

## **MESTRE8LUOGHI – New Social Landscapes of the Mainland**

a project by URBAN CENTRE | photographs by Giorgio Bombieri and videos by Laboratorio ElettroDomestico

from March 29<sup>th</sup> to April 13<sup>th</sup>

The research that Urban Centre is pursuing since years, documenting projects and policies of urban transformation, is put in this occasion into a project developed as a collaboration with Galleria Contemporaneo.

**MESTRE8LUOGHI – New Social Landscapes** of the Mainland is part of that section of the gallery program that aims to investigate the territorial and urban context where the art space is active. The project is a study of eight urban areas, documented partly through photographs (by Giorgio Bombieri) carrying out a qualitative analysis of the chosen contexts, and partly through videos (by the artists group Laboratorio ElettroDomestico) that attempt to seize, instead, the ways these places are actually lived and daily crossed by different kinds of the city's inhabitants.

The documentation is meant to provide to the viewer a detailed vision of both the private and collective dimensions interwoven across those places

**Giorgio Bombieri** is a welfare operator, he works with the Social Politics Dept. of the City of Venice and with the Ombrello lab at IUAV. His research is mainly focused on social photography and architecture. He held workshops and developed projects for houses of detention, mental institutions, with drug abusers and migrants. He published "Di tè in tè", "Indirizzi sconosciuti" and other documentation works and researches, purchasing specific exhibition projects.

**LED - Laboratorio ElettroDomestico** is a visual and physical space where experimental ways of communication takes form through the use of the videocamera. LED is a collective project by four filmmakers: Francesca Balbo, Pietro Ciriache, Chiara De Cunto, Tommaso Lessio. LED took part into various events and festivals such as: filmmaker festival 12 – Milan; Torino Film Festival 26 – Turin; Bergamo film meeting 26 - Bergamo.

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