## GIUSTINI / STAGETTI

GALLERIA O. ROMA

## **DESIGN MIAMI/ BASEL 2017**

Giustini / Stagetti Galleria O. Roma: Booth G37

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On the occasion of Design Miami / Basel 2017, Giustini / Stagetti Galleria O. Roma presents a selection of modern and contemporary furnishings, set up according to the site specific project by dekleva gregorič architects.

The Ljubljana studio has been invited to design a space based on a more fluid and versatile idea of modern living and to reconsider traditional display systems as well. Following the vocation of the gallery, the project combines historically-recognized proposals with exclusive commissioned collections that create multiple levels of reading on the presented selection.

For the first time, the gallery exhibits a unique and exceptional furniture by Ettore Sottsass, realized in the early 1960s for the so-called "Casa con la bambina cinese". The tower-furniture was conceived as the main element of a private apartment in Milan "high from the floor to the ceiling and always different on its four faces, with shelves, counters, grates, columns, drawers, etc." More than a piece of furniture it's a temple, a monument or perhaps a giant toy, made of solids and voids, different perspectives and colors, an exemplary work by one of the greatest authors of the twentieth century.

Among the many italian authors of the twentieth century presented this year, the gallery exhibits for the first time, part of the rare furnishings designed in 1948 by the Italian architect Carlo De Carli for Casa Galli, a private residence in Milan. Trained in the firm of Gio Ponti, since he was young Carlo De Carli has studied the problem of the continuity between architecture and human space, each environment is built and defined by the owner's ways of living, the elements are minimized, the forms are dynamic, while the choice of materials and surfaces is determined by the function. Also the lamps designed by Sarfatti & Viganò, are part of Casa Galli furnishings, unique variants of pieces that at the time were in production.

On view also the most recent project of the gallery, presented for the first time in an international context and exclusively designed by Konstantin Grcic, among the most influential designer of the last twenty years. The furniture, part of the "Magliana Project", is presented as a corpus of limited edition elements, consisting of modular tables with integrated seating and suspension lighting, all executed entirely in concrete, inspired by the building principles of Italian architect Pier Luigi Nervi, inventor of the ferro-concrete. In sharing certain distinctive traits of Nervi's expressive engineering aesthetic, Konstantin Grcic pays homage to the great Italian genius with his latest work, which is destined to become a new classic of his repertoire, and of collectable design at large.

On the backround a large corpus of lights confronts different interpretation of the lighting design: from the light as a shape to the shape of the light, with the latest works by Formafantasma and losselliani Design. This year, the booth area appears divided into

two sections circumscribed within two circles, revealing two structuralism visions. On the left the circular curtain system of dekleva gregorič encloses the table of Grcic expressing a dogmatic semiprivate atmosphere, while on the right the disposition of furniture and seating on a circular carpet reflects a more open space organization.

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When

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Where

Hall 1 Süd, Messe Basel

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