

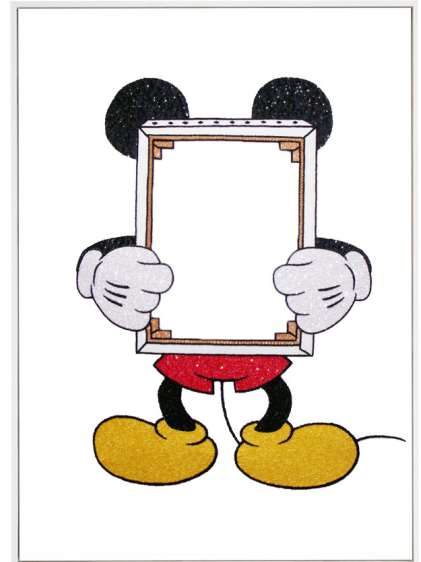
GAZELLI ART HOUSE

GUESS WHO?

PHILIP COLBERT

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Gazelli Art House are excited to announce "GUESS WHO?" a series of Portraits of Mickey Mouse by renowned pop artist **Philip Colbert**.

Colbert, known for his witty and humorous pop paintings and sculptures, also founded and runs the cult pop art fashion label The Rodnik Band. Described by Andre Leon Talley as "the Godson of Andy Warhol", Philip Colbert has collaborated with Disney to create a series of portraits inspired by Mickey's iconic Pop status. Philip joins an impressive list of leading contemporary artists who have also been inspired by the cartoon icon in the past, including Damien Hirst, Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstien, Joyce Pensato and KAWS to name a few.

"Everyone knows what Mickey Mouse looks like, I wanted to playfully hide his image and present symbolic everyday objects that engage the power of his image with a refined pop narrative. I liked the Idea that Mickey, the King of POP, offers the viewer a silvery platter to gauge the symbolic power of everyday thoughtful symbols that he holds, they are easily accessible and humorous yet profound." – Philip Colbert.

A large, embroidery on canvas portrait from the series will be unveiled at Somerset House as part of the Disney Exhibition running from the 25th April to the 1st May. The full series will then be shown from the 3rd – 7th May at Gazelli Art House.

Gallery Information:

Contemporary art gallery Gazelli Art House supports and presents a wide range of international artists, presenting a broad and critically acclaimed program of exhibitions to a diverse audience through international exhibition spaces in London and Baku. Gazelli Art House was founded in 2003 in Baku, Azerbaijan where it held exhibitions with Azeri artists. From 2010, having hosted conceptually interlinked off-site exhibitions across London, founder and Director of Gazelli Art House, Mila Askarova, opened a permanent space on Dover Street, London in March 2012. That same year, Window Project launched utilising the frontage of the gallery as additional display platform. In 2015, the initiative was remodelled to solely accommodate art school graduates through open call competitions three times a year. As part of Gazelli Art House's on-going commitment to art education, the gallery hosts a series of events and talks to run alongside each exhibition.

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