

## TOWER OF BABEL

Opening in NY: April 12 -May 15, 2016 Organized by Schema Projects  
reception Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>, 6-9pm

Traveling to:  
Givatayim City Gallery Tel Aviv, Israel &  
Trebisonda Centro per l'Arte Contemporanea Perugia, Italy



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Organized by Schema Projects gallery, our theme is the “Tower of Babel”: language, it’s varieties and limits, how it aids us and hinders us, how it hides and glorifies, the division of a people by a greater power (the old testament Judeo-Christian god) by impeding their ability to communicate and by extension, disinformation as a strategy of control and punishment. All participating artists were asked to create a new work that addressed these ideas.

The story of the Tower of Babel from Genesis could be seen as an explanation for the origin of languages. According to the story, a united humanity of the generations following the Great Flood, speaking a single language, migrated from the east and came to the land of Shinar. As the King James Version of the Bible puts it, this happened next:

*“...And they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.”*

*But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower which the sons of men had built and he said:*

*“Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another’s speech.” So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they ceased building the city. Therefore its name is called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth. “*

—Genesis 11:4–9<sup>[1]</sup>

## Participating artists:

### Invited by Schema Projects:

Rosaire Appel, Dmitry Babenko, Bunny Burson, Kevin B Chen, Paul D'Agostino, Steve DeGroodt, Julie Evans, Edoardo de Falchi, Abdellah El Haitout, Scott Espeseth, Douglas Florian, Simona Frillici, Rico Gatson, Andrew Ginzel, Johannah Herr, Jeanne Heifetz, Meg Hitchcock, Sharon Horvath, Sam Jablon, Mary Judge, Susan Kammerer, Marthe Keller, Elisa Macellari, Arezoo Moseni, Morgan O'Hara, David Pearce, Madeline Schwartzman, Buzz Spector, Gwenn Thomas, Selin Sinan Uz, Moe Yoshida Vegetti, Allan Wexler

### Invited by Doron Polak, Givitayem City Gallery, Tel Aviv Israel:

Manel Alvarez, Sima Ariam, Roni Ben Ari, Ophira Avisar, Yael Balaban, Elizabeth Baniel, Edna Elstein, Baruch Elron, Etamar Beglikter, Yaacov Chefetz, Shirly Perla Doron, Norma Drimmer, Uri De Beer, Varda Carmeli, Amiran Eini, Amir Eshel, Regina Frank, Bilha Fuchs, Gideon Gechtman, Bela Gold, Eugenia Gortchakova, Tamar Hirschl, Irit Segal Israeli, Shlomo Korol, Erika Knerr, Shlomo Korol, Zvia Merdinger, Dafna Moriya, Noa Nahari, Shalom Neuman, Inna Nikolaeva, Rakefet Viner Omer, Ruty Weinstein Paporisch, Doron Polak, Meir Rakocz, Ariel Resendiz, Dorit Saphir, Zoe Sever, Danny Shain, Dan Shavit, Avi Sperber, Suzy Sureck, Amir Tomashov, Ari Varda, David Wakstein, David Zondelovich, Ilana Yaron

### Invited by Trebisonda Centro per l'arte Contemporanea, Perugia Italy:

Paolo Assenza, Stefano Bonacci, Arianna Bonamore, Polly Brooks, Sauro Cardinali, Tonina Cecchetti, Mario Consiglio, Luca Costantini, Massimo Diosono, Danilo Fiorucci, Benedetta Galli, Tea Giobbio, Elfrida Gubbini, Piotr Hanzelewicz, Karpuseeler, Robert Lang, Serenella Lupporelli, Francesca Manfredi, Vittoria Mazzoni, Roberta Meccoli, Laura Patacchia, Ugo Piccioni, Attilio Quintili, Lucilla Ragni, Nicola Rotiroti, Virginia Ryan, Sandford & Gosti, Germano Serafini, Stefano Soddu, Meri Tancredi, Franco Troiani, Walter Vallin