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## Oscar Mariné DAYS OF GLORY

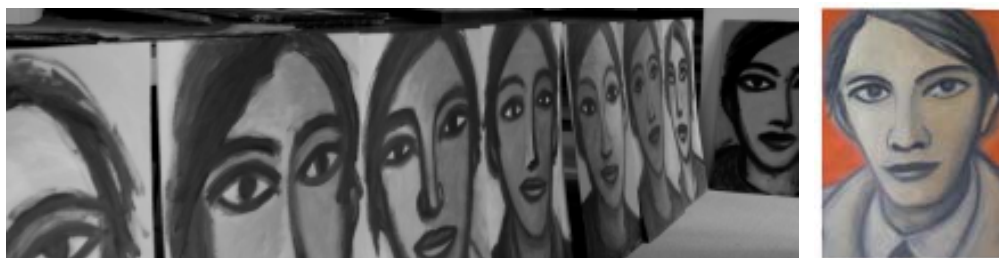
Press conference with presence of the artist: Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> of September, 10.30a.m.

Opening: 21<sup>st</sup> of September, Nit de l'Art, 8:00p.m.

Exhibition: 21<sup>st</sup> of September 2006 - 18<sup>th</sup> of November 2006

To say it with the words of Daniel Giralt-Miracle who wrote for the exhibition-catalogue: "...the career of Oscar Mariné is deeply marked for its powerful physiognomies, with penetrating features and gazes. The main figures in the poster for the films "Todo Sobre mi Madre" and "800 Balas", the play "Wit", the "Absolut Vodka", the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights, Hugo Boss, "Madrid me Mata" and even his most recent oil paintings, all have a strong countenance, different in their diction but the same in their execution. Because when Oscar Mariné portrays or invents characters he is not looking for similarity or resemblance but the manifestation of the inner Freudian eye. What interests him not is what is in front of him but what lies behind these men and women that emerge out of a liberating pictorial act, finding expression in an emphatic gesture based on thick strokes and dramatic outlines to reveal the synthesis factions of a series of imagined beings who finally exist as an artistic reality."

The power of expression of Oscar Mariné adheres to the capacity of telling many ideas with just a couple of strokes. In that beautiful simplicity abiding by the motto "less form, more spirit" (Robert Frank), the works of the artist vary so much that the observer does not really know what he had visit a few minutes before: typography, illustration, art or - perhaps the best possibility - all of the above.



Oscar Mariné took part in numerous group exhibitions in USA and Europe, furthermore in various solo exhibitions with graphical and painted work. Information about the artist and his work are published in national and international newspapers and magazines: *Affiche*, *El Cultural*, *Design Week* and *Baseline*, just to name few. Furthermore, TV-series like *Metropolis* (TVE) and *Canal Estilo* (Canal Satélite Digital) have broadcasted special series. In the course of the campaign "Pepsi Light Art," his drawings can be seen printed on millions of *Pepsi Light* tins.

ABA Art Contemporani has selected the best date of the year to present Oscar Mariné: the *Nit de l'Art*, a Palma-happening for friends, observers and supporters contemporary art.