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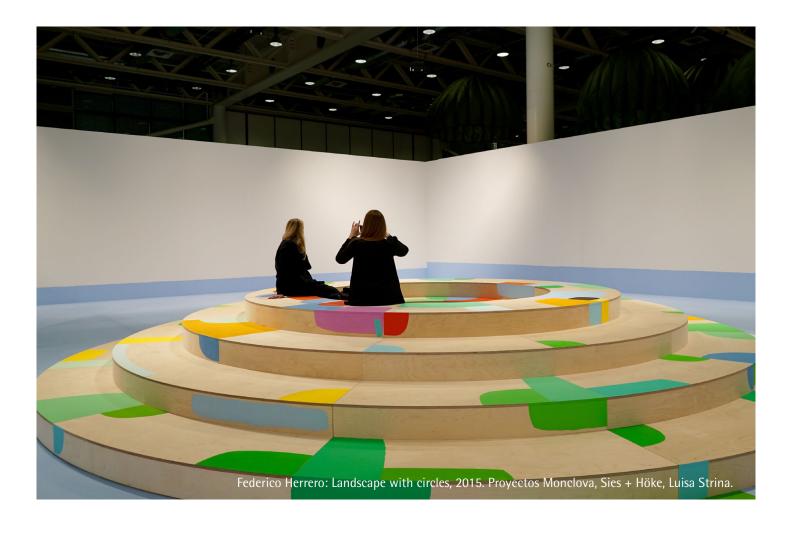
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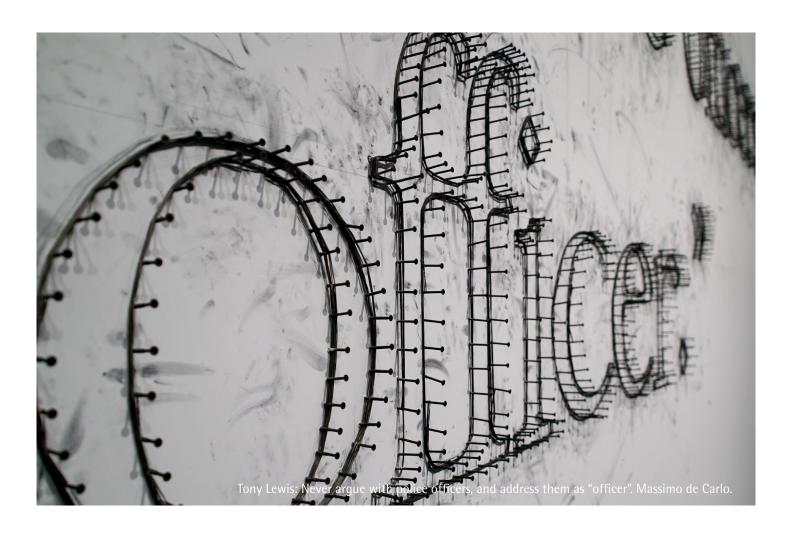
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Art Basel in Basel 2015

Sectors Unlimited and Parcours



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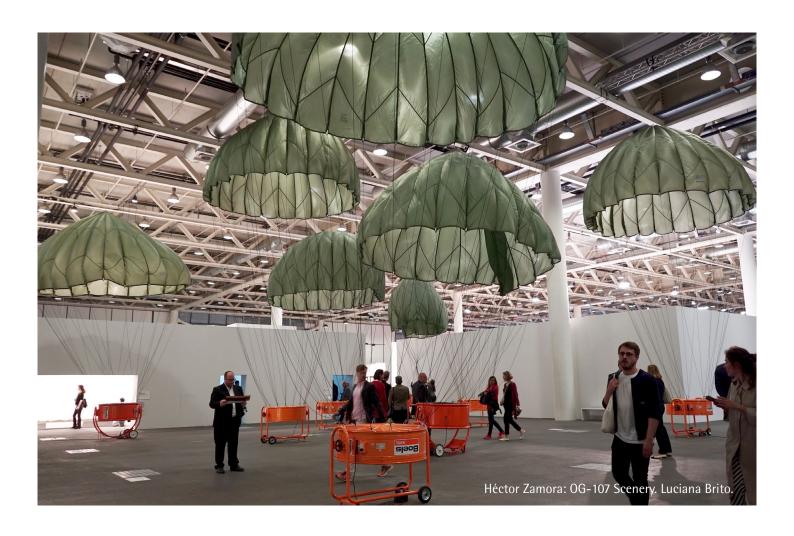




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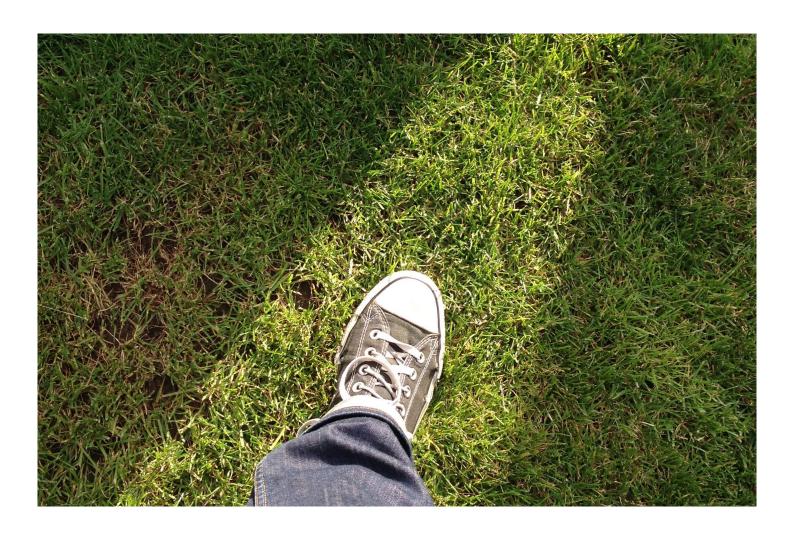
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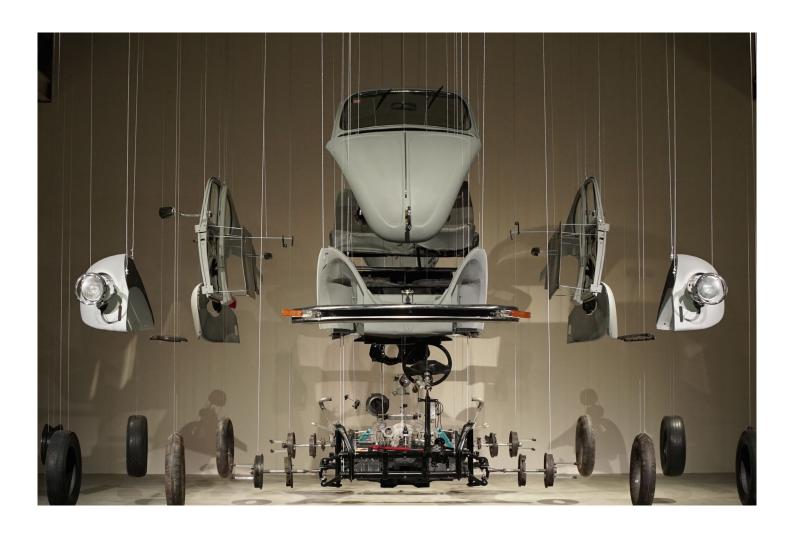




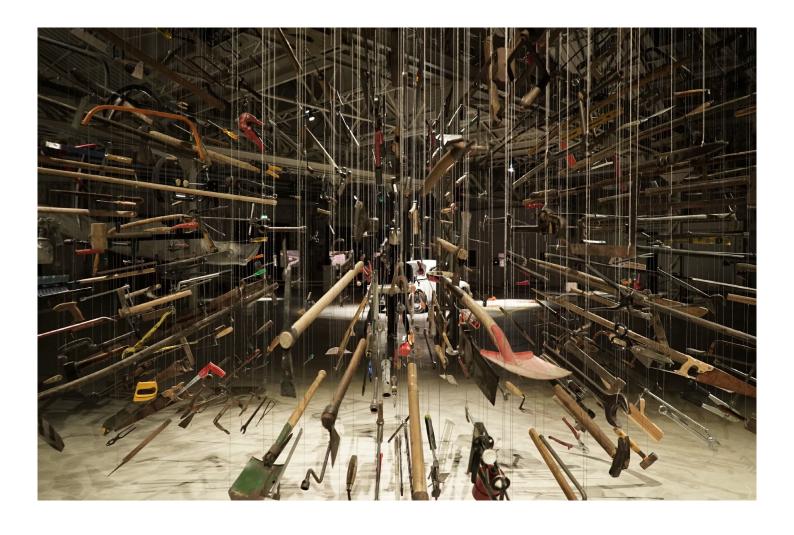
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Damián Ortega: Casino HangarBicocca Milan (Italy)

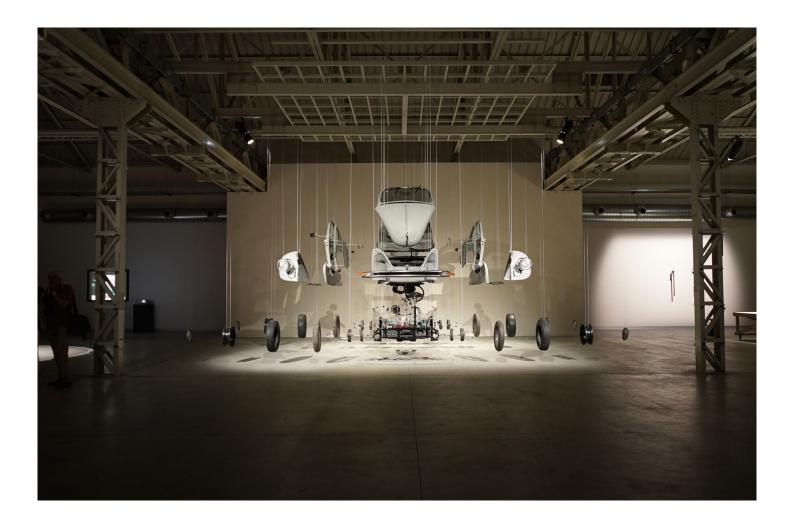


In June 2015 we attended the opening of Mexican artist Damián Ortega's solo exhibition Casino at HangarBicocca in Milan, Italy. Curated by HangarBicocca's artistic director Vicente Todolí, the show offers an overview of the artist's work that is characterized by the use of simple or recycled materials. On display are sculptures, installations, and films. On the occasion of the opening, Ortega's performance Moby Dick was presented, a work that is part of his Beetle Trilogy. The Beetle Trilogy revolves around the iconic Volkswagen Beetle car and includes a dismantled Beetle (the installation Cosmic Thing), a buried Beetle (the film Escarabajo), and a man "fighting" with a Beetle while the Led Zeppelin song "Moby Dick" is played. We had the chance to speak with the artist before the opening of the exhibition. In

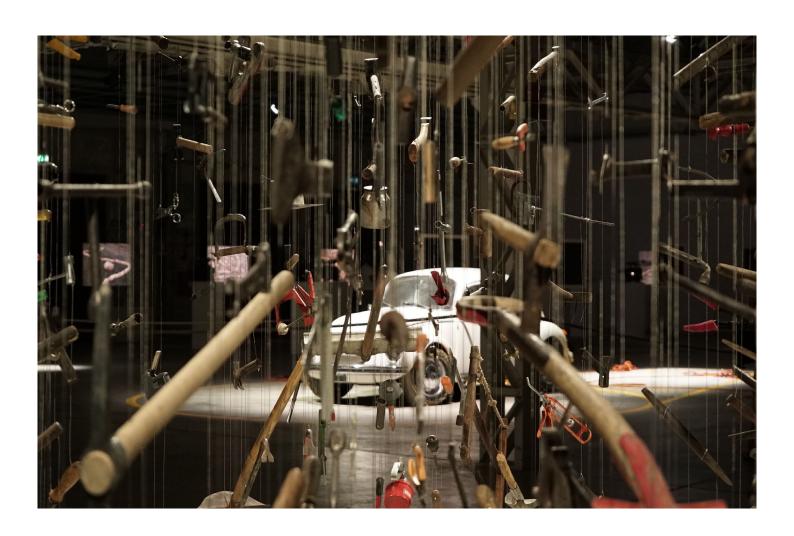


the interview we filmed, Damián Ortega talks about the basic concept of the show, the Beetle Trilogy, and his use of everyday objects and materials.

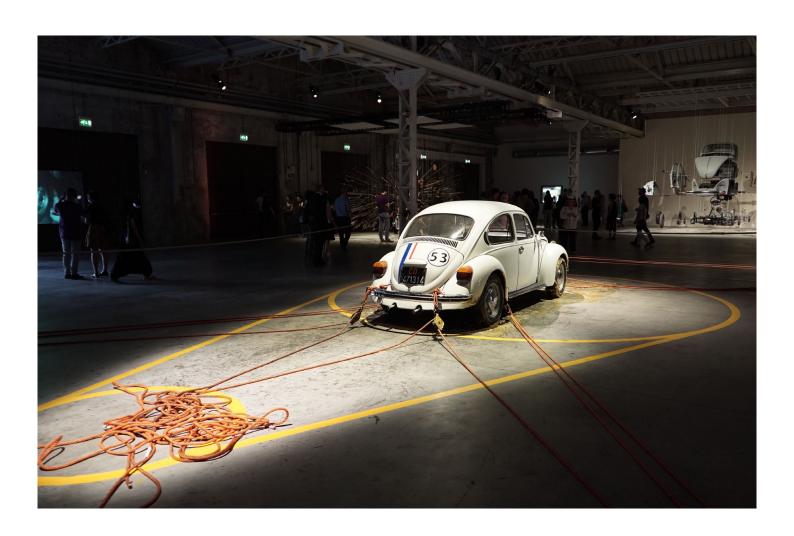
In addition to the Beetle Trilogy, the show presents works such as Controller of the Universe, an explosion of tools such as saws, pick-axes and rakes, a piece that expresses the artist's skepticism of blind trust in technological innovation, which time transforms into old-fashioned, obsolete forms; and Hollow/Stuffed: market law, a small replica of a submarine with biodegradable plastic sacks full of salt



hanging from the ceiling on steel cables. Damián Ortega was born in 1967 in Mexico City. He participated in major exhibitions such as the Venice Biennale (2003, 2013), the 4th Berlin Biennale and the 27th Sao Paulo Biennale (2006), the 11th Havana Biennial (2012) and the 12th Sharjah Biennial (2015). Many institutions have presented solo exhibitions of his work, including the ICA in Philadelphia (2002), Tate Modern in London (2005), the Centre Georges Pompidou in Paris (2008) and MAM in Rio de Janeiro (2015).











Venice Art Biennale 2015

Venice, Italy



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Filip Markiewicz: Paradiso Lussemburgo. Luxembourg Pavilion at Venice Art Biennale 2015 / Interview http://vernissage.tv/2015/05/13/filip-markiewicz-paradiso-lussemburgo-luxembourg-pavilion-at-venice-art-biennale-2015-interview/ --



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Camille Norment: Rapture. Nordic Pavilion at Venice Art Biennale 2015. Interview http://vernissage.tv/2015/05/15/camille-norment-rapture-nordic-pavilion-at-venice-art-biennale-2015-interview/ ---

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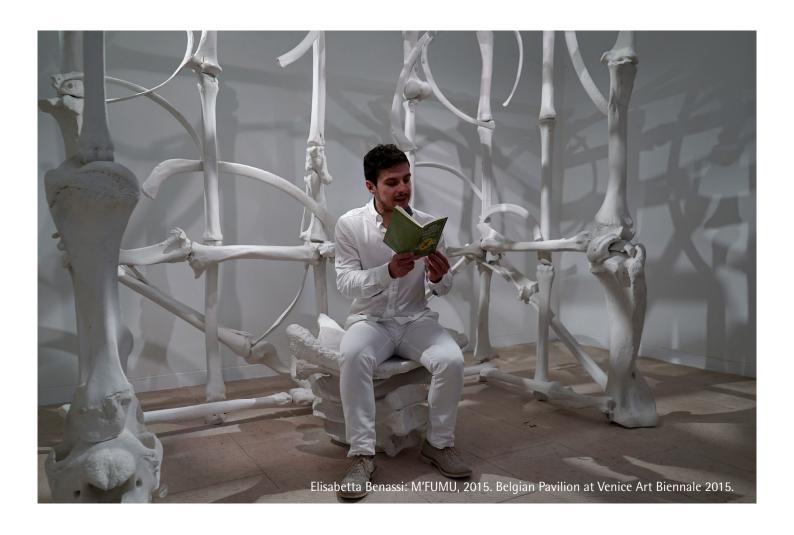
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Tsibi Geva: Archeology of the Present / Israeli Pavilion at Venice Art Biennale 2015 http://vernissage.tv/2015/07/10/tsibi-geva-archeology-of-the-present-israeli-pavilion-at-venice-art-biennale-2015/ --

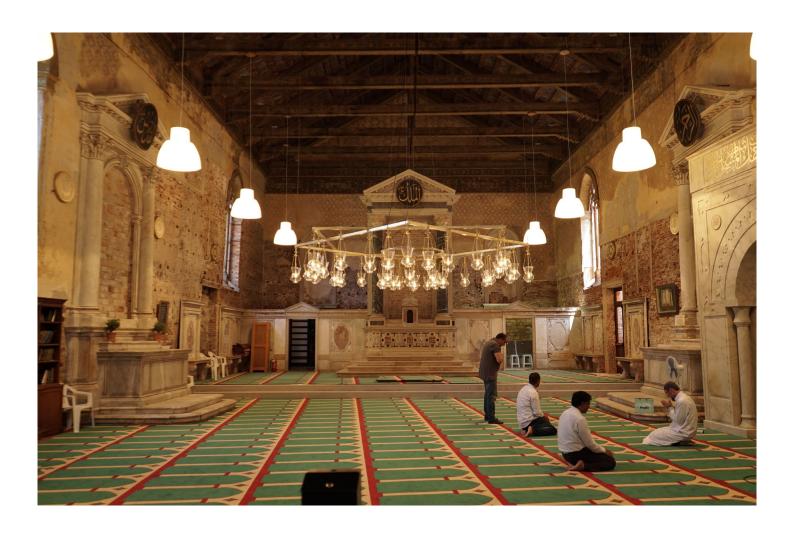


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Central stage in the Central Pavilion in the Giardini.





## Marlene Dumas

The Image as Burden Fondation Beyeler

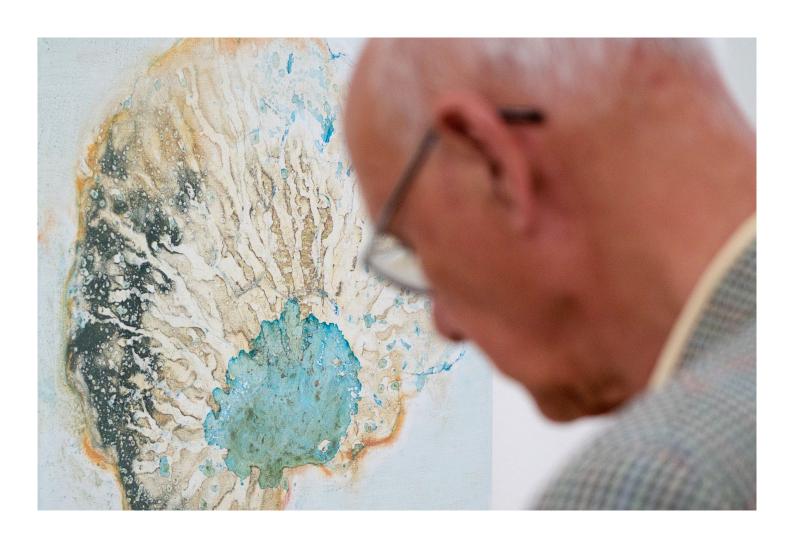


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## Julius von Bismarck

Egocentric System
Art Basel 2015
Unlimited Sector

Julius von Bismarck: Egocentric System. Art Basel in Basel 2015. Interview with Julius von Bismarck, June 18, 2015. http://vernissage.tv/2015/06/24/julius-von-bismarck-egocentric-system-art-basel-2015-interview/ -Transcript

Well, the first idea came step by step. I randomly found out that turning myself gives me really interesting experiences and I was just dancing on a dance floor in a club and just turned myself a little bit longer than you normally do while you dance and I found out that it got more and more interesting and then I really, like, did it as long as possible, like 10 minutes, 20 minutes, and it was totally amazing what happened, like, after a while I stabilized, I thought I was standing still and the world is turning around me, I saw faces flying around me and that had a very strong effect on the way of how I place myself in this society and it was a really strange feeling I got, and so I did that more and more, more and more experiments with it and I just, like, had to find a way to make an artwork out of that, because I was so affected by it.

I also went to other countries, I've been to Sudan for example where the Imam, they celebrate every Friday in a big circle, they all turn together. And, yeah, so I made a lot of experiments, I built a another work, it's a car where I changed the angle of the wheels, the front wheels and the back wheels, so it can only turn in a circle, and I was sitting in it and you cannot go, like, if you go fast, you just turn faster, and it just pulls you, like, in a really strange way, it, yeah, I got kind of addicted to these experiments, and this is the habitat, like a small living room, where you can really spend a long time, because in this car and on the foot you can only do a certain amount of time, like, in a car you don't want to sit there for longer than



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an hour, but here you can really spend days, and it's still changing: Now I've spent three days on it, and every hour that I'm on it, it's changing the experience.

People here watching me is an important part of the experiment. It would be completely different if it would happen in my studio. That's why Unlimited is a perfect spot for it, because I have permanently, like, 30 people staring at me, and they see me exactly, but I cannot see them. For me they are just like a river of faces that is floating around me and after a while I don't sense turning anymore. I think I'm standing still. It's just like everyone is turning around me, I'm the center of everything, and I'm very lonely in that center, it's a lonely feeling and it's changing, it's still changing. I'll go back on it now and it will take a while to get back into it but then I will hopefully discover new aspects of it.

Normally I build stuff myself, but this is a very special concrete technique that was needed to build it and I'm not an expert with this, so I work together with a German engineer, and he is a specialist in new concrete cast techniques; and it is a very new technique, so it was really complicated to make, because it was never done before like this, it's a very thin layer of ultra high performance concrete with glass fiber inside, and there's not a steel structure inside, it's a wood structure and very thin layers of concrete with glass fiber and with the new, like, design casting way that was never done before so it was a very complicated thing because it was done the first time so there was no experiences in this and it was a very interesting experience to work with that engineer to make this happen. I'm very happy with the result because yeah, any other material would have resulted in a very different style and this very thin minimal shape with only possible with this new technique.



You're asking a bit about for the red line maybe in my work and basically it's just my interest, it's just like how I see the world and some things like, mostly it's, like, perception, are the things that are interesting for me, like, how I see the world, how I place myself in the world, but this is very classic things that artists are interested in. It's more the media that you choose that make it appear more like that or like that and I like to work with technology. As a kid I was always playing around with machines, and then I decided to build my own machines, but I work with any media. Sometimes I do video, I do photo, I do whatever, but it always kind of serves my interest in how – I know it's a very simple word but it's very complex – like how I place myself in the world how it is possible to actually make a difference between me and what's out there.

The initial showing of it was really important because it's an experiment and you cannot like re-do an experiment because when you already know what's coming out the idea of an experiment is that you don't know what's happening and so I won't exhibit it again in a similar situation as here. For the next time it would be something different and everyone else is going to be on it, or I will be on it day and night. This wasn't possible here, because I want find out something new, and it's not interesting for me to do the same thing again but I would like to place it somewhere where people can be on it and experience that.





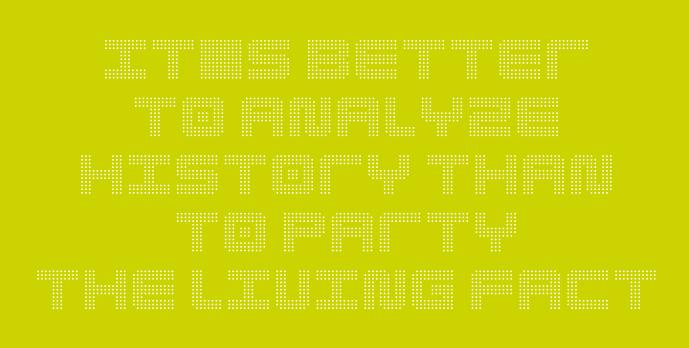


Henny Jolzer

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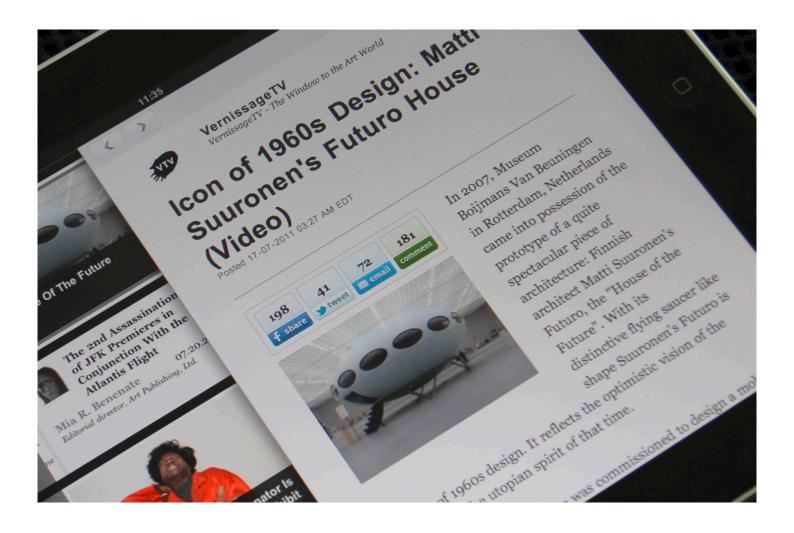


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