

Gabbi Cattani

Royal Storyette

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TOR Art Space

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Part of the of the series *Concoction, While the exports are taking rest* curated by Katja Cheraneva

Royal Storyette is a filmed tableau based on the 1969 photo series *Royal HUSSAR* by British duo Basil Clavering (1910-1973) & John Parkhurst (1927-2000). In between staged-shooting and theatre, *Royal Storyette* investigates the relationship between self-exposure and the notion of replica of a visual reference both private and historical. *Royal Storyette* is part of Cattani's ongoing body of erotic filmed images, amateurishly performed by friends and relatives.

The video work is paired with a portrait of Cattani's friend Filippo, who appears in the film and whose face carries distinctive traits inherited through generations of intermarriage within his aristocratic family.

Gabbi Cattani (Rome, 1990) is an Italian artist living in Frankfurt am Main. Cattani works in performance, installation, poetry and video. His works featured in institutions and museums such as Mediterranean Biennale (RSM); Castello di Rivoli Museum of Contemporary Art (IT); Fondazione Prada (IT); OUTPOST Gallery, Norwich (UK); Return gallery (IR); MEWO Kunsthalle, Memmingen. Cattani is currently studying at Städelschule with Gerard Byrne.