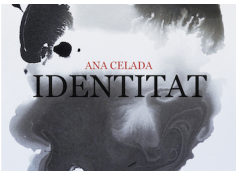

At 7.00pm on Monday 25 October, after an open-air poetry reading in support of the main function, visitors to the Ajuntament Vell will see the curtain pulled back on Ana Celada's third show at the municipal gallery, "Identitat" – the artist's statement of reflection on creation and the importance of identity.

In Celada's words, "in the era of the global village and with Earth's population in constant growth, it seems imperative to reflect on who we are, how important we are and how our actions influence others". Celada affirms that her identity is as mutable as her thinking or experience, and confides furthermore, "I am not sure that my identity is unique". In that regard, she feels fluid identities and non-radicalised personal ideologies are conducive to human values: "We can identify with others based on the mere fact we belong to the same species and are part of the same living natural world.

The show features three different works by the artist. On the one hand, there are the graphics of Celada's own fingerprint, which rely on a pictorial technique rooted in writing and, by extension, the word, thought, the verse. And, Celada says, "in the same way that fingerprints are part of the body, other featured pieces start from the shape of a heart – these hearts are free to burst or contract; some beat concisely and some seem to rebel and lose their purpose. Breaking with these two visions of the body and one's own physicality, breaking with that inner vision, a great triptych is proposed, and it is an outer vision, a look towards nature. It is about taking a breath and knowing, without drama, that everything we see depends on our gaze, and that the inner and outer worlds are of the same nature."

"Identitat" will be on view 26 October to 6 November. The gallery is open Tuesday to Saturday, 11.00am to 2.00pm and 6.00pm to 8.00pm, and closed Sundays and Monday mornings.

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