



## DESTE Prize 2007

### JURY ANNOUNCEMENT

This year was a particularly strong showing for the DESTE Prize.

The Prize has been awarded to **Loukia Alavanou** whose video work displays a lightness of touch in its frank embrace of the strange, its mordant humor, and its witty mining of cinematic references.

Inspired by historical animation techniques, Loukia weaves narratives that transform a familiar Disney image into a surrealistic nightmare or fantasy.

Visually rich, Loukia's work displays a facility with her craft that we look forward to seeing develop.

The Jury members of the DESTE Prize 2007:

**Dakis Joannou**, President, DESTE Foundation

**Pawel Althamer**, Artist

**Laura Hoptman**, Curator, New Museum of Contemporary Art

**Hans Ulrich Obrist**, Co-Director Exhibitions & Programmes and Director of International Projects, Serpentine Gallery

**Amanda Sharp**, Publishing Director, Frieze Magazine & co-director, The Frieze Art Fair