

Press release

Photography in the Foyer. Fundació Joan Miró

Oscar Perales. *If we go on, we'll surely laugh*

From 7 October 2014 to 18 January 2015

Fundació Joan Miró presents *If we go on, we'll surely laugh*, an exhibition of eleven photographs of renowned Catalan clown Tortell Poltrona, taken by Oscar Perales.

The exhibition shows a more private side of the artist in his day-to-day life away from the stage: the man behind the red nose.

If we go on, we'll surely laugh can be viewed in the Foyer of the Fundació until 18 January 2015.



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If we go on, we'll surely laugh represents a small sample of the photographic project that Oscar Perales undertook in 2013 whereby he followed Tortell Poltrona during his daily routine. Tortell Poltrona, whose real name is Jaume Mateu i Bullich, is a Catalan clown who founded the NGO Clowns Without Borders. Through this project, Perales was reunited with a childhood hero with whom he stumbled upon after many years through an interview in which Tortell Poltrona talked about death. Upon reading the interview the photographer contacted the clown and was able to photograph him assiduously and capture the more intimate, more vulnerable side to this local celebrity.

In 2012, coinciding with the exhibition *Joaquim Gomis: From the Oblique Gaze to Visual Narration*, the Fundació Joan Miró turned part of its foyer into a space dedicated to photography. In this recently refurbished space, small exhibits dedicated to the work of amateur photographer Joaquim Gomis, first president of the Fundació Joan Miró, alternate with the work of other photographers, preferably those who combine the practice of photography with another professional focus.

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