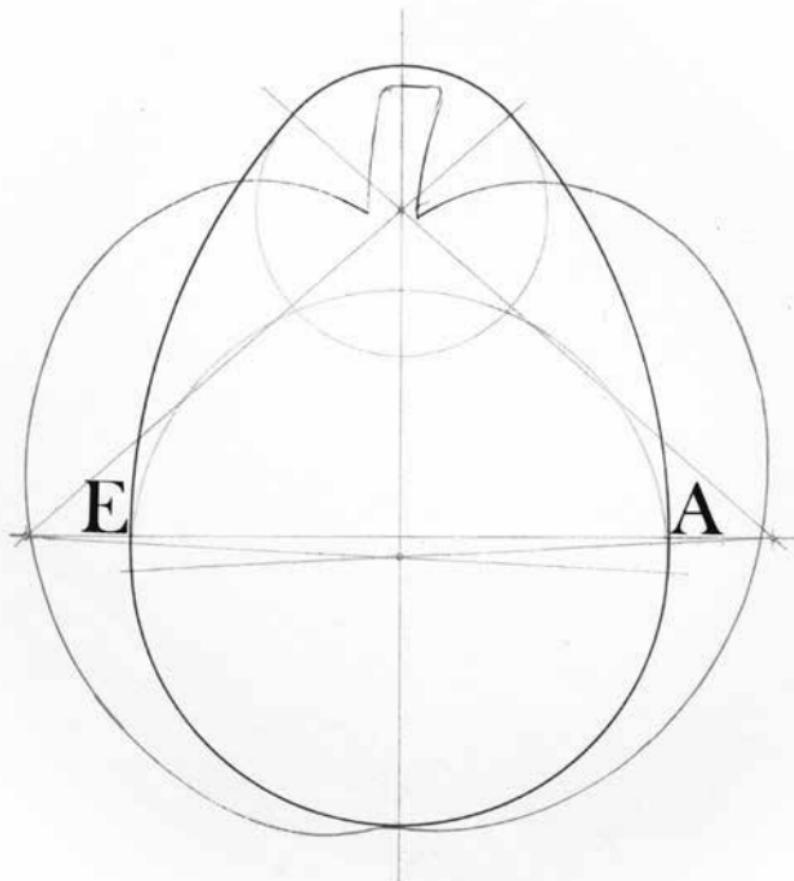


IL GUSTO DELLA VISIONE

TASTE OF VISION



EXPOSITION OF ARTWORK BY

Gabriella Benedini, Mirella Bentivoglio, Pinuccia Bernardoni,
Renata Boero, Sara Campesan, Marilù Eustachio, Giosetta Fioroni,
Maria Lai, Paola Levi Montalcini, Angela Lorenz, Elisa Montessori,
Cloti Ricciardi, Marilena Sassi, Marina Sasso, Maria Savoldi
With a homage to **Gillo Dorfles**

TASTE OF VISION, The Artwork

EXPO 2015 / Exhibition in TRACCE restaurants of CIR food

CIR food, Cooperativa Italiana Ristorazione (Italian Food Service Cooperative), believes in offering democratic and sustainable food service and in helping people to be aware of what they eat.

At EXPO, CIR food will take art out of the museums and galleries, display it in restaurants – places usually used for the daily activity of eating – and make it accessible to a vast public.

Thanks to this small guide, the artwork will become a privileged place to experience the **taste of vision**.

Visitors are invited to take a moment to reflect upon the meaning that food can have in an artistic dimension.

The term **taste** denotes the specific sense we use to recognise the flavour of substances that we come in contact with through our mouths and, by extension, is also used in the aesthetic sense, to define our **sensitivity** to **beauty** [Treccani Encyclopaedia]



Gillo Dorfles

Painted ceramic plate. Albisola 2013

Curated by **Vittoria Surian**

Catalogue with texts by **Antonia Arslan, Marino Niola, Patrizia Castagnoli** and a conversation with **Gillo Dorfles**

The concept of **taste** is perhaps the only one we can use to make an immediate and meaningful critique of a work of art.

[Gillo Dorfles, *Le oscillazioni del gusto* (*The Oscillations of Taste*) 1958]



Renata Boero *Africa*

pas un grain de pluie
l'homme a méprisé la terre
la terre la terre méprise l'homme
l'homme a négligé la terre
la terre néglige l'homme
la terre vie la terre femme
l'amour pousse dans ses entrailles
il faut lutter tous les jours
il faut aimer sans relâche
l'amour elle vous le rend des lunes des soleils
l'homme a tout déboisé
brûlée terre nue orphelin village sans pitié
terre violée terre humiliée
pourtant c'était une bonne terre
une bonne terre toute noire toute grasse
de la sueur de l'effort du respect de l'ancien
une rougeur monte peu à peu dans le ciel
s'élargissant dissipe la nuit
terre terre noire terre d'espoir
tu gardes les fruits de vie sous l'espérance
de la peine de la douleur de la mort
au frémissement vital des saisons

Charles Carrère

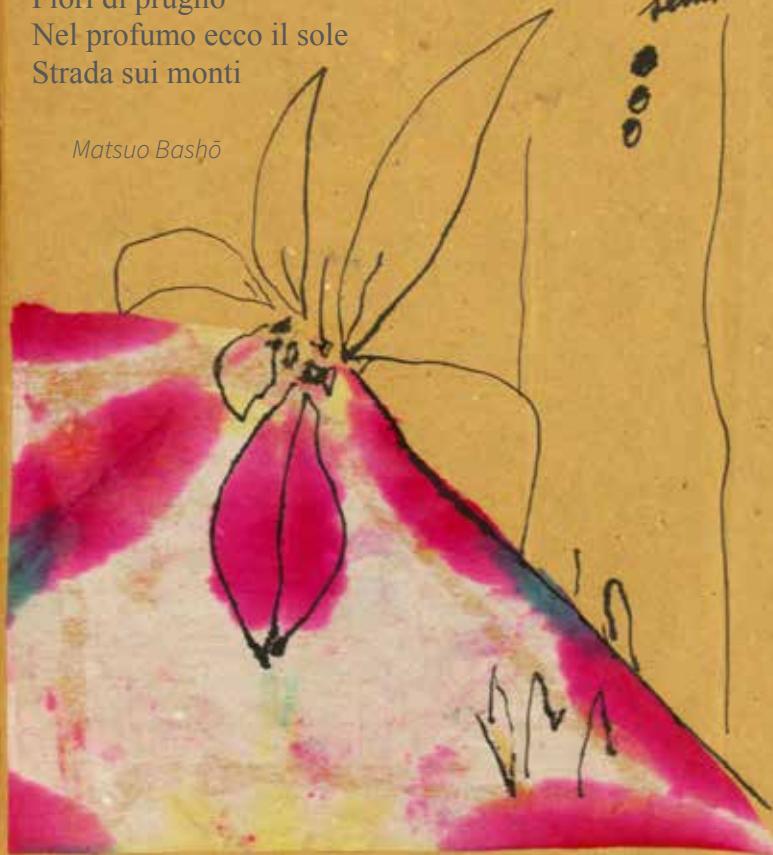


Se l'aratro è il congegno con cui
il contadino scava e sconvolge
la terra indurita dal tempo, per
nutrire nuove radici, l'arte è
l'artificio con cui l'uomo irrompe
nel buio del suo mondo interiore
e dà voce al silenzio interiore e al
proprio avvenire

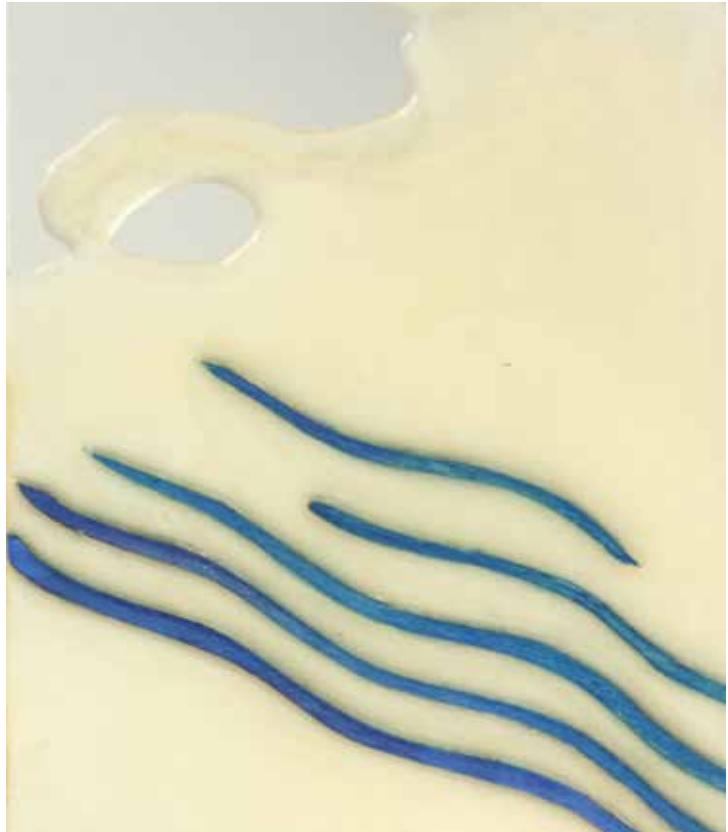
Maria Lai *Coro campestre* (Country Chorus)

Fiori di prugno
Nel profumo ecco il sole
Strada sui monti

Matsuo Bashō



Elisa Montessori *Semi, fiori, erbe* (Seeds, Flowers, Grasses)



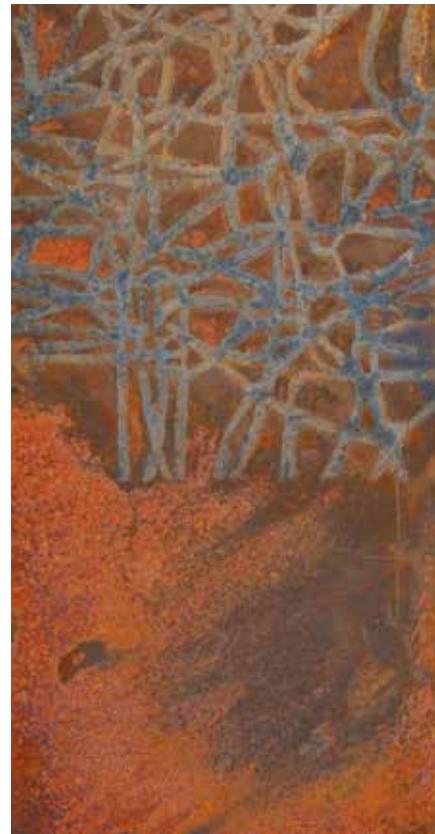
Cloti Ricciardi *Acque* (*Waters*)



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Angela Lorenz *Ghiaccioli d'artista* (*Artist's Ice Lollies*)



Maria Savoldi °C



La mia terra è dorata...
somiglia alla fiamma
il grano brucia
e non si consuma.

La mia terra è dorata...
il cielo è di fuoco;
il suolo è smosso
sotto gli steli.

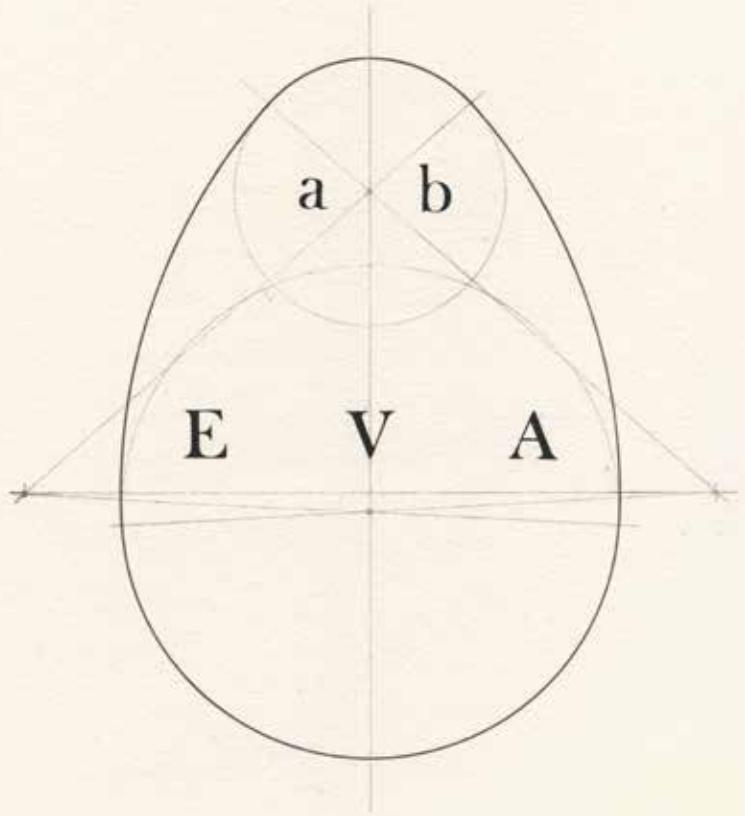
La mia terra è dorata...
le spighe in quattro file
si sono rivestite
di ambra e di sole.

La mia terra è dorata...
passano come lampi
in mezzo alle spighe
vespe e calabroni.

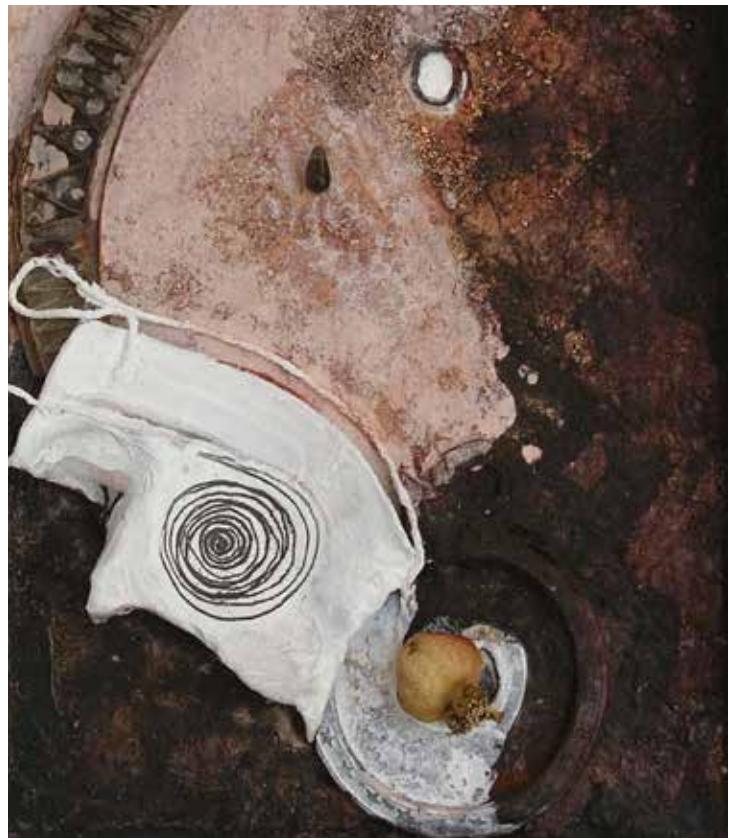
La mia terra è dorata...
del mare delle onde d'oro
un passero sale,
portato dal vento.

Dormi, terra dorata,
dormi, campo maturo,
raccoglierò il tuo oro
con la falce d'argento.

Daniel Varujan



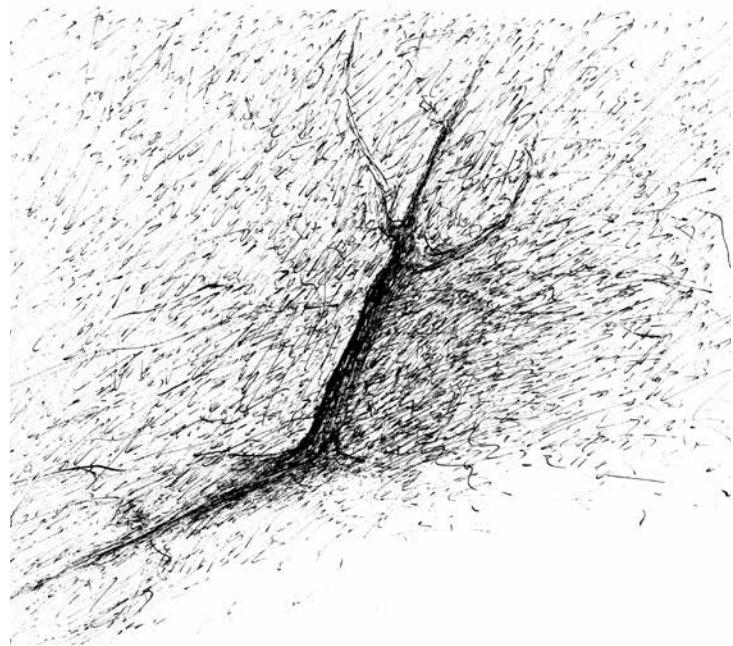
Mirella Bentivoglio *Ab ovo, ab eva, ave eva, ea*



Gabriella Benedini *Storie di Persefone* (*Stories of Persephone*)



Sara Campesan *Libro spirale* (Spiral Book)



Presentiment - is that long shadow - on the Lawn -
Indicative that Suns go down -

The Notice to the startled Grass
That Darkness - is about to pass

Emily Dickinson

Marilù Eustachio *Un peso viola* (A Violet Weight)



Marilena Sassi *Nuda terra* (Bare Land)



Marina Sasso *Decumano* (Decumanus)

Benché i piedi dell'uomo non
occupino che un piccolo angolo
della terra, è grazie a tutto lo spazio
che non occupa che l'uomo può
camminare sulla terra immensa

Zhuan-zi

le mense ed i giardini
traboccano di riccioli d'indivia
di lumache dolcissime
di zuccheri preziosi,
una stella dai suoi paesi
di solitario cristallo
ha osato sporgersi più acuta,
l'insetto sale al puro volto affranto
e diviene farfalla
e delude la fredda polvere
fuochi sicuri scarabei
si accampano con le alpi nuove
e col cielo formato dal domani

Nella valle scricchiolano porte
e botole, nella valle
mi hanno preparato il caro pasto
hanno rifatto il mio letto
di cruda indivia e di vischio.

Andrea Zanzotto



Giosetta Fioroni *Attraverso l'evento* (*Through the Event*)

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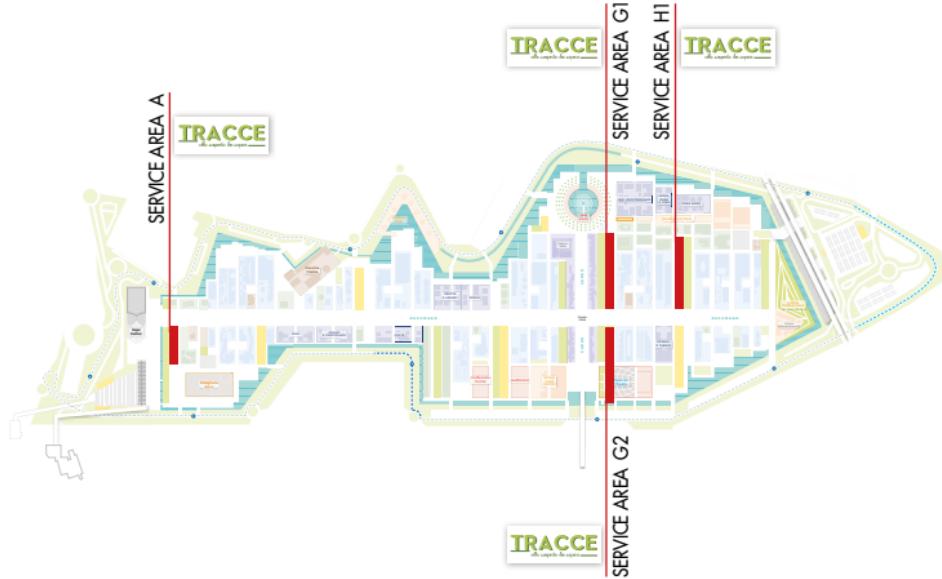
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