

# Arte in Salotto

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### FILIPPO SALERNI

**November 7 – December 23, 2025**

**Via Milazzo 6 – 20121, Milan**

The gallery Arte in Salotto, founded by Camilla Prini and located in Brera, Milan, is pleased to announce its collaboration with sculptor Filippo Salerni.

Following a striking presentation of his new works in July 2025 in the splendid setting of Capalbio, Arte in Salotto now presents Salerni's sculptures in its Milan exhibition space, in a show running from November 7 to December 23, 2025.

The works of Filippo Salerni (Milan, 1985) occupy an interstitial threshold between the allure of ancient craftsmanship and the urgency of a contemporary language. His training at the Academies of Brera and Carrara connects him to the classical tradition of marble and lost-wax bronze casting, while his experience at Lopane workshop in Milan—specialized in the restoration of vintage automobiles—introduced him to the technical mastery of battilastra artisans, guardians of a rare and unfortunately vanishing knowledge.

Constantly driven by an insatiable desire for creative exploration and a profound fascination with metalworking, Salerni positions himself between past and present. His sculptures bear wounds, scars, and metamorphoses, the tangible results of the extreme processes they undergo.

Even the titles—"Strepitus", "Levitas", "Evertere"—reveal his sources of inspiration: the concept of explosion, the dual creative and destructive power, solar energy.

For the first time, Salerni also employs a blue patina: in "Ignis Caelum", it is fire rising toward the sky, while "Solis Caelum" depicts the rising sun.

One cannot fail to perceive a profound inspiration from Futurist aesthetics; like the sculptures of great masters Umberto Boccioni and Renato Bertelli, Salerni's works pulsate with a disruptive and primordial energy. The dualism that defines his artistic research finds full expression in the tensions animating his works, forms suspended between weight and lightness, chaos and order.

Alongside his prolific artistic practice, Salerni has collaborated for several years with major fashion houses, lending his creativity to the realization of scenographies and events for Fendi, Prada, Versace, and Stone Island, among others.

Works such as Res Flecto, the monumental installation created in 2023 for Bulgari around Milan's Arco della Pace, reveal the essence of his artistic reflection: through a colossal reflective surface, the artist returned to the city an inverted mirrored image, creating a visual fusion between past and present.

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