

The Cool Couple

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The Cool Couple (often shortened TCC) is an artist duo based in Milan, Italy, and established in late 2012 by Niccolò Benetton (1986) and Simone Santilli (1987). Their research focuses on the friction points that generate daily in the relationship between people and images. The idea of images as active hubs in a network, combined with a strong planning attitude, result in the use of several forms of expression, ranging from fine art photography to electrostatic wipes, from meditation rooms to Chinese cover-bands. TCC's work has been exhibited internationally at institutions such as: Center for Contemporary Strozzi (Florence), Fondazione Bevilacqua La Masa (Venice), Unseen Festival (Amsterdam), Centquatre (Paris), Les Rencontres des Arles Festival and MACRO Museum (Rome). Among the prizes they won are Francesco Fabbri Award for Contemporary Photography, Fondazione Bevilacqua scholarship, Graziadei Prize, Euromobil Under 30 Prize. They have been selected for Plat(t)form Program at Fotomuseum Winterthur and shortlisted for the Discovery Award at Les Rencontres des Arles festival.

The Cool Couple have been lecturers at: NABA (Milan), IUAV University (Venice), AplusA gallery (Venice), University of South Wales (Newport), IED Turin. They are founders of trendsetting cover band Rui & the Rainbow Dragons, members of POIUYT, a platform for image-based research, and among the editorial team of Genda Magazine.

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