

## **THE EMILIO AND ANNABIANCA VEDOVA FOUNDATION**

Created by Emilio Vedova and his wife Annabianca, the Emilio and Annabianca Vedova Foundation is situated at Dorsoduro 46, at the Zattere in Venice.

The main aim of the Foundation is to promote the art and work of Vedova and to highlight his importance in the history of 20th century art through a series of initiatives, such as studies, research projects, analyses, exhibitions, itineraries and teaching spaces, conferences, scholarships and prizes. The Foundation also plans to open a Centre for the Restoration of Modern and Contemporary Art Works.

The Foundation's activities faithfully reflect the will of the great Venetian artist, who, when reflecting together with his wife on the nascent Foundation, stressed how the safekeeping and conservation of his works should not be separated from initiatives to promote knowledge about his art, also in collaboration with major international museums and cultural institutions. Moreover, he wished these initiatives should constantly be directed at exploring the themes of "painting – space – time – history", which are in fact the fundamental elements of his art and his commitment.

Near its headquarters at the Zattere, is the Foundation's permanent exhibition space for the works of Emilio Vedova in the Magazzini del Sale. Open every day, except Monday, from 11.30 am to 4.30 pm, the exhibition space was designed and installed by Renzo Piano with Alessandro Traldi and Maurizio Milan; the chief curator is Germano Celant. The space is equipped with the latest technology for conserving and showing works of art to the public and will also host works by artists from all over the world to create a dialectical dialogue with Vedova's works.

The Foundation is governed by a Board of Directors with six members, including the president, who were chosen by Emilio and Annabianca Vedova.

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