# Orlando Boffill Hernandez

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Orlando Boffill Hernandez was born in Havana, Cuba on October 16, 1964. In 1980, he enrolled in painting and drawing classes at the Taller de Artes Plasticas under the direction of the painter and sculptor Orestes Vergel and located in the municipality of San Miguel del Padron. At the time, the Taller de Artes Plasticas was located in the Ernest Hemingway Home and Museum. From this experience, the artists' group called Vigia emerged and Boffill participated with this group in various collective exhibitions. In 1985, he began his university career working towards a Master's degree in Art History at the Faculty of Arts and Letters of the University of Havana. After his graduation, he started to work in 1991 as a Specialist in Plastic Arts at the Galleria de Arte located in Havana's municipality 10 de Octubre. During his employment at the gallery, he accomplished important work as curator and cultural promoter. In 1996, he began to work as an independent artist. His work has been included in more than 60 collective exhibitions and he has done 13 solo exhibits outside and within Cuba. In 2010 he worked as scenographic painter on French film filmed in Cuba. On December 2011, he traveled to Mexico where he did three solo exhibits. On January 2013, he traveled to New York City invited by Coohaus Gallery to participate in the Fountain Art Fair. His work can be found in private collections in various countries, including Cuba, United States, Korea, Mexico, Colombia, Spain, Portugal, Germany, France, Switzerland and Australia. Currently, the artist lives and works in the United States.





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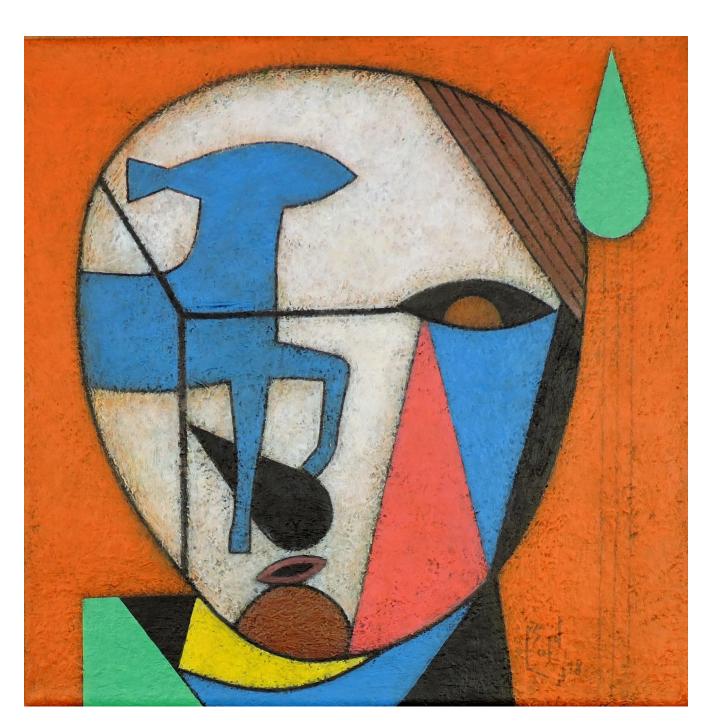
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Orlando Boffill Retrato de Orlandito, 2018 Acrylic on paper 61 x 45 cm / 24 x 17 inch \$1,500





Orlando Boffill Mascara inconclusa, 2018 Acrylic on canvas 30 x 30 cm / 12 x 12 inch \$600





Orlando Boffill Un Cipes para Vincent, 2018 Acrylic on canvas 30 x 60 cm / 12 x 24 inch \$1,500





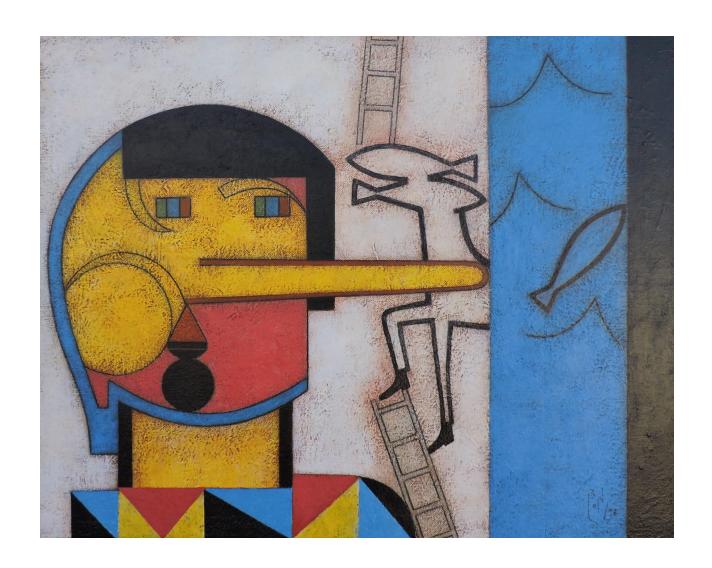
Orlando Boffill
No perdono a la muerte
enamorada, 2018
Acrylic on paper
61 x 45 cm / 24 x 17 inch
\$1,500





Orlando Boffill La columna infinita, 2018 Acrylic on canvas 69 x 61 cm / 27 x 24 inch \$2,500





Orlando Boffill
Pinocho daltonico, 2018
Acrylic on canvas
40 x 50 cm / 15.7 x 19.5 inch
\$1,500





Orlando Boffill
Nino jugando con peces, 2017
Acrylic on canvas
30 x 30 cm / 12 x 12 inches
\$500





Orlando Boffill
Peces de ciudad, 2017
Acrylic on canvas
30 x 30 cm / 12 x 12 inch
\$500





Orlando Boffill
Quien Soy, De Donde Vengo, A Donde V
2015
Acrylic on canvas
40 x 50 cm / 15.7 x 19.5 inch
\$1,200





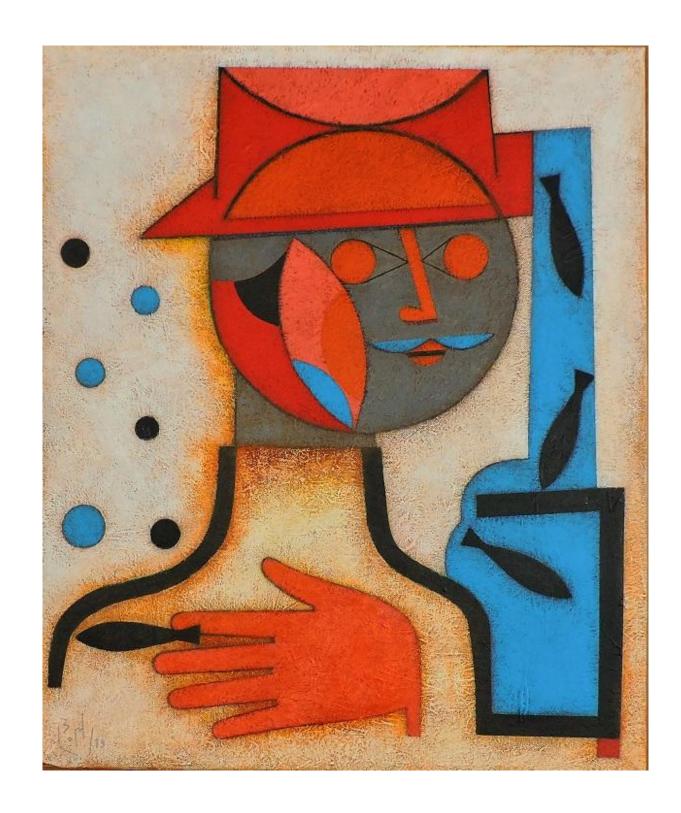
Orlando Boffill
En una visita a la galeria nacional de rte
2015
Acrylic on canvas
45 x 61 cm
\$1,200





Orlando Boffill Autorretrato, 2015 Acrylic on canvas 61 x 41 cm \$1,200





Orlando Boffill
La cascada del mago, 2013
Acrylic on canvas
60x50 cm
\$





Orlando Boffill , 2013 Acrylic on canvas cm





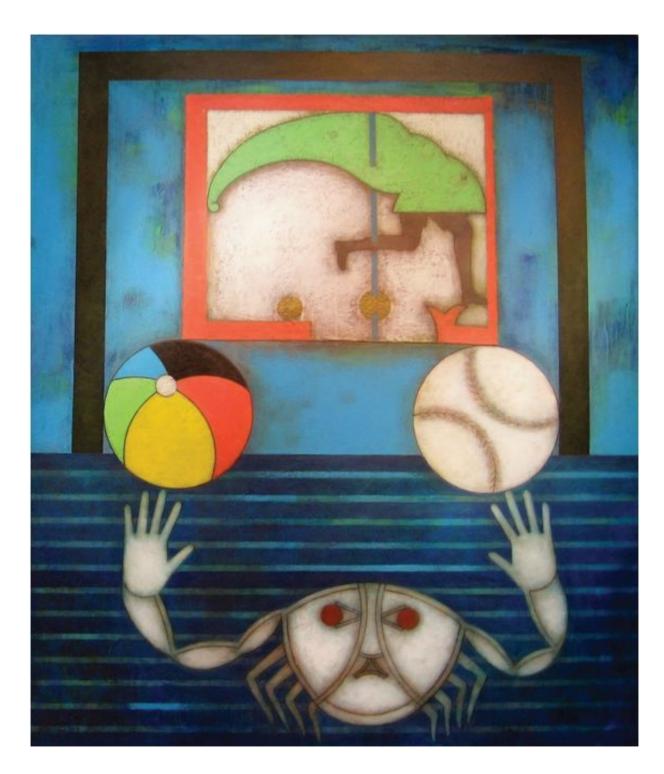
Orlando Boffill Malabarista de las emociones, 2013 Acrylic on canvas 75x65 cm





Orlando Boffill Ensor y yo, 2012 Acrylic on canvas 150 x 170cm \$12,000





Orlando Boffill Cuadro en Pelotas, 2009 Acrylic on canvas 150 x 130 cm \$12,000





Orlando Boffill Hello, 2013 Acrylic on canvas NFS / Gallery Collection





Orlando Boffill Marriage, 2013 Acrylic on canvas NFS / Gallery Collection



## **Artist Statement**



My current work is largely a continuation of the work that I started to create in Cuba at the end of the 90's. There are references to the themes of various social, political, cultural, and existential issues of our day from my own experiences as a social being.

They reoccur in my work within symbols that make references to my context of origin and its' historical circumstances: fish, boats, planes, the island of Cuba as explicit geography, with man always as the subject. Usually it is man in relation to power, and immigration, as a solution to political and economic problems. My work represents truthful and typical characters,in typical circumstances. The paintings are social depictions in a scenery where life occurs and man is exposed to a large variety of existential circumstances.

At this time my work has been inserted into the network of New York galleries, and I am, as a result, experiencing a change in my system of thinking, in the way of understanding the territoriality as a logicaL consequence of interacting with an eclectic culture which has a very urban and cosmopolitan dynamic along with a long tradition of contemporary art

Therefore my projects, without abandoning the poetry that I characterized in terms of style, will be in tune with these new experiences of context and culture that I believe are enriching and universalizing for my proposal of a form that is gradual and organic.

My work is aesthetic, directly related with the painting/painting and it's traditional techniques within the concept of the enclosed work of the classics of the 20th century avant-garde.

Within a system of open thought and dialectical I approach my work from an intellectual perspective at once fresh and lucid, making use of parody and intertextuality, all depending on the message I want to convey. In essence my paint has a diversity that is sometimes marked by instrospective poetics and emotional discharge, a character more conceptual, where I would like to experiment with various techniques and materials including the mixture.



#### **EDUCATION**

Degree in Art History. University of Havana (1985-1990)

#### **SOLO EXHIBITION**

- 2019 Art Mora Seoul, Korea
- 2016 "Orlando Boffill New Painting". Art Mora NJ Gallery. New York."Orlando Boffill Recent Painting. Art Mora NY. New York."Portrait of a City". Art Mora Gallery. NewYork.
- 2015 "Portrait of a Space". Art mora Gallery. New York.
- 2013 "Fantasy". Art Mora Gallery. New York.
  "Cuba Zagat". Pizzart Gallery. New York.
  "Sprout out Exhibition". BBCN Bank. New york.
- 2012 "Tributes". Public Library of San Miguel de Allende. Mexico. "Made in San Miguel". Conexion Gallery. Mexico.
- 2007 "News Summary". San Miguel del Padron Gallery. Cuba.
- 2006 "Work of Authorship". Fernandez Boada Gallery. Cuba.
- 2005 "Grimacing for Painters. San Miguel del Padron Gallery. Cuba
- 1996 "Mental Games". 10 de Octuber Gallery. Cuba.

### **SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITION.**

- "Vistas Cubanas". Dowling Art Center. Syracuse. New York."Art Blossom". Art Mora NJ. New York."ART BUSAN". International Art Fair 2016. South Korea.
- 2015 "Wow Show II". Art Mora Gallery. New York.
  "Continuum". Point of Contact Gallery". Syracuse. New York.
  "Vivid Mora". Art Mora Gallery. New York.
  "Patterns". BBCN Bank. New York.
- 2014 "Gongju International Art Festival". Limlipartmuseum. Korea.
- 2013 "Fountain Art Fair New York". Regiment Armory. New York. "Four Seasons". Art Mora Gallery. New York.
- 2009 "First Salon Art Life". San Miguel del Padron Gallery. Cuba."Angels and Demons". San Miguel del Padron Gallery. Cuba."Keep Track". San Miguel del Padron Gallery. Cuba.
- 2008 "The Magic of combining Textures". Origenes Gallery. Cuba.
- 2007 "More than Coincidence". San Miguel del Padron Gallery. Cuba. "Meeting II". Fernadez Boada Gallery. Cuba.

- 2006 "Sinastria". San Miguel del Padron Gallery. Cuba.
- 2005 "Between Friends". Fernandez Boada Gallery. Cuba.
  - "Living in Harmony". Texas Center for Documentary of Photography. USA.
  - "Faces". Orgenes Gallery. Cuba.
  - "Form Origenes to Gubbio". Gubbio. Italy
  - "3D Images". Concha Ferrant Gallery. Cuba.
- 2004 "Virgin Action". San Miguel del Padron Gallery. Cuba.
  - "Landscapes its Edges". Origenes Gallery. Cuba.
  - "Date with Angels". Origenes Gallery. Cuba.
  - "Visions and Reflections". Origenes Gallery. Cuba.
- 2003 "Between Angels and Goblins". Origenes Gallery. Cuba.
- "Voices from the South". Centro Provincial de Artes Plasticas y Diseno.
- Cuba.
- 2002 "Word to the Saint". San Miguel del Padron Gallery. Cuba.
  - "Beyond the Walls". San Migue del Padron Gallery. Cuba.
- 2001 "Merry Christmas". 10 de Octubre Gallery. Cuba.

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