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Toygiants: Edward and Andy (2005)

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The first retrospective exhibition of the German artist couple Daniel and Geo Fuchs is currently running at ADN Galeria, giving art lovers the chance to see why there is such a big buzz surrounding their names right now. 'Works of a decade' is a great new show that includes snippets from the different series the artists have developed during their 10 years of working together.

It is possible to draw a distinction between their creative projects (Conserving, Famous Eyes) and their more socio-political ones (Toygiants, Stasi). 'Conserving' is a stunningly beautiful photographic study of dead fish, animals and humans floating in formaldehyde. The artists' masterful manipulation of lighting and sumptuous use of colour breathes new life into these specimens, some of which have been conserved like this for over 300 years. 'Famous Eyes' is more frivolous in tone; it consists of a collection of celebrity snapshots of our era's most famous personalities from the worlds of fashion, entertainment, literature and art. 'Toygiants' is different again with portraits of toy figures, miniature models of American comic heroes, muscle-bound idols, robots, Manga legends and film stars. George Bush and his arch-enemy Osama Bin Laden are also there, with their images enlarged into mammoth-sized prints that have an almost terrifying, iconic effect. Finally, 'Stasi' is a behind-the-scenes look at the eerie architectural legacy left by the German Democratic Republic in Berlin, featuring the place where political prisoners were interrogated. The photographs aestheticise the interiors of the

sinister settings with rhythmically-patterned compositions that are as brutally rigid as the political system was.

— Tim Clark

Works of a decade

ADN Galeria
Until January 19th
www.adngaleria.com

www.espaidep.com — Fontana: L3

► **Collectiva de Nadal 07** Various mediums ranging from paint to cloth have been used in the creation of this collection of works. Artists featured in the show include Judith Aldeguet, Olivier Anicet, Rubén Bertolin, Daniel Boada, Ivan Canals, Jordi Comas, Anna Espinardiu, Markus Hanib, Jessica Von Helmut, Susan Janser and more. *Until Jan 15th*

Espai Idep

Gran Via de les Cortes Catalanes 461, Tel. 93 239 0980, www.idep.es — Rocafort: L1
► **50 m2** Collection of works from students of graphic design, fashion and photography. *Until Jan 31st*

Espai Montcada

Av. Montañas de Comelles 6-8, Tel. 93 476 8600, www.fundacio.montcada.es — Espanya: L1 & L3
► Exhibition space housed inside Caixa Forum, dedicated to young contemporary artists.

FNAC Barcelona

Diagonal, Plaça Catalunya 4 — Catalunya: L1 & L3; L'illa, Diagonal 549
► Maria Cristina: L3; Diagonal Mar, Diagonal 3 — El Maresme/Terrassa: L4

► Three exhibition halls situated in shops on Diagonal (two separate venues) and Plaça Catalunya, hosting temporary art displays. ► **100 fotografias del Festival de Cannes por la libertad de prensa** Range of images by Italian photographer Emanuele Scorselletti from the Cannes film festival and featuring famous actors and actresses such as David Lynch and Sharon Stone. FNAC Triangle. *Until Jan 31st*

Fundació Antoni Tàpies

Aragó 265, Tel. 93 487 0315, www.fundaciontapias.org — Passeig de Gràcia: L2, L3 & L4

► CLOSED UNTIL JUNE 08. Permanent collection of works by leading Catalan contemporary artist Antoni Tàpies, housed in adapted Modernista building. Also has temporary exhibitions.

Fundació Casa del Tibet

Rosselló 188, Tel. 93 207 5966, www.casadeltibetbarcelona.org — Hospital Clinic: L5
► Cultural centre and foundation provides space for an ever-changing selection of talks, debates and exhibitions. Contact directly for more details or see website.

Fundació Cuixart

Plaça de Montjuïc 7, Tel. 93 319 1947,

www.cuixart.org — Jaume I: L4

► Permanent collection honours Modest Cuixart, a Barcelona native who died recently, as well as promoting the work of other local artists.

Fundació Foto Colectania

Julián Romea 6, Tel. 93 217 1626, www.colectania.es — Fontana: L3 and FGC Gràcia: L6 & L7

► Permanent collection of contemporary photographs. ► **Las partes y el todo: Colección H+F** Twenty photographers explore the duality between fragmentary and global visions of reality. *Until April 26th*

Fundación Francisco Godia

València 284, Tel. 93 272 3180, www.fundacionfgodia.org — Passeig de Gràcia: L2, L3 & L4

► **Barceló en las colecciones privadas de Barcelona** After 10 years without exhibiting in his home country, Mallorcan Miguel Barceló returns with this exhibition of rarely-seen works that belong to private collections. *Until Jan 5th*

Fundació Joan Brossa

Provença 318, Tel. 93 467 6952, www.fundaciojoanbrossa.cat — Diagonal: L3 & L5

► **Brossa-Colita** Photographs by Colita dedicated to the poet Joan Brossa. *Until Jan 31st*

Fundació Joan Miró

Pare de Montjuïc, Tel. 93 329 1908, www.ben.finoiro.es — Catalunya: L1 & L3

► The foundation's extensive collection provides a broad view of the different media in which Joan Miró worked, including paintings, sculpture, drawings, prints and tapestry. ► **Kawai Espai 13** hosts the work of young Japanese artists, including both art and clothing. *Until July* ► **Un cos sense límits** Over 80 paintings and sculptures by 41 artists from the 20th century help us understand how the body became a vehicle for the expression of emotion. *Until Jan 27th*

La Fruteria

Lleida 23, Tel. 93 426 5438, www.lafruteria.org — Poble Sec: L3 or Plaça Espanya: L1 & L3

► **Danes vs. Spains** Three Nordic artists face off against three Spanish artists. *Until Jan 5th* ► **Navidad Mundial** Works by seven artists from around the world: Alicia Cayuela, Robert Burt, Theda Clauss, Phuc Van Dang, Nana Andersen, Pezk Hamino and Claudia Caponi. *Until Jan 8th*

La Galeria

Consell de Cent 279, Tel. 609 386 517, www.la Galeria-art.com — Passeig de Gràcia: L2, L3 & L4 or Universitat: L1 & L2

► Contemporary gallery that hosts temporary exhibitions by local and international artists. ► **OPENING Anne Tamminen** Finnish photographer presents her collection of Barcelona photographs in pairs and mounted on silk, or pieces of glass or mirror and then lit from the back. *Jan 10th to Feb 9th*

Galería Alonso Vidal

Fontanella 13, Tel. 93 302 1024, www.alonsovidal.com — Urquinaona: L1 & L4

► Contemporary art gallery hosts activities and national and international artists of various backgrounds and techniques. ► **IV Premios Fundación Arena: "Pintura y Fotografía"** Award-winning art chosen by the Arena foundation. *Until Jan 28th*

Galería Antonio de Barnola

Palaus 4, Tel. 93 412 2214, www.antonio-de-barnola.com — Jaume I: L4 or Llac: L3
► **El Hombre Aranta Uruguayo** Works by Uruguayan photographer Marcelo Isarualde. *Until Jan 19th*

Galería Esther Montoriol

Diputació 33A, Tel. 93 224 86211, www.montoriol.com — Tetuan: L2

► **DelicARTessen 6** Selection of small format photographs, sculptures and paintings. *Until Jan 26th* ► **Lupe Ordoñez** Works by contemporary Mexican artist. *Until Jan 26th*

Galería Eude

Consell de Cent 278, Tel. 93 487 9386, www.galeriaeude.com — Passeig de Gràcia: L2, L3 & L4

► **Carne Aguadé** The material used by this Barcelona artist is important as the works that she produces. *Until Feb*

Galería María José Castellví

Consell de Cent 278, Tel. 93 216 0482, www.galeriamjcastellvi.com — Passeig de Gràcia: L2, L3 & L4

► **Arrels Jordi Sàbat** presents his views on nature through his use of roots in his paintings. *Until Feb 5th*

Galería H2O

Verdi 152, Tel. 93 415 1801, www.h2o.es — Fontana: L3

► Gallery collection ranging from jewelry to furniture with an exhibition hall that features different artists and styles.

Galería Hartmann

Sta. Teresa 8, Tel. 93 415 9556, www.galeriahartmann.com — Diagonal: L3 & L5

► **Xavier Miserachs** Vintage photos which explore society by renowned Catalan documentary photographer. *Until January 14th*

Galería Joan Prats

Rambla de Catalunya 54, Tel. 93 216 0290, www.galeriajoanprats.com — Passeig de Gràcia: L2, L3 & L4

► **Evrü** Painter's first individual exhibition features 45 pieces of mixed techniques. *Until Jan 10th*

Galería Jose de Ibarra

Aragó 232-234, Tel. 93 451 2052, www.galeriajosedebarra.com — Passeig de Gràcia: L2, L3 & L4

► **Cinc mons de gravat** Selection of prints from artists Enrique Brinkmann, Josep Guinovart, José Hernández, Mario Marini and Gabriel Villalba, who have all striven to capture modern Spanish life in their etchings. *Until Jan 31st*

Galería Maeght

Montcada 25, Tel. 93 310 4245, www.maeght.com — Jaume I: L4

► Permanent exhibition features artists Antoni Amat, Luc Doerflinger, Carles Giarro, Gonzalo Tena and Pep Trujillo.

Galería Safia

Bruniquer 9, baixos, Tel. 93 213 8496, www.galeriasafia.com — Joanic: L4

► **OPENING Voiles** Photographs by Angèle Etanah Essembe explore the symbolic nature of veils and how they represent, amongst other things, femininity. *Jan 17th to Feb 22nd*

Galería Senda

Consell de Cent 337, Tel. 93 488 2199, www.galeriasenda.com — Passeig de Gràcia: L2, L3 & L4

► **Björne Melgard** Australian painter questions various social taboos in his work. *Until Jan 5th*

Galería Senda Espai 2Nou2

Consell de Cent 292, Tel. 93 457 5711, www.galeriasenda.com — Atràs de Gràcia: L2, L3 & L4

► **Hell and Heaven** Murals of Mike Urmeneta and Andrew Buenafuente depict two very different scenes, though both were inspired by New York, the city in which they were created. *Until Jan 5th*

Galería Siesta

Fontanella 18, Tel. 680 879 157, www.siestavall.com — Catalunya: L1 & L3 or Universitat: L1 & L2

► Artists' studio in the Born hosts shows of local up-and-comers in photography, sculpture, painting and design.

Galería Toni Tàpies

Consell de Cent 282, Tel. 93 487 6402,