



NICOLAS MULLER By dint

Musée Ariana, 3rd November 2023–22nd September 2024

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From November 3, 2023 to September 22, 2024, the Musée Ariana is pleased to present *By dint*, result of an artist residency and a *carte blanche* offered to visual artist Nicolas Muller. Captivated by notions of conservation, traces and imprints, Nicolas Muller invites the public to take an interest in margins, interstices and hidden reality.

Nicolas Muller (France/Switzerland, 1983) evokes the nature and tangible reality of ceramic and glass collections, using techniques that are his own or that he has developed for the occasion. In the museum's collections, his attention is drawn to the crumpled silk paper used to cushion the works during transport, to the embossed and scalloped doilies used to protect a stack of plates, to the post-its and handwritten notes providing an indication of an object or indicating its absence, and to the imprints of the works on the surface of the mobile shelving.

Through drawings, videos and installations, whose poetic nature permeates the exhibition halls, he tells the story of objects, their hidden face, their alteration and their absence. The connection with the collections is ubiquitous: the rolls of paper rubbed with a blue pen echo the cobalt oxide-painted motifs on Chinese porcelain, while the erased wall refers to wear and tear over time.

Website : www.nicolasmuller.com/

Programme (selection)

Guided tours

Sunday 5 November 2023 at 2pm (with the artist and the exhibition curator) ; on Sundays 3 December 2023, 14 January, 4 February, 3 March, 7 April, 5 May, 2024 (with the artist and the exhibition curator) at 3am | Free, no reservation required

Regards croisés

Combined tours of the exhibitions *Nicolas Muller. A force* and *Charlotte Hodes. Conversations en plein air*
Sunday, 19 November, 2023 and 10 March, 2024 at 11 am | Free, no registration required

A museum - collections

Visit the three temporary exhibitions and the reserves, in the presence of the artist and curators
Sunday, September 22, 2024, 10.30am to 12.30pm | Free, no registration required

All tours and events are in French unless otherwise stated.

For more information www.musee-ariana.ch

Press visit on demand

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