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### Raffaele Cioffi, Vapors of light

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“Raffaele Cioffi draws from the anti iconic, post analytical traditions, but I would say he is more a “trans-analytical” painter, who uses his skills, well registered in its phases, as a tool not as a purpose, eventually free to interlace topics and elements to fulfill his research.

He’s not worried about telling a story, rather he prefers to put the viewer in condition to enjoy an experience either poetic either perceivable, led not by recognizable elements of a common path but stimulated by the effects of the pictorial device and by the machine of intents ruled by the method.

His works are passages seeming to absorb us through baffling space-time tunnels as we see in the “Porte” series, surround us with chromatic nebulae which dissolve the light as it happens in the works called “Aloni”, or even confronting us with the sense of a reality unfolding, “detaching” from the canvas as it happens in “Smarginature”.

In each of these new works, Cioffi expresses from one side a strong “impressing” will that conducts the sense of the work, its communicative shell, from the other promotes to stimulate the feel in the viewer, suggesting a regular and continuous, almost hypnotic, pulse then broken through misleading brushstrokes.”

*Born in Desio (Milan), in 1971, Cioffi now has his studio in Lissone and lives in Milan. Cioffi graduated at Accademia di Belle Arti di Brera a Milano with Luciano Fabro, but he clarified the orientation of his search thanks to the connection with masters such as Claudio Olivieri and Mario Raciti. Having exhibited for public and private institutions, in solo and group exhibitions, his art has been acknowledged in Italy and abroad. Young Museum in Mantova Revere; Museo di Arte Moderna in Varese; Museo Nazionale di Villa Pisani at Venezia-Stra; 54° Biennale di Venezia in Turin; Villa Bagatti Valsecchi in Varedo Monza; Museo di Arte Sacra in Milano; Museo Civico in Alessandria. He has been quoted by: Giovanni Maria Accame, Claudio Baglioni, Alberto Barranco di Valdivieso, Claudio Cerritelli, Nicola Demitri, Martin Engler, Pietro Finelli, Matteo Galbiati, Marco Meneguzzo, Luca Pietro Nicoletti, Claudio Olivieri, Mario Raciti, Francesco Tedeschi, Martina Valente, Valeria Vaccari.*

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