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Collective Exhibition - Mrdjan Bajic', Paolo Grassino, Bernardi Roig e Francesco Sena - Curated by Alessandro Demma

"Thus the perspective on identity is shifted to the root: the original belonging of the subject to himself, which is almost taken for granted, is toppled over into the extraneity of an ego constitutionally and originally decentralised from the self. The theoretical questions engender reflection on the concept of stranger and extraneous, and on the complexity of the latin word hostis, which means 'stranger' and simultaneously encapsulates within it the entire repertory of the semantic indications of otherness: the foreigner, the outsider, the enemy, the strange, the disorienting. These words denote situations that we encounter constantly in our daily experience, which allow us to understand, interpret and get to know ourselves better. This complex reflection has been addressed in a focused and attentive manner by mrdjan Bajic, Paolo Grassino, Bernardi roig and Francesco Sena; they use different techniques and languages to analyse the concept of alterity as an essential figure for addressing and knowing the self. Four artists who over the years, as they tread the uncertain paths of current art, carry forward work that is strongly yoked to these issues, with a specific focus on the notions of identity and difference, of innerness, of past and memory and of authenticity..." by Alessandro Demma