

## Mitja Ficko: The Star Stick

## 24 November–16 December 2023 MMC KIBI A/KiBela

You are kindly invited to the opening of the exhibition The Star Stick by the academic painter and artist Mitja Ficko, which will take place on Friday, 24 November 2023, at 7 p.m. at the KiBela, space for art.

The exhibition presents new artworks by Mitja Ficko, some of which have already been exhibited, but most of the works have not yet been presented to the public.

At the center of Mitja Ficko's work is the coexistence of abstract and figurative elements. His paintings are the result of a search for form and structure and predominantly take the form of collages. The narrative lines – if they are present at all – are usually extremely reticent, as the title of the current exhibition also expresses. Their associative field is wide open and often of secondary importance to the author himself.

The various series of paintings, which at first glance appear to contradict each other, point to a multi-layered painterly interest that branches out freely and without restrictions, not just two-dimensionally but multi-dimensionally, into an orchestrated arrangement of newly created works of art.

< Mitja Ficko: Hide-and-seek III, 2023, oil, spray on canvas, 240 x 190 cm. Photo: Mitja Ficko

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