# Press release

# COLOMBIAN ARTIST IN RESIDENCE IN LUCCA Performance by Maria Jose Arjona in collaboration with prometeogallery di Ida Pisani

A renowned Colombian artist, Maria Jose Arjona, will this year participate in the international residency organized by Lu.C.C.A. — Lucca Center of Contemporary Art in collaboration with prometeogallery di Ida Pisani and coordinated by MVIVA. A consolidated project that has reached its third edition and has seen the previous participation of Thai artists and Korean artists, always with the main partner support of Perini Journal, the magazine dedicated to the field of tissue published by Fabio Perini S.p.A. "Perini Journal", underscores Maura Leonardi, the PJL's editorin-chief, "has traditionally served as a trait d'union between the world of paper and the world of art, two similar universes that thanks to the creativity and sensitivity of artists, find expression in the spirit of unique works".

**From 9 to 17 October 2014** the artist from Bogotá will be preparing her **performance "Espiritu"** that will take place **Saturday 18 October from 5 pm to 8.30 pm** in the former **Church of San Matteo**, in piazza San Matteo 3, Lucca. Conceived to be totally interactive, Maria Jose Arjona will stage a performance where the sense of sight will be cancelled in order to find a more pure and direct dialogue with the audience. The four remaining senses will be the only channels through which to "perceive others". "Revealing the form of others", explains the artist, "by perceiving their purest form, not through the eyes, but through the spirit. The performance aims at getting to the essence of things, to that substance that allows people to be together beyond the identity that is connected to image." Touching, smelling, hearing and experiencing the presence of the audience, that becomes an active part and the main resource of the work, will be at the center of a collective experience to "find oneself through others".

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# Performance by MARIA JOSE ARJONA

Curated by Maurizio Vanni and Ida Pisani 18<sup>th</sup> October 2014 from 5 pm to 8.30 pm Former Church of San Matteo, piazza San Matteo 3 - Lucca

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