



ΜΟΥΣΕΙΟ
ΚΥΚΛΑΔΙΚΗΣ
ΤΕΧΝΗΣ
ΙΔΡΥΜΑ ΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΥ
ΚΑΙ ΝΤΟΛΛΗΣ ΓΟΥΛΑΝΔΡΗ

ΔΕΣΤΕ

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Ίδρυμα ΔΕΣΤΕ
Εμ. Παππά & Φιλελλήνων 11,
142 34 Νέα Ιωνία
Αθήνα Ελλάδα

DESTE Foundation
11 Filellinon & Em. Pappa St.
142 34 Nea Ionia
Athens Greece

WWW . DESTE . GR
T — 30 210 27 58 490
F — 30 210 27 54 862

September, 2015

THE DESTÉ PRIZE 2015 AWARDED TO ANGELO PLESSAS

Museum of Cycladic Art
Stathatos Mansion
Vas. Sofias Ave. & 1, Irodotou st.
Athens 106 74

Duration: May 28 – September 30, 2015

Opening Hours,
Monday-Wednesday-Friday-Saturday 10:00-17:00
Thursday 10:00-20:00
Sunday 11:00-17:00
Tuesday Closed

Media Contacts:

Regina Alivisatos (DESTE Foundation)
regina@deste.gr

Lida Karanikolou (Museum of Cycladic Art)
lkaranikolou@cycladic.gr

For additional information on the DESTE Prize, please visit
<http://deste.gr/deste-prize/>



ΜΟΥΣΕΙΟ
ΚΥΚΛΑΔΙΚΗΣ
ΤΕΧΝΗΣ
ΙΔΡΥΜΑ ΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΥ
ΚΑΙ ΝΤΟΛΛΗΣ ΓΟΥΛΑΝΔΡΗ



Ίδρυμα ΔΕΣΤΕ
Εμ. Παππά & Φιλελλήνων 11,
142 34 Νέα Ιωνία
Αθήνα Ελλάδα

DESTE Foundation
11 Filellinon & Em. Pappa St.
142 34 Nea Ionia
Athens Greece

WWW . DESTE . GR
T — 30 210 27 58 490
F — 30 210 27 54 862

DESTE PRIZE 2015 – AWARD CEREMONY

The DESTE Foundation for Contemporary Art and the Museum of Cycladic Art are pleased to announce the winner of the DESTE Prize 2015.

During an Award Ceremony that took place on Monday, September 7, 2015 at the Museum of Cycladic Art, the DESTE Prize was awarded to **Angelo Plessas**.

On behalf of the Jury Committee, Mr. Bernard Blistène, Director of the Centre Georges Pompidou in Paris, made the following announcement:

“This year’s winner has impressed us with work that touches on both new technologies and ancient human concerns, among them community, the shading of art into life, and how we might reimagine ways of connecting with each other. This is a practice that is open, experimental, aesthetically adventurous, and combines complex thinking with humor, emotional warmth, and spiritual longing. We are delighted to announce that the winner of the 2015 DESTE prize is: Angelo Plessas.”

ANGELO PLESSAS – WINNER OF THE DESTE PRIZE 2015

Angelo Plessas’ work revolves around the issues of internet freedom and online personality that evolve through social media. The focus of his work is to network the offline with the online in ways that make us understand aspects of both conditions and to generate new ways of relating to both. Angelo Plessas’ work is a portrait of your online and offline self, Together. In the last couple of years, Plessas has been focusing on *The Eternal Internet Brotherhood*, a gathering and residency of sorts for internet artists that he organizes independently and crowdsources once a year.

Angelo Plessas was born in Athens, Greece in 1974. He lives and works in Athens. Plessas has presented his work in a number of exhibitions which include: “A Cab” curated by Valentinas Klimasauskas, Kunsthalle Athena, (2014), “Food” curated by Adelina von Furstenberg in MuCEM, Marceille (2014), “Scenes d’Europe” curated by Florence Derieux and Antoine Marchand, Frac Champagne-Ardenne (2013), Frieze Projects curated by Nicola Lees, Frieze London (2013), “Digitart at Studio 13/16” curated by



ΜΟΥΣΕΙΟ
ΚΥΚΛΑΔΙΚΗΣ
ΤΕΧΝΗΣ
ΙΔΡΥΜΑ ΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΥ
ΚΑΙ ΝΤΟΛΛΗΣ ΓΟΥΛΑΝΔΡΗ



Ίδρυμα ΔΕΣΤΕ
Εμ. Παππά & Φιλελλήνων 11,
142 34 Νέα Ιωνία
Αθήνα Ελλάς

DESTE Foundation
11 Filellinon & Em. Pappa St.
142 34 Nea Ionia
Athens Greece

WWW . DESTE . GR
T — 30 210 27 58 490
F — 30 210 27 54 862

Abdel Bounane, in Centre Pompidou, Paris (2013), "This must be the place", in Kunsthalle Athena (2013), "Rhizome/Fact 5 videos for the 2012 Liverpool Biennial", curated by Joanne McNeil and Omar Kholeif (2012), "Word of Mouth" at "Monodrome", 3rd Athens Biennale, (2011), the 3rd Thessaloniki Biennale, "A Rock and a hard place", curated by Paolo Colombo, Mahita Ebu and Marina Fokidis (2011), "The Angelo Foundation School of Music" curated by Stamatis Shizakis at the National Museum of Contemporary Art, Athens (2011), "Visual Dialogues", Onassis Cultural Centre (2010), "Spendid Isolation", 2nd Athens Biennale, curated by Cay Sophie Rabinowitz (2009), "Expanded Ecologies" curated by Daphne Vitali in National Museum of Contemporary Art, Athens (2009), "In Present Tense", National Museum of Contemporary Art, Athens (2007), "Her(his)story" curated by Marina Fokidis in the Museum of Cycladic Art, Athens.

DESTE PRIZE 2015 SHORTLISTED ARTISTS

Maria Hassabi (b. 1973, Nicosia, Cyprus)
Petros Moris (b. 1986, Lamia, Greece)
Yiannis Papadopoulos (b. 1975, Patras, Greece)
Angelo Plessas (b. 1974, Athens, Greece)
Socratis Socratous (b. 1971, Paphos, Cyprus)
Natali Yiayi (b. 1980, Nicosia, Cyprus)

DESTE PRIZE 2015 SELECTION COMMITTEE:

Andreas Angelidakis - Artist, Architect, Curator
Evangelia Ledaki - Curator, Art Historian
Dimitris Passas - Collector
Kostas Sahpazis - Artist, winner of the DESTE Prize 2013
Daphne Vitali - Art Historian, Curator, National Museum of Contemporary Art (EMST), Athens
Andre Zivanari - Director, Point Centre for Contemporary Art, Nicosia

DESTE PRIZE 2015 JURY:

Bernard Blistène - Director, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris
Max Hollein - Director, Schirn Kunsthalle Frankfurt, Frankfurt
Dakis Joannou - President, DESTE Foundation, Athens
Tom Morton - Writer, Curator, Contributing Editor, *Frieze* magazine
Jakub Julian Ziolkowski - Artist



ΜΟΥΣΕΙΟ
ΚΥΚΛΑΔΙΚΗΣ
ΤΕΧΝΗΣ
ΙΔΡΥΜΑ ΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΥ
ΚΑΙ ΝΤΟΛΛΗΣ ΓΟΥΛΑΝΔΡΗ



Ίδρυμα ΔΕΣΤΕ
Εμ. Παππά & Φιλελλήνων 11.
142 34 Νέα Ιωνία
Αθήνα Ελλάς

DESTE Foundation
11 Filellinon & Em. Pappa St.
142 34 Nea Ionia
Athens Greece

WWW . DESTE . GR
T — 30 210 27 58 490
F — 30 210 27 54 862

THE DESTE PRIZE

The DESTE Prize was established in 1999 and is awarded biennially to a Greek or Cypriot artist living in Greece or abroad. The prize aims to showcase an emerging generation of artists and is integral to the foundation's policy of supporting and promoting contemporary art. The winner of the prize is selected by an international Jury and is awarded the amount of €10,000.

Since 2009, the DESTE Foundation has been collaborating with the Museum of Cycladic Art, where the exhibition of the DESTE Prize shortlisted artists is hosted. This collaboration between the two art institutions has become an integral part of the Museum's "Young Views" program, which aims to develop a discussion with the younger generation, inform the general public about contemporary art and establish the appropriate environment for the fruitful exchange of ideas.

The year 2013 marks the eighth presentation of the DESTE Prize. Since its inception the Prize has been awarded to Panayota Tzamourani (1999), Georgia Sagri (2001), Maria Papadimitriou (2003), Christodoulos Panayiotou (2005), Loukia Alavanou (2007), Eirene Efstathiou (2009), Anastasia Douka (2011) and Kostas Sahpazis (2013).

The DESTE Prize 2015 will be on view at the Museum of Cycladic Art, Athens until September 30, 2015.

For more information on the DESTE Prize, please visit
<http://deste.gr/deste-prize/>