



**Estopia Art Gallery begins the New Year  
with the opening of the *Fractured Realities* show by Andrada Feșnic,  
on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**A new year, a new contemporary art gallery in Bucharest: on Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 6.00 PM, Estopia Art Gallery announces the inauguration of its venue on 5 Bocșa Street, with the opening of Andrada Feșnic's exhibition *Fractured Realities*.**

Established by Claudio Scorretti and Irina Ungureanu, Estopia sets forth a fresh space of confluence between Romanian and international artists, a platform for continuous dialogue with the most recent contemporary artistic practices. With over a decade's experience in organising exhibitions focused on Romanian and East European artists, complemented in recent years by carrying out over 10 art projects for Imago Mundi – Luciano Benetton Collection, the two founders of the gallery return to the Bucharest stage with the Estopia project – a manifesto for the East as a creative artistic phenomenon and for concrete opportunities to access the international art market. Founded in 2009 as D'Ancona Budis Art Gallery, the space has been renamed Estopia in 2018, with the recent addition of Edwin Hughes Scorretti to the artistic directorship of the gallery.

On 17<sup>th</sup> January, Estopia starts the first project on the gallery's agenda: *Estopia Young*, dedicated to promoting new generation artists. The opening of the first exhibition, ***Fractured Realities***, brings to the forefront the most recent series of works by **Andrada Feșnic**, for

whom painting is a true experimental field where overlapping layers, the collage effect obtained in a pictorial approach and the carefully orchestrated decomposition of figurative elements define an artistic profile visually marked by the School of Cluj, where the artist comes from, doubled by a highly innovative personal direction.

Cut-outs of reality, or rather jigsaw puzzles that seem to be missing enigmatic pieces: Andrada Feșnic's canvases invite the viewer into a complicated labyrinth of overlapping realities. The gaze runs from one detail to another and is stunned to discover that the thin crust of the surface conceals a series of new fluid realities, engaged in an endless, almost oneiric game of perspectives.

Reality, Andrada Feșnic believes, is not under the dome of a single truth, and the artist has a duty to simply suggest the tracks the viewer should take, without any predetermined directions. Inner landscapes or spaces of co-existence of memory, dream, utopia, the absurd and what we conventionally call reality: such are the works by Andrada Feșnic. As for the technique of this peculiar visual collage of overlapping spaces, cut out and deriving one from the other, it describes the certainty of an artist that perfectly masters her craft and vision.

Curator: Irina Ungureanu

**Andrada Feșnic** was born in 1987 in Cluj-Napoca, where she lives and works.

She studied Painting at the University of Art and Design in Cluj-Napoca, where she earned a BA and, more recently, an MA. In 2015 she studied at the Central Saint Martins, University of the Arts London with a scholarship. The art-makers community Centrul de Interes in Cluj-Napoca housed the artist's solo show *Aftermath* in 2018, in A+ Project Space. Andrada Feșnic presented her works in a series of group shows and international projects, including *Performing the Unconscious*, Freud Museum, London, 2015, during her scholarship at the University of the Arts London.

**Andrada Feșnic, *Fractured Realities***  
**17 January – 15 February 2019, Estopia Art Gallery**  
**Opening: Thursday, 17 January 2018, 6.00 PM**

**Contact:**

**ESTOPIA**  
ART GALLERY

**5 Bocșa Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Bucharest**

A few minutes away from Batiște, Armenească, Maria Rosetti Streets and within 15 minutes' walking distance from University Square and Universitate subway station

Tel: + 40 31 436 21 26

Mobile: + 40 756 90 67 37

Opening hours: Tuesday – Saturday: 12.00 PM – 6.00 PM

Sunday, Monday: By appointment only

E-mail: [office@estopiaartgallery.com](mailto:office@estopiaartgallery.com)

For more details, visit our website [www.estopiaartgallery.com](http://www.estopiaartgallery.com) and the Estopia Art Gallery Facebook and Instagram pages