



DUBROVAČKE LJETNE IGRE DUBROVNIK SUMMER FESTIVAL

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FIRST EXHIBITION AT THE 70TH FESTIVAL OPENED

Lauba's *Fascinations* in Sponza Palace until August 15

Dubrovnik, July 13, 2019. – Lauba's *Fascinations* – the first exhibition at the anniversary 70 Dubrovnik Summer Festival – was opened on July 12 in the atrium of the Sponza palace. The works of seven contemporary artists were presented to the Festival audience: Gordana Bakić, Marija Ujević Galetović, Duje Jurić, Alem Korkuta, Kristijan Kožul, Đuro Seder and an artistic duo from New York TARWUK. The Siniša Majkus work *Red Rock* is also showcased.

The concept of the exhibition is based on the Lauba artists' diverse artistic approaches. *Fascinations* also seeks to show the artists' distinctiveness and authenticity, the varieties among their artistic language, artistic attitude – their artistic "fascination". For some of them, art means pushing the boundaries of different media and exploring spatial structures, for others the initial inspiration to seek what is closest to us, and for some an attempt to preserve the permanence of the ephemeral. The selection of works and the display were done by the exhibition curators Jasmina Šarić and Jelena Pavlinušić.

The exhibition is open every day from 6pm to 10pm, until August 15. The entrance is free. After *Fascinations*, on 17 August, the *Festival backstage* exhibition by Marko Ercegović will be opened at the same spot. The Festival crowd will be able to take a peek at the fascinating behind-the-scenes workings of the Festival, usually out of their sight. Furthermore, August 7 will see the Dubravka Lošić exhibition *Encounter at the Depot III* opened at the former Radeljević Oil Factory.

The Dubrovnik Summer Festival – the centre of Croatian and global spirit and culture, a place of creation and not just a place of visit, a place of community, ideas and new artistic expressions, is traditionally supported this year by the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Croatia, the City of Dubrovnik, the Dubrovnik-neretva county and numerous other sponsors and benefactors who helped bring this most prestigious cultural event in Croatia to fruition.

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