

Biography:

f’ is a visual artist who traces his research path between exploration and experience.

Through the intricate relationship between humanity and nature, f' examines pressing political and social issues. By synthesizing collective data with personal practice, f' creates poetic and visionary intermedia works.f' investigates how digital episteme shapes social imagery and the perception of reality—examining how technological mediation influences perception across cultural, social, and environmental contexts.

The human body is at the epicenter of f' practice, regarded as both an object of control and a site of resistance, whether in terms of physical mobility or perceptual management. This concern has led f' to intentionally live for extended periods in border regions—places where people undergo profound biographical transformations.

f' artistic approach is grounded in direct action and responsive exchange with encountered realities, realized through participatory, inter-present processes. Complementing this, f' methodology operates through collective intelligence in synergy with professional networks.

Since 2019, f' has been part of the Wurmkos collective and serves as P.M. & Advisor for Recipient.cc.

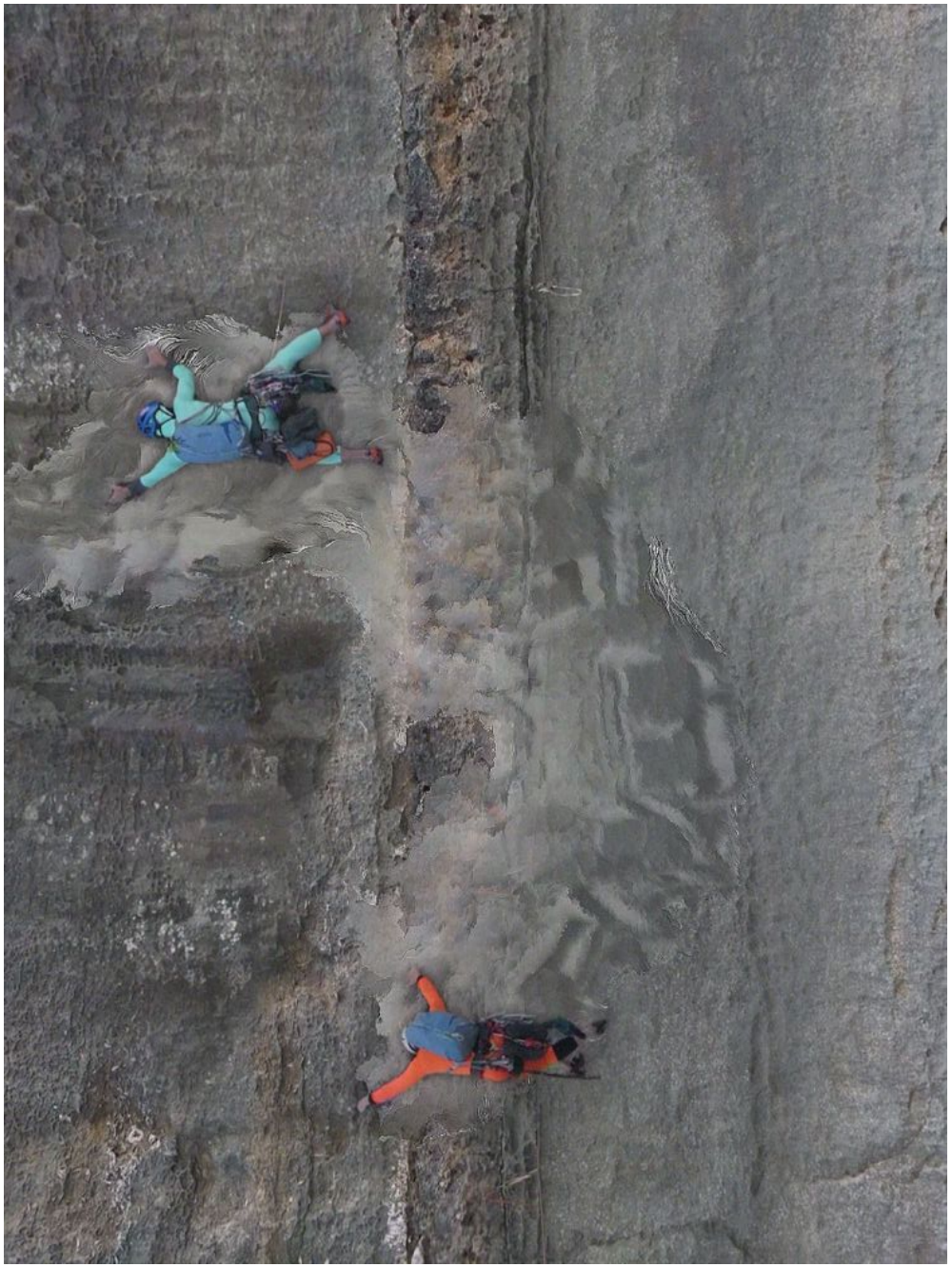
f' is the founder and artistic director of a2410.it, Carrozzeria Margot, and Mobeel.

f' archive and studio are based in Canzo, Italy.

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f’ is the founder and artistic director of various collective projects , the most recent are a2410 , Carrozzeria Margot

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CORPUS: hic sunt dracones
../Related Objects

KEYWORD: #video #para-performance #AI #Motionographic #Drone footage

CULTURAL DEFINITION:
../Edition: 1 / 5
../Site/times: Malta, 2026
../Co-authors:

Head of production | Martino Coffa

Climber | Simone Bianchini

Drone footage and video clips | Michele Caminati

Motionographer Artist | Silvio Mancini

Produced by Recipient.cc

TECHNICAL DATA:
../Object: simple
../Matter and technique: video 1600x1200, Timecode Apple ProRes 422 HQ, Colour profile HD (1-1-1)
../Weight: 8.38 GB
../Measures: 5’ 55”

DESCRIPTION:
#REL1=OFF is an intermedial work created specifically for the Malta Biennale. The title refers to a deactivation code that prevents closure and opens up new pathways: #REL1=OFF begins in fact, with an exploration, a climbing action on a section of Maltese cliff, selected by f' in dialogue with Climbing MT (Malta). The intervention involves the setting of a new climbing route, a traverse on the northern Gozo cliffs. The physical action, a #para-performance, is not conceived as a spectacular gesture, but as an act of crossing the landscape in which f' body becomes an instrument for measuring space. During the climb, f' leaves minimal and non-invasive marks on the rock, bronze casts of f' and f' climbing partner's teeth and a cast of a bay leaf, titled Psycopomps and the nymph, traces that evoke a temporary and fragile bodily presence. The action is documented in its entirety by a drone, which follows the movement of the body from the outside, producing the basic visual material for the work. The footage, subsequently reworked, is conceived as a video installation, designed to generate a perceptually alienating experience in which the landscape appears simultaneously stable and in transformation. In #REL1=OFF, the border emerges as an unstable place of tension between body, technology and representation. An audio track, titled Paralipomena of a Leaf, is not embedded in the video but is played as stand alone piece in the same exhibition space. It is accessible to the public through a QR code and unfolds additional interpretive layers of the

https://francescobertele.net/progetto/rel1off/

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artwork, linking the climbing exploration to an underlying mythical narrative. This work is dedicated to Daphne Caurana Galizia.

Collection: artist archive

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Curriculum Vitae:

Francesco Bertelé
b. 1978.
Visual artist
P.M. & Advisor at Recipient.cc
f' archive is in Canzo (Italy)

since 2023 // P.M. & Advisor at Recipient.cc
2021- 2024 // Team member and artistic director of Balkan Rope in Bihac, Bosnia and Herzegovina . Balkan Rope is an humanitarian project of Mediterranean Hope (the refugee and migrant programme of the Federation of Protestant Churches in Italy (FCEI).
since 2019// Wurmkos collective member
since 2017 // Founder and artistic director of a2410
2009-2014 // Founder and artistic director of Carrozzeria Margot
2005-2009 // Founder and artistic director of Mobeel

Solo exhibitions (selection)
2026 // - Antopia, interactive, site-specific installation at the former Mirafiori South air-raid shelter. Fondazione della Comunità di Mirafiori.
- Repertoire in intermedial mode, Thematic Pavillion. Curated by Sara D'Alessandro Mannozzo and Caterina Riva. Malta biennale 2026
2025 // - Else Space #5. I conflitti di un altrove, curated by Chiara Pirozzi. Palazzo Ducale - Urbino, Galleria nazionale delle Marche.
2024 // - Hooked Together, Historical Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo
- Flamingo loophole. Bulevard Art & Media Institute, Tirana.
- ES#1, curated by Sara d'Alessandro Mannozzo. Carrozzeria900, Milano.
- Centocapre, the film. Bulevard Art & Media Institute, Tirana.
2023 // Else space - Es#1 , curated by Waiting Room Residency, Jonas Psychoanalytic Clinic Center, Trento.
- Flamingo loophole. Gradska Galerija Bihac, Bihac, Bosnia and Herzegovina.
2022 // HSD show case, Museo Madre, Napoli.
- Kabarè 6/10, Carico Massimo, Livorno.
2019 // Walking through the walls, curated by Chiara Pirozzi, Fondazione Arnaldo Pomodoro, Milano.
- Walking through the walls, curated by Chiara Pirozzi, Mediamatic, Amsterdam.
2017// L'amoureuse initiation, "Unità d'artista", Galleria Rossana Ciocca, Milano.
2016 // I will seed princess pearls in a cave, curated by Gabi Scardi, NCTM studio Legale, Milano.
2015 // Guha, Skaftfell project space, Center for Visual Art, East Iceland.
- Centocapre "looking for yule goats" video-performance, Auditorium Kunstnernes Hus - KHIO, Oslo
2014// Centocapre, curated by Bianco Valente e Pasquale Campanella, site-specific project for 'A cielo aperto', Latronico (PZ).

Group exhibitions (selection)
2025 // "ctrl+wood" Milkit Film Studio, Cantù.

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2023 // JetLag, curated by Waiting Room Residency, Trento.
2022 // Erosive Forces Shape (Inner) Landscapes. Curated by Alessandra Troncone. Galleria Doris Ghetta, Ortisei.
- Isola prossima, curated by Matteo Pacini. Isola Polvese.
2020 // Maker Faire & Rai Cinema, curated by Valentino Catricalà e Simone Arcagni, Roma.
2019// miAbito, curated by Gabi Scardi, Museo del Novecento, Milano.
- Biennolo 2019, curated by ArtCityLab, Matteo Bergamini e Carlo Vanoni, Ex Laboratorio Panettoni Giovanni Cova, Milano.
2017// A house, halfway - curated by Andrew de Brún, Inês Geraldes, Kateryna Filyuk, Fondazione Sandretto Re Rebaudengo, Torino.
2016// The End of the world, curated by Fabio Cavallucci, Centro per l'Arte Contemporanea Luigi Pecci, Prato.
2015// Making Sense, curated by Guido Bartorelli, Caterina Benvegnù, Stefano Volpato, Fondazione Palazzo Pretorio, Cittadella (PD)
2014// Men & animals, curated by Vera Tollmann, 3rd Land Art Biennial LAM 360°, Mongolia
2012// Sinopale IV, curated by Francesco Urbano Ragazzi, Sinop Biennale, Sinop (Tuchia).
- The Wordly House, project by Tue Greenfort, dOCUMENTA (13), Kassel.

Artistic directions (selection)
2024// The Urgent (artist) Toolkit. Bulevard Art and Media Institute, Tirana.
- Diario Di Bordo, resQ people saving people. Cascina Cuccagna, Milano.
2021-2024// Flamingo loophole. Site specific civic-action. Kulturni Centar ex Dom USOJ, Bihac, BIH.
2017// a2410.it
2013// [CM] start up, Bureau, Viafarini DOCVA
2012// [CM] Manifesta, KunstArt, Bolzano.
2011// [CM] Artissima Lido - Torino / [CM] On Osloo, a project by FOS, Danish Pavillion, 54^ Biennale di Venezia.
2008 // [Mobeel] Manifesta 7, parallel events, Trento, produced by Fondazione Bevilacqua La Masa and Moleskine s.r.l.

Awards (selection)
2021//semifinalists of the STARTS Prize for Social Good.
2018// Hic sunt dracones, project Winner of the Italian Council program 4 th Edition, 2018 - MiBACT, curated by Chiara Pirozzi.
Project made possible by the support of the Directorate-General for Contemporary Creativity and Urban Regeneration an organism of the Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities and Tourism. Receiving museum: Fondazione Donnaregina per le arti contemporanee / museo MADRE.
2015// NCTM e l'arte: Artist in residence.

_____Residency/ Internship/ workshop (selection)
2026// Mirafiori dopo il Mito | L'Oro di Mirafiori program, promoted by the Fondazione della Comunità di Mirafiori (Torino) in collaboration with the scientific committee of experts from the Tavolo delle Idee.
2015// Skaftfell - Center for Visual Art, East Iceland
2014// LAM360° - Land Art Mongolia
2013// [CM] Viafarini DOCVA
2012// Prima Visione, curated by Associazione e, National Gallery of Cosenza.
2007-2008// Atelier Bevilacqua La Masa, Venezia. (with Mobeel Cultural

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Association)
2006// Professor assistant internship at the Ratti Foundation's CSAV, visiting professor Marjetica Potrc.

_____Talk&Conferences (selection)
2025 // "Borders and Movements. Exploring the impact of their negotiation on art and culture in Albania and beyond". Academy of Sciences, Center for Art Studies, Tirana.
- Flamingo Loophole: The climbing gym in Bihac (Bosnia and Herzegovina). An artistic practice as “civic commissioning”. Casa degli Artisti, Milano
- VII Escapes Conference - Memories and Places of Exile. MUDEC Museo delle Culture, Milano.
2024 // This must be the place, Università di Verona.

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