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1. General Information

Barcelona, Neutral Zone (1914-1918)

25 October 2014 - 15 February 2015

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2. Press Release

Barcelona, Neutral Zone (1914-1918)

Curators: Fèlix Fanés and Joan M. Minguet

25 October 2014 - 15 February 2015

Fundació Joan Miró

The Fundació Joan Miró presents the early years of artistic, social and political modernity in the turbulent Barcelona of the Great War.

Sponsored by Fundación BBVA, the exhibition shows the changes that transformed Barcelona during the First World War, and how the city entered modernity against a backdrop of political, social and cultural tensions.

Through more than 400 original works including paintings, drawings, photographs, posters, films, illustrations and magazines, the curators Fèlix Fanés and Joan M. Minguet convey the cultural and social wealth that Barcelona enjoyed as a result of neutrality.

Barcelona, Neutral Zone (1914-1918) presents works by artists such as Picabia, Miró, Picasso, Delaunay, Gleizes, and Torres-García alongside original mass media material dating from the same period. The exhibition features some works that are being publicly exhibited for the first time, including drawings by Josep Clarà, Apa, and Picarol, and photographs by Josep Brangulí.

While much of Europe was embroiled in military conflict, Barcelona witnessed numerous cultural shifts: influenced by their trips to Paris, Catalan artists such as Sunyer, Gargallo and Togores joined the avant-garde; a wave of foreign artists fleeing the war (Picabia, Gleizes, Otho Lloyd, Olga Sacharoff and Arthur Cravan) arrived in the city; Picasso temporarily settled in Barcelona in 1917; some of the city's artists went to the front to capture images of the war; and the Exhibition of French Art was held in Barcelona rather than Paris, also as a result of the war.



Neutrality also brought broader economic, political, labour and social changes to the city. There were tensions between sympathisers of the Allies and the Germans, with propaganda from both sides in newspapers and magazines, and at the same time Barcelona entered industrial modernity with the first major strikes, a population explosion, and a boom in the availability of leisure activities such as sport, theme parks, nightlife and cinema.

The curators Fèlix Fanés and Joan M. Minguet draw on a wide range of visual works in their original formats to transmit the great cultural and social wealth that this period of neutrality brought to Barcelona. Mass-produced items and elements from popular culture share the exhibition space with paintings, sculptures and drawings. The tensions during this period were no longer just expressed in writing or through conventional artworks. They were also captured visually through photography and film, meaning that copies could reach a large part of the population.

Barcelona, Neutral Zone (1914-1918) is organised into nine main sections. The first, entitled *The Great War*, focuses on this military conflict that left sixteen million dead and twenty million injured due to the industrialisation of weaponry. It includes paintings by Léger, Kubin, Heckel and Nash, along with photographs that document the dead and wounded on the battlefields and that are exhibited for the first time. Posters, propaganda, press material and postcards are also used to illustrate this war, which was also the first in the mass media age.

The second room, *Modernity and the Avant-Garde*, offers an overview of the artistic vitality of Paris and its influence on Catalan artists who travelled to the City of Light in search of fortune and inspiration. This section shows how Cézanne's work made an impression on Sunyer, who in turn influenced Josep Togores and Joan Miró. The return of Catalan artists to Barcelona after the outbreak of the war opened the way for the birth of the avant-garde in the city.

The Great War brought thousands of people to Barcelona in search of work, refuge, or bohemian adventure. The resulting political and social changes are illustrated in the third section of the exhibition, *Bourgeois and Proletarians*, through magazines and photographs taken by the first generation of photojournalists. It includes objects and photographs by Brangulí and Ballell portraying the lives and possessions of the rising bourgeoisie, such as a Hispano Suiza car, an exhibited vehicle that contrasts with images of the working classes and their demands. Against this backdrop, Joan Miró's period of military service coincided with the general strike in 1917.



The fourth section, *Barcelona and the War*, shows how in spite of its supposed neutrality, the city was actually split in two: Allied and German sympathisers. It includes illustrated magazines that show the stance taken by the society of the time, as well as examples of magazines such as *Iberia* that were financed by foreign powers. Artists like Ricard Canals demonstrated their commitment by illustrating posters, while Ramon Pichot exhibited works based on the war in Galeries Dalmau. The show presents unpublished drawings by Josep Clarà, who captured life in the trenches in sketches drawn from life during a trip to the front by Catalan intellectuals, of which photographs and a film remain. The drawings reveal a hitherto unknown side of Clarà, beyond the more classical paintings and sculptures we are familiar with.

The City of Ivory, part five of the exhibition, transports us to the construction of the artistic and political project known as Noucentisme. Sculptures by Clarà and Casanovas share the space with works by Nogués, Obiols and Espinal, and ceramics and design also feature prominently. But the war also brought speculators, smugglers and prostitutes to the city, and the Barcelona by night was not at all like Barcelona by day. The city's nightlife is illustrated in the exhibition by erotic magazines, postcards of burlesque artists and drawings.

As the traditional annual art salons of Paris had been suspended during wartime, a group of Catalan artists suggested holding them in Barcelona. Around 1,400 works including oil paintings, sculptures, drawings, prints, and decorative art pieces were displayed at the Exhibition of French art held at the Palace of Fine Arts of Barcelona in 1917. The sixth room of *Barcelona, Neutral Zone* (1914-1918) presents a selection of these works, including some by acclaimed artists such as Pissarro, Rodin, Sisley and Denis, as well as photographs of the Salon itself by Brangulí. Some of these works were acquired by Catalan collectors, and are now being exhibited for the first time at the Fundació Joan Miró.

Exiled artists such as Albert Gleizes, Francis Picabia, Otho Lloyd, Sonia Delaunay, Robert Delaunay and Olga Sacharoff settled in Barcelona in the period between 1914 and 1918, and some of them came into contact with the city's art lovers thanks to the gallerist Josep Dalmau. Part seven of the exhibition, *Exiles* includes works by all of these artists, alongside unpublished photographs by Brangulí of the 1916 boxing match between Arthur Cravan, anarchist poet and younger brother of Otho Lloyd, and Jack Johnson.



The eighth part of the exhibition is dedicated to Picasso, who returned to Barcelona in 1917 on the trail of the tour of the Ballets Russes, where his future wife Olga Khokhlova was a dancer. Picasso's stay in the city caused a stir in the press at the time. His set designs for the ballet *Parade*, the publicity material for the show, and some of the works that he produced during these months in Barcelona are displayed in this room.

Barcelona, Neutral Zone (1914-1916) comes to an end with a space that looks at the leisure, consumer, and mass culture of the time. The introduction of the Sunday Rest Law in 1904 led to an explosion of available leisure activities, and organisers turned to advertising as a way reaching the masses: sporting events, theme parks, bullfights, circus and film - the heart of the new twentieth century culture. This last section illustrates the flourishing consumption of leisure through visual material produced by mechanical means: posters, magazines, photographs and films. It includes the projection of the first comic anti-war film of the twentieth century, Charlie Chaplin's Shoulder Arms.



3. Curators

Fèlix Fanés (Barcelona, 1948) is Professor of Art History at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

Co-founder of the magazine *Arc Voltaic* (1977) and founding Director of *L'Avenç* (1977-1979), Fanés set up the Art History courses at the Institut d'Humanitats de Barcelona (1987-1992) and launched the Study Centre at Fundació Gala - Salvador Dalí in Figueres (1991-2000). He specialises in contemporary visual culture and has published numerous studies on 20th century art, film and literature such as *Salvador Dalí*. *The construction of the image* (Yale University Press, 2007) and *Joan Miró*. *Pintura*, *collage*, *cultura de masas* (Alianza Editorial, 2007). He curated the exhibitions *Dalí*. *Mass Culture* (CaixaForum, Barcelona / MNCARS, Madrid, 2004), *Dalí* and *Films* (Tate Modern, London / MoMA, New York, 2007) and *Picasso 1899*. *Un collage abans del collage* (Museu Picasso, Barcelona, 2012). His non-academic publications include the journalistic essay *La vaga de tramvies de 1951* (*Una crònica de Barcelona*) (Laia, 1977), the novel *La germana fosca* (Destino, 1988) and *Diari de guerra*. *Nova York*, *tardor 2001* (L'Avenç, 2011), a diary describing the three months he spent in New York following the World Trade Center attack.

Joan M. Minguet Batllori (Cornellà de Llobregat, 1958) has a PhD in Art History from the Universitat de Barcelona and teaches Contemporary Art History and Film History at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. He has been the President of the Catalan Association of Art Critics (ACCA- AICA Catalonia) since 2010.

His work connects the Catalan artistic avant-gardes with the tensions and overlaps between high and mass culture – literature, art, film and circus – in Catalonia, and with the history of early film. He has published over 25 books in these fields, including Segundo de Chomón. The cinema of fascination (2010); Joan Miró (2008); Buster Keaton (2008); Salvador Dalí. Cine y surrealismo(s) (2003) and Cinema, modernitat i avantguarda (2000). Minguet has published academic articles in specialised journals and has also curated several exhibitions on Joan Miró, Salvador Dalí, the Catalan avant-garde and the world of the circus. Joan M. Minguet is author of the book of poems Pensacions (2010).

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4. Selection of works in the Exhibition

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Room 1: The Great War. The First World War left sixteen million dead and twenty million wounded as a result of the industrialisation of weaponry. This room displays works by the painters Léger, Kubin, Heckel and Nash, along with previously unexhibited photographs that document the dead and mutilated on the battlefields. In addition, posters, propaganda, press material and postcards illustrate this war, which was also the first in the mass media age.

Fernand Léger

Soldats jouant aux cartes [Soldiers Playing Cards], 1916

Graphite pencil on paper 17 x 12.7 cm Centre Georges Pompidou. Musée national d'Art moderne-Centre de création industrielle, Paris



Section photographique des armées (SPA)

Tranché de première ligne tenue par des Sénégalais. Souain (Marne) [Frontline trench held by Senegalese soldiers. Souain (Marne)],1916

Vintage gelatin silver print 21.1 x 27.2 cm BDIC-Musée d'Histoire Contemporaine, Paris





Section photographique des armées SPA

École spéciale de mutilés (rue du Puits de l'Ermite, Paris)

[Special school for war amputees (rue du Puits de l'Ermite, Paris)], 1916

Vintage gelatin silver print 21.1 x 27.2 cm BDIC-Musée d'Histoire Contemporaine, Paris



Paul Nash

Void of War, 1918

Lithograph 48.9 x 57.4 cm Imperial War Museum, London



Room 2: The section *Modernity and the Avant-Garde* offers an overview of the artistic vitality of Paris and its influence on Catalan artists who travelled there in search of fortune and inspiration. The works displayed in this section show how Cézanne's work made an impression on Sunyer, who in turn influenced Rafael Barradas, Josep Togores and Joan Miró.

Rafael Barradas

Barcelona, 1918

Gouache on paper 76 x 72.8 cm Museu de L'Hospitalet, L'Hospitalet de Llobregat





Arc Voltaic, vol. 1, February 1918 Magazine Cover photograph by Joan Miró

Arxiu Històric de la Ciutat de Barcelona, Barcelona



Room 3: In the third section of the exhibition, *Bourgeois and Proletarians*, the political and social changes of the time are illustrated through magazines and photographs taken by the first generation of photojournalists. Photos by Brangulí and Ballell capture the world of the bourgeoisie, which contrasts with the life of the workers portrayed in photographs and a watercolour by Torres-García.

Frederic Ballell

Senyores passejant pel passeig de Gràcia [Ladies walking along the Passeig de Gràcia], 1905-1916

Vintage gelatin silver print 7 x 7 cm Arxiu Fotogràfic de Barcelona. Barcelona City Council



Josep Brangulí

Sastra trabajando con otras mujeres y niños. Barcelona [Tailoress working with other women and children], c. 1910-1915

Vintage gelatin silver print 11.7 x 8.6 cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès





Joaquín Torres-García

Fàbrica (esbós per a la casa Badiella) [Factory (sketch for Casa Badiella], 1917

Ink and watercolour on paper 22 x 60 cm
Private collection



Room 4: Barcelona and the War shows how in spite of its supposed neutrality, the city was split between Allied and German sympathisers. This room presents illustrated magazines that show the stance taken by the society of the time, as well as examples of magazines financed by foreign powers, such as *Iberia*. Artists like Ricard Canals demonstrated their commitment by illustrating posters, while Ramon Pichot exhibited works based on the war in Galeries Dalmau. The show presents unpublished drawings by Josep Clarà, who captured life in the trenches in sketches drawn from life during a trip to the front by Catalan intellectuals, of which photographs and a film remain; the drawings reveal a hitherto unknown side of Clarà, beyond the more classical paintings and sculptures we are familiar with.

Anonymous

Visita de personalitats al front francès, [Personalities visiting the French front] 1917

Vintage gelatin silver print 11.8 x 16.5 cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès



Josep Clarà

Clermont [en-Argonne]. Desembre 1917 [Clermont (en-Argonne). December 1917]

Ink and pencil on paper 15.5 x 20.2 cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès

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Josep Clarà

Visite al front (notre chauffer) [Visit to the front (our driver)], 1917

Ink on paper 20.2 x 15.5 cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès

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Anonymous

Voluntari català Josep Julià a l'hospital de Brest

[Catalan volunteer Josep Julià at the Brest hospital], c. 1914-1918

Vintage gelatin silver print 9 x 14 cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès



Room 5: The City of Ivory transports us to the construction of the artistic and political project known as Noucentisme. Sculptures by Clarà and Casanovas are displayed alongside works by Nogués, Obiols and Espinal. The war also brought speculators, smugglers and prostitutes to the city, and as there are no photos of the city by night, this section presents erotic magazines that sprung up during this period, postcards of burlesque artists, drawings, and oil paintings of the city's nightlife.

Almanaque KDT, 1916 Magazine

Domènech-Ballester Collection





Postcard of La Bella Chelito, undated

13.5 x 8.5 cm MAE - Institut del Teatre, Barcelona



Hermen Anglada Camarasa

La sibil·la [The sibyl], c. 1913

Oil on canvas 195.5 x 114.5 cm Fundació "La Caixa"



Josep Clarà Cadència [Cadence], 1917-1918

Marble 105 x 60 x 60 cm Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya, Barcelona



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Room 6: As the traditional annual art salons of Paris had been suspended during wartime, a group of Catalan artists suggested holding them in Barcelona. Up to 1,400 works, including oil paintings, sculptures, drawings, prints, and decorative art pieces were displayed at the Palace of Fine Arts in 1917, in what became known as the Exhibition of French Art. The sixth room of *Barcelona, Neutral Zone (1914-1918)* presents a selection of these works, including some by acclaimed artists such as Pissarro, Rodin, Sisley and Denis, as well as photographs taken by Brangulí of the Salon itself. Some of these works were acquired by Catalan collectors, and are now being exhibited for the first time at the Fundació Joan Miró.

Henri Morisset

Après-midi d'été [Summer afternoon], undated

Oil on canvas 65.3 x 81.5 cm Private collection



Henri Labasque

Jeunes filles et fleurs [Girls and flowers], undated

Oil on wood 80 x 62 cm Private collection



Camille Pissarro

La Seine à Port-Marly, le lavoir [The Seine at Port-Marly, the wash house], 1872

Oil on canvas 46 x 56 cm Musée d'Orsay, Paris





Auguste Rodin
La Main de Dieu
[The hand of God], 1896

Plaster 69.5 x 60 x 47 cm Musée Rodin, Paris



Room 7: Between 1914 and 1918, exiled artists such as Albert Gleizes, Francis Picabia, Otho Lloyd, Sonia Delaunay, Robert Delaunay and Olga Sacharoff spent time in Barcelona, and some of them came into contact with the city's art scene thanks to the gallerist Josep Dalmau. This section includes works by all of these artists, alongside unpublished photographs taken by Brangulí of the 1916 boxing match between Arthur Cravan, anarchist poet and younger brother of Otho Lloyd, and Jack Johnson.

Sonia Delaunay Album, 1916

Gouache and pencil on paper 32.5 x 25 cm Galería Guillermo de Osma, Madrid





Otho Lloyd

Tossa de Mar. Personnages à la plage : Francis Picabia, Juliette Gleizes, Marie Laurencin, Gabrielle Picabia, Olga Sacharoff...

[Tossa de Mar. Personalities on the beach: Francis Picabia, Juliette Gleizes, Marie Laurencin, Gabrielle Picabia, Olga Sacharoff...], 1917

Vintage gelatin silver print 8.2 x 13.3 cm Collection David et Marcel Fleiss. Galerie 1900-2000, Paris



Olga Sacharoff

Bust femení. Autoretrat [Bust of a woman. Self-portrait], 1915

Oil on canvas 45 x 37 cm Artur Ramon collection



Josep Maria Co de Triola

Avant match Cravan-Johnson [Presentation of the Cravan/ Johnson boxing match], 1916

Vintage gelatin silver print 8.5 x 13.6 cm Collection David et Marcel Fleiss. Galerie 1900-2000, Paris



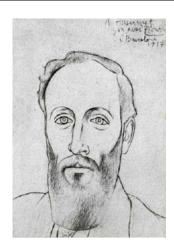


Room 8: *Picasso, 1917.* Picasso returned to Barcelona in 1917, on the trail of the tour of the Ballets Russes, in which his future wife Olga Khokhlova was a dancer. Picasso's stay in the city caused a stir in the press at the time. His set designs for the ballet *Parade*, the publicity material for the show, and some of the works that he produced during these months in Barcelona are displayed in this room.

Pablo Picasso

Portrait d'Ernest Ansermet [Portrait of Ernest Ansermet], 1917

Pencil on paper 37 x 29 cm Private collection



Room 9: Leisure, Consumption and Mass Society. The introduction of the Sunday Rest Law in 1904 led to an explosion of available leisure activities, and organisers turned to advertising as a way reaching the masses: sporting events, theme parks, bullfights, circus and film - the heart of the new twentieth century culture. This last section illustrates the flourishing consumption of leisure through visual material produced by mechanical means: posters, magazines, photographs and films. It includes the projection of the first comic anti-war film of the twentieth century, Charlie Chaplin's Shoulder Arms.

TBO, no. 82, 1918 Publication

Albert Rossich collection





Frederic Ballell

Aeri del Parc d'Atraccions del Tibidabo, [Aerial tram at the Tibidabo amusement park], 1915

Vintage gelatin silver print 8.2 x 11.3 cm Arxiu Fotogràfic de Barcelona. Barcelona City Council



Frederic Ballell

Carrera ciclista organitzada per l'Sport Ciclista Català [Bicycle race organized by Sport Ciclista Catalá], 1914

Vintage gelatin silver print 8.7 x 14.9 cm Arxiu Fotogràfic de Barcelona. Barcelona City Council



Josep Gaspar

Sortida d'una cursa d'automòbils i motocicletes davant del Real Moto Club de Cataluña [Starting line at an automobile and

[Starting line at an automobile and motorcycle race in front of the Real Moto Club de Cataluña headquarters], c. 1916-1917

Vintage gelatin silver print 13.6 x 8.5cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès



Charlie Chaplin

Shoulder Arms, 1918

Charles Chaplin Productions





5. Selection of Press Images

Barcelona, Neutral Zone (1914-1918)

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Room 1:

The Great War

Bernhard's poster shows the new wartime visual culture, which reflects the spirit of the mechanisation of war and contrasts with the works by Léger and Heckel displayed in the same space. It is a direct introduction to the subject of the war, which takes up the first section of the show.

Lucien Bernhard

Darum zeichne Kriegsanleihe! [Buy war bonds!], 1914-1918

Poster 87 x 58.5 cm BDIC-Musée d'Histoire Contemporaine, Paris © BDIC collection



Section photographique des armées SPA

Une rue bombardée a Fismes (Marne) [A bombed-out street in Fismes (Marne)], 1918

Vintage gelatin silver print 21.1 x 27.2 cm BDIC-Musée d'Histoire Contemporaine, Paris © BDIC Collection





Room 2:

Modernity and the Avant-Garde

The three paintings in Room 2 show the consolidation of modernist painting and the shift towards the avant-garde. The work of Torres-García is a mix of Cubism and Futurism. We can see the influence of the French avant-garde on Catalan artists: Cézanne influenced Sunyer, who in turn influenced Togores and Miró and, to some extent, Torres-García.

Joaquín Torres-García

El entoldado [The awning], 1917

Oil on cardboard 51 x 72.5 cm Private collection



Joaquim Sunyer

Paisatge amb pins [Landscape with pines], 1915

Oil on canvas 115 x 95 cm Private collection



Josep de Togores

Paisatge de Bandol [Landscape at Bandol], 1916

Oil on canvas 70.5 x 85.5 cm Private collection © Josep Togores, VEGAP, Barcelona, 2014





Room 3:

Bourgeois and Proletarians

Joan Miró was called up for duty to oversee the 1917 general strike, but he didn't end up leaving the barracks. His portrait in military uniform reminds us of him, and of the army's intervention. The photograph by Sagarra in the same room shows a demonstration demanding amnesty for prisoners arrested during that same strike.

Not many photographs of those demonstrators exist: most show the soldiers. The curators consider Sagarra's photograph and the Gaumont Pathé film about the demonstration to be among the first examples of the photojournalism genre.

Enric C. Ricart

Retrat de Joan Miró [Portrait of Joan Miró], 1916

Oil and collage on canvas 84 x 71 cm Fundació Joan Miró, Barcelona



Josep Maria de Sagarra

Manifestación a favor de la amnistía para los presos detenidos en la huelga. Paseo de San Juan, Barcelona [Demonstration supporting amnesty for the prisoners arrested during the strike],1917

Vintage gelatin silver print 11.5 x 9.5 cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès





Room 4:

Barcelona and the War

In Barcelona, the war was seen through illustrations and caricatures. Both the original drawing by Apa and the magazine in which it was published are displayed here.

Clarà produced the unpublished drawings shown here during a visit to the front at Verdun and Reims. They are drawn from life while on a trip in the company of Doctor Solé i Pla and Ramon Casas. Clarà's experience at the front, drawing from life, has only now been discovered. The exhibition also includes a sculpture by Clarà and a sketch of the Monument to Catalan Volunteers at the Ciutadella inaugurated in 1936.

Apa (Feliu Elias)

¡Otra primavera! [Spring again!], 1918

Pen and pencil and ink, and coloured pencil on paper (*Iberia*, 27 April 1918)

16.2 x 14.6 cm Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya, Barcelona. Donated by Lola Anglada, 1974



Josep Clarà

Impressions de carretera [Sketches from the road], 1917

Ink and pencil on paper 15.5 x 20.2 cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès



Ramon Pichot

A Berlín [To Berlin], 1916

Charcoal pencil and pastels on paper 25 x 32 cm Eduardo Marquina Collection, Madrid





Room 5:

The City of Ivory

A sculpture by Clarà, an exponent of the 'noucentista' school, is displayed alongside this work by a young Obiols.

This section also features footage of the funeral of Prat de la Riba, from the distributor Gaumont Pathé.

Photos by Brangulí and some erotic drawings illustrate the city's nightlife.

Josep Obiols

La peixatera [The fishwife], 1915

Oil on canvas 100 x 60 cm Solanic Martorell collection



Josep Brangulí

Vista nocturna del monument a Cristòfor Colom [Night view of the monument to Christopher Columbus], c. 1910-1919

Vintage gelatin silver print 11.7 x 8.6 cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès



Bigre (Ricard Opisso)

Calendario [Calendar], 1917

Ink on paper 34.5 x 25.3 cm Private collection





Room 6:

Exhibition of French Art

The poster of the Exhibition of French Art introduces the works in the room.

Lucien Simon

Palacio de Bellas Artes. Ciudad de Barcelona. Primavera 1917. Salon des Artistes Français [Palace of Fine Arts. City of Barcelona. Spring 1917. Salon des Artistes Français]

Poster 158 x 100 cm Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya, Barcelona



Room 7:

Exiles

Gleizes's works describe the moment when foreign artists settled in Barcelona, and the fascination that some of them felt for flamenco, which had a strong presence in the city. This section also includes a still life by Gleizes, who exhibited at Galerías Dalmau.

The poster and photos of the Cravan-Johnson boxing match illustrate the visual style of the time.

The first four issues of the magazine *391* were published in Barcelona during the time that Picabia spent in the city.

Albert Gleizes

Danseuse espagnole [Spanish dancer], 1916

Oil on wood 57 x 36 cm Musée des Beaux-Arts, Lyon © Albert Gleizes, VEGAP, Barcelona, 2014





Anonymous

Combate de boxeo Jack Johnson/Arthur Cravan [Boxing match between Jack Johnson and Arthur Cravan], 1916

Poster 168 x 70 cm Collection David et Marcel Fleiss. Galerie 1900-2000, Paris



Josep Brangulí

Combate de boxeo entre Jack Johnson y Arthur Cravan. Plaza de toros Monumental de Barcelona [Boxing match between Jack Johnson and Arthur Cravan. Monumental bullring, Barcelona], 1916

Vintage gelatin silver print 11.7 x 8.6 cm Arxiu Nacional de Catalunya, Sant Cugat del Vallès





Francis Picabia

391, no. 1, 25 January 1917 Magazine

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Room 8:

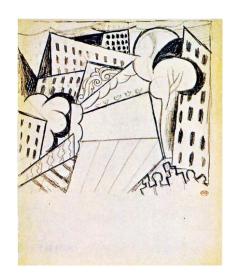
Picasso, 1917

This study by Picasso for the set of the ballet helps to explain what brought Picasso to Barcelona in 1917: the Ballets Russes and Olga Khokhlova.

Pablo Picasso

Etude pour le décor du ballet «Parade» [Sketch for the Parade set design], 1916-1917

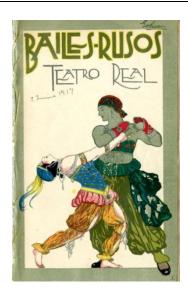
Graphite pencil on vellum 27.7 x 22.5 cm Musée Picasso, Paris. Dation, Pablo Picasso, 1979



Anonymous

Bailes rusos. Teatro del Liceo,
Barcelona [Ballets Russes. Teatre del
Liceu opera house], 1917

Poster 68 x 48 cm MAE. Institut del Teatre, Barcelona





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Leisure, Consumption and Mass Society The serial production of images (posters, photographs, etc.) gives us an insight into the consumption and leisure habits of the time.

Anonymous

Vermouth Cisa, c. 1915

Poster 52 x 37 cm Jordi Carulla Collection



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6. Artists and Lenders of the Works

Barcelona, Neutral Zone (1914-1918)

25 October 2014 - 15 February 2015

Artists, illustrators and photographers included in the exhibition:

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Apa (Feliu Elias) Giacomo Balla Frederic Ballell Rafael Barradas Lucien Bernhard Bigre (Ricard Opisso)

Josep Brangulí Ricard Canals Francesco Cangiulo Enric Casanovas Ramon Casas Serge Charchoune

Josep Clarà

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Eric Heckel Manolo Hugué Manuel Humbert Josep Maria Junoy

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Félix Massoul

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André Methey
Joan Miró
Henri Morisset
Paul Nash
Xavier Nogués
Josep Obiols
Jaume Passarell
Francis Picabia

Picarol (Josep Costa) Pablo Picasso

Ramon Picasso
Ramon Pichot
Camille Pissarro
Hubert Ponscarme
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Auguste Rodin
Olga Sacharoff

Josep Maria de Sagarra

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Théophile-Alexandre Steinlen

Josep de Togores Joaquín Torres-García Manuel Urda Marín

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Arxiu Fotogràfic del Centre Excursionista de Catalunya, Barcelona

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