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Igor Grubić: Gestures of Activation – Works in Public Space

4 September–3 October 2026

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You are cordially invited to the opening of Igor Grubić's large solo exhibition, *Gestures of Activation – Works in Public Space*, which will take place on Friday, 4 September 2026, at 7 p.m. at KiBela, space for art.

Renowned Croatian artist Igor Grubić, under the title *Gestures of Activation – Works in Public Space*, presents a retrospective overview of the artist's multimedia creativity spanning the period from the late 1990s until today. It includes around twenty works of a broad range of formats, from minimal gestures such as text, photography or performance, to projects aiming at goals beyond art. Public engagement is one of the fundamental stimuli of Grubić's work. He is preoccupied with the subject of social turmoil in the nineties of the 20th century, paying special attention to the processes of transition and privatisation, the burden of wartime destruction, and the responsibility of individuals in active social changemaking. His critically directed considerations are thus closely related to empowering civil disobedience, the implementation of different activist strategies of agitation and infiltration into the public space.

Penetrating the soft tissue of pacifist yet unnerving critique, Grubić represents a peculiar example of artistic activism relying on the spirit of guerrilla-anarchist actions, in the wake of the legacies of historical avant-gardes and conceptual practices from the sixties and seventies of the 20th century, which stepped out into the streets to express institutional critique and desire for direct communication with the public.

The exhibition was created in collaboration with the Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art Rijeka, Croatia.

< *Igor Grubić: 366 Rituals of Liberation – Against Trash, photography, 2008*

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