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The Danish Institute at Athens is pleased to invite you to an artist's talk in English

"You know the black stuff on Greek vases can be pink" Terra sigillata in contemporary sculpture

by

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Wednesday 18th of September at 19.00 in the auditorium of the Institute, Herefondos 14A, Plaka, Athens



The satin gloss surface of terra sigillata has left the ancient pots and after reemerging in the last century, terra sigillata can now be found in ceramics ranging from small objects to installations and monumental sculptures. Time is an essential factor for terra sigillata, and the process of making terra sigillata can span from hours to months to years depending on the desired result. The presentation takes a look at works by contemporary artists by going through a range of approaches to making and using terra sigillata; from resembling the look of wet clay to adding pigments and oxides to create bright colours. Thin layers of terra sigillata highlight the texture and markings of the clay surface, and the firing temperature is decisive for the outcome of colour.

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