

"Catch Me": A Landmark Exhibition by Greek-American Artist Nicholas Kontaxis at Goulandris Museum in Athens



Athens, Greece – The B&E Goulandris Museum is proud to present "**Catch Me**," a groundbreaking exhibition by internationally acclaimed Greek-American artist Nicholas Kontaxis, running from March 18 to May 18, 2025. Born with significant physical and developmental challenges, including a seizure disorder, Nicholas has defied the odds to become a celebrated artist whose work transcends boundaries. This transformative event marks a cultural milestone, offering audiences a unique experience that blends art, resilience, and inclusivity.

A Homecoming of Art and Resilience

Born to Greek parents and raised in the United States, Nicholas Kontaxis has become a global artistic sensation. Known for his bold, energetic works, Nicholas's art reflects a journey defined by creativity, connection, and the triumph of the human spirit over profound challenges. The centerpiece of "Catch Me" is a

symbolic trampoline, reimagined as a canvas. Originally a life-saving device, it embodies Nicholas's resilience and the universal need for support during life's struggles. This iconic piece serves as a powerful metaphor for perseverance and the transformative power of art.



A Bridge Between Cultures

As Nicholas's first exhibition in his ancestral homeland, "Catch Me" creates a meaningful dialogue between his Greek heritage and his global acclaim. For Greece, this event is a cultural moment, showcasing the extraordinary work of an artist whose story transcends borders. Setting a New Standard for Accessibility Designed to welcome all audiences, "Catch Me" is a pioneering example of

inclusivity in the arts. In collaboration with Nevronas, a leading advocate for accessibility, the exhibition features:

- Adapted guides and materials for visually and hearing-impaired visitors.
- Dedicated workshops and interactive programs for people of all abilities.
- A fully accessible environment to ensure everyone can experience the exhibition's impact.

Inspiring Future Generations

In partnership with Leonteios School of Nea Smyrni, "Catch Me" will inspire young minds through creative workshops and discussions. This initiative highlights values of perseverance, inclusion, and artistic exploration, encouraging students to embrace their unique contributions to the world.

Opening Night: A Celebration of Community and Creativity

The exhibition will open on March 18, 2025, with a prestigious event at the Goulandris Museum, featuring cultural leaders, policymakers, and art enthusiasts. Guests will enjoy a guided preview of the exhibition and heartfelt remarks from Krisann Kontaxis, Nicholas's mother and spokesperson, offering personal insights into the remarkable journey behind "Catch Me."

About Nicholas Kontaxis

Nicholas Kontaxis is an internationally celebrated Greek-American artist whose vibrant, dynamic works are featured in major collections worldwide. Born with severe physical and developmental challenges, including a seizure disorder that limits his ability to speak, Nicholas found his voice through art. His bold compositions, created with extraordinary perseverance, connect deeply with

audiences by celebrating life, resilience, and the triumph of the human spirit over adversity.



NICHOLAS KONTAXIS, We Are Young, 2023, acrylic on unprimed canvas, 51 x 72 in. (129.5 x 182.9 cm.)

For more information, visit <https://goulandris.gr/en>.

About the B&E Goulandris Museum

The B&E Goulandris Museum is one of Greece's premier cultural institutions, dedicated to inspiring creativity and fostering a love for art through exceptional exhibitions and educational programs.