

GALLERIA ALESSANDRA BONOMO

JOAN JONAS

OPENING
SATURDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2010
7 pm – 9.30 pm

The Alessandra Bonomo Gallery is hosting a solo exhibition by **Joan Jonas**. Drawings from her performances, the *Bodyworks* series, and the video *My new theater VI with Good Night Good Morning '06* will be on display. For the *My new Theater* series, which started in 1997, Joan Jonas designs a type of portable theatre, namely a structure that evokes both a stage and, at the same time, in the artist's own words, "a camera obscura and other early viewing devices." The video projected – initially created by the artist in 1976 – is part of one of Jonas' most significant research projects: a study of the nature of images, involving a reflection on time, space and identity.

Joan Jonas is regarded as one of the most important American artists of the late 20th century. She was born in New York, where she began her creative career as a sculptor. During the 70s, she hit the international scene as a major figure of video and performance art. Strongly linked with feminist theories, Jonas' artistic perspectives pursue different semantic fields of investigation – myth and fable, poetry and music, anthropology and dance. Her art opens up a reflection of the possible interactions among the body, its representation, and the performative space.

Joan Jonas has exhibited and performed all over the world. Among elsewhere, we can recall the Stedelijk Museum in Amsterdam, The Museum of Modern Art in New York, the San Francisco Museum of Art, London's Tate Gallery, and Castello di Rivoli Museo d'Arte Contemporanea in Torino. In 2004, the New York Queens Museum of Art dedicated an important retrospective to her, titled *Joan Jonas: Five Works*.

Joan Jonas will be interviewed by Laura Cherubini on November 27th, 4.30 pm, at **MAXXI** auditorium. A number of performance projections from international museums and galleries will be shown. FREE ENTRANCE

The Alessandra Bonomo Gallery is open from Tuesday to Saturday, from 2:30 pm to 7:30 pm

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