

**Press invitation
Amsterdam 7 October**

The Prince Claus Fund invites you for the opening of the exhibition:

Ilán Lieberman: Niño Perdido (Lost Child)

**Tuesday 13 October 17.00 hrs.
Herengracht 603 Amsterdam**

Niño Perdido shows 75 small portraits of disappeared children from Mexico City made by artist Ilán Lieberman. For the past three years Lieberman has been carefully reproducing photos of missing children taken from the Mexico City daily Metro using a microscope and mechanical pencils. Some images are blurry and some are out-of-focus, but in each carefully drawn image, he has painstakingly recreated the exact pictorial format of the original newspaper image, as if also creating a memorial to the lost child.



The exhibition at the Prince Claus Fund Gallery is the first European exhibition of Niño Perdido and will be opened by Ilán Lieberman.. Niño Perdido was previously exhibited in the Museum of Mexico City and the El Paso museum in Texas.

Ilán Lieberman enlists the archive as a form of commemoration in Niño Perdido. Alternating between document and monument, information and photography, Niño Perdido functions as a kind of pre-obituary for the lost who may never be found. The Niño Perdido portraits are published in a catalogue with support of the Prince Claus Fund. The catalogue will be on sale during the exhibition.

The Prince Claus Fund Gallery is based at Herengracht 603 in Amsterdam. Opening hours: Tuesday – Friday 10.00 – 17.00 hrs. Free entrance. Ilán Lieberman: Niño Perdido is on show until 30 November.

Ilán Lieberman (Mexico 1969) studied art in Israel and Mexico City and received two fellowships in painting from The National Fund for Culture and the Arts, Mexico and an artist's residency at the International Studio and Curatorial Program (ISCP) in NYC. He has taught drawing at the National School for Painting, Sculpture and Printmaking at La Esmeralda in Mexico City for three years. Sections of Lieberman's drawings from the Niño Perdido series were included in several exhibitions worldwide.

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The Prince Claus Fund establishes active co-operations with partners globally in the field of culture and development. It provides immediate rescue as well as support to sustainable cultural processes and takes initiatives to raise awareness of the importance of culture in relationship to development. This is in recognition of what Prince Claus believed, that one cannot develop people, but that people develop themselves. The Prince Claus Fund is based in Amsterdam and is supported by the Dutch Ministry of Development Cooperation and the Dutch Postal Code Lottery.

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