

**DESTE Foundation and New Museum in Collaboration with Benaki Museum,
Athens, to Present**

In a Bright Green Field

**Third Iteration of Collaborative Exhibition Highlighting Emerging Greek and
Cypriot Artists to Open in June 2025 in Athens**

Opening: Wednesday, June 11 at 20:00

Duration: June 12–September 13, 2025

Press Kit:

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Image: Nefeli Papadimouli, *Skinscapes*, 2021. Photo: Nazli Eldemirel

The DESTE Foundation and the New Museum, in partnership with the Benaki Museum, Athens, are pleased to present *In a Bright Green Field*, the third in a series of collaborative exhibitions highlighting the work of contemporary Greek and Cypriot artists. On view starting June 11, 2025, at the Benaki Museum / Pireos 138, Athens, *In a Bright Green Field* features the work of twenty-nine young artists exploring possible futures where renewed relationships with the natural world might

emerge and expansive approaches to community may flourish. Gathering artists working across a variety of mediums, this exhibition surveys some of the most exciting emerging practices in Athens, Nicosia, and across Europe.

The exhibition highlights a generation of artists who are particularly attentive to the local histories of Greece and Cyprus and the ways in which they are useful for thinking through larger global challenges. These artists register the dramatic changes to labor and landscape accelerated by technology, while working to highlight emergent forms of collectivity across both urban and rural life. Their works explore the poetics of infrastructure, pastoral science-fictions, urban animism, and generative collaborations that resonate far beyond the space of the museum. Ranging from lyrical painting and sculpture to experimental documentary film to communal performance, *In a Bright Green Field* looks at art practices that can serve as prototypes for myriad possible futures.

In a Bright Green Field follows the 2019 exhibition *The Same River Twice* and the 2016 exhibition *The Equilibrists*, organized by the DESTE Foundation and the New Museum in partnership with the Benaki Museum. It echoes previous projects by both the DESTE Foundation and the New Museum over the past four decades that have looked to contemporary art to address the most pressing issues of the day, and embodies the mission of the Benaki Museum, a historical museum with a contemporary program focused on bridging the past and the present.

The exhibition is curated by Gary Carrion-Murayari, Kraus Family Senior Curator, New Museum, and will be accompanied by a fully illustrated catalog published by the DESTE Foundation with new writing by Gary Carrion-Murayari, Athens-based curator and writer Danai Giannoglou, and Nicosia-based curator and writer Ioulita Tournazou.

In addition to the works on view in the museum's galleries, the exhibition will feature special performances and events by artists Despina Sanida Crezia (Wednesday, June 11 at 21:30), Anna Housiada (Saturday, June 21 between 16:30-19:00), and The Post Collective (Saturday, July 26) during the run of the show.

Artist List

Niki Analyti (b. 1994, Corfu, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Raissa Angeli (b. 1986, Nicosia, Cyprus)

Lives and works in Nicosia, Cyprus

Ileana Arnaoutou (b. 1994, Athens, Greece)

Lives and work in Athens, Greece

Vera Chotzoglou (b. 1992, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Anna Housiada (b. 1990, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Danae Io (b. 1993, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works between Rotterdam, Netherlands and Athens, Greece

Byron Kalomamas (b. 1993, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in London, England

Konstanza Kapsali (b. 1989, Thessaloniki, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Ismene King (b. 1993 Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Kyriakos Kyriakides (b. 1996, Nicosia, Cyprus)

Lives and works in Nicosia, Cyprus

Latent Community (Established 2017 in Athens, Greece)

Ionian Bisai (b. 1992, Saranda, Albania)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Sotiris Tsiganos (b. 1992, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Ioanna Limniou (b. 1987, Alexandroupoli, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Maria Louizou (b. 1988, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Marietta Mavrokordatou (b. 1996, Nicosia, Cyprus)

Lives and works in London, England

Polina Miliou (b. 1990, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Eleni Odysseos (b.1991, Famagusta, Cyprus)

Lives and works in Nicosia, Cyprus

Nefeli Papadimouli (b. 1988, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Paris, France

Theodoulos Polyviou (b. 1989, Nicosia, Cyprus)

Lives and works in Berlin, Germany

Sofia Rozaki (b. 1990, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Despina Sanida Crezia (b. 1998, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

David Sampethai (b. 1989, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Marios Stamatis (b. 1986, Larissa, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

The Post Collective (Established 2018 in Brussels, Belgium)

Mirra Markhaëva (b. 1992, Ivolginsk, Buryatia)

Lives and works in Brussels, Belgium

Elli Vassalou (b. 1983, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Brussels, Belgium

Theo Triantafyllidis (b. 1988, Athens, Greece)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Maria Toumazou (b. 1989, Nicosia, Cyprus)

Lives and works in Nicosia, Cyprus

Marina Xenofontos (b.1988, Limassol, Cyprus)

Lives and works in Athens, Greece

Damianos Zisimou (b. 1994, Nicosia, Cyprus)

Lives and works in Rotterdam, Netherlands

ABOUT DESTE FOUNDATION FOR CONTEMPORARY ART

The DESTE Foundation for Contemporary Art is a non-profit institution established in Geneva in 1983 by collector Dakis Joannou. DESTE engages in an extensive exhibition program that promotes emerging as well as established artists and aims to broaden the audience for contemporary art, enhance opportunities for young artists, and explore the connections between contemporary art and culture. The flexibility of DESTE's exhibition schedule enables the Foundation to respond to what is current in the art world, both nationally and internationally, and to embark on interesting projects as they emerge in today's society.

ABOUT NEW MUSEUM

The New Museum is the only museum in New York City exclusively devoted to contemporary art. Founded in 1977, the New Museum is a center for exhibitions, information, and documentation about living artists from around the world. From its beginnings as a one-room office on Hudson Street to the inauguration of its first freestanding building on the Bowery designed by SANAA in 2007, the New Museum continues to be a place of experimentation and a hub of new art and new ideas.

ABOUT BENAKI MUSEUM

The Benaki Museum is among the most extensive and innovative museum organizations in Europe. It was founded by Antonis Benakis in 1930 and subsequently donated to the Greek state. Arranged across a satellite network of six museum buildings, the Museum also features 5 archival departments and an extensive library, the Leigh Fermor House, offering residencies to scholars, and a collection currently holding a 500,000-strong inventory covering all periods of Greek culture as well as European, Islamic, Pre-Columbian, African and Chinese art.

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Discover the work of Greek and Cypriot artists in the exhibition *In a Bright Green Field* curated by Gary Carrion-Murayari of the New Museum, New York, and participate in Michael Klien's social choreography *Parliament*.

Tickets can be purchased in advance at tickets.benaki.org or at the Museum on the day of the visit.

In a Bright Green Field

June 12 – September 13, 2025

Benaki Museum / Pireos 138
138 Pireos & Andronikou St.
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Opening hours:

Thursday, Sunday 10:00 – 18:00

Friday, Saturday 10:00 – 22:00

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Closed

Closed in August

Exception: Friday, August 1, Wednesday, August 27, Thursday, August 28, and Friday, August 29 open only by appointment (+30 210 27 58 490) between 10:00-13:00 with at least 24-hour advance notice.

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