

Dimitris Foutris: For his iconoclastic attitude which is the result of juxtaposing a certain sub-culture and traditional iconographic references.

The Selection Committee unanimously wishes to note the high standard of nominations, which is telling of contemporary art's dynamic prospects in Greece.