

DenizBank continues to support culture and arts GaleriDeniz welcomes art lovers with Gl'onze Exhibition

With a perspective considering support for culture and art life of society as social responsibility, DenizBank opened GaleriDeniz at a reception with the participation of guests from the world of business, culture – arts, sports and media. Being home for only DenizBank's own collection until today, GaleriDeniz opened its gates for guests artists for the first time.

At Gl'onze, comprising works of art by Ayşen Savcı and artists from Ayşin İşeri Atelier as the first guest exhibition in GaleriDeniz, the most exquisite examples of glass and bronze art are displayed.

Having said "Yes to Arts" since day one with the aim of contributing to the cultural and artistic life in Turkey, DenizBank continues its support in this field. The Bank, which has carried out many valuable works with DenizKültür, established in 2004, is happy to welcome artists and art lovers with Gl'onze exhibition after its own collections at GaleriDeniz, located in their Head Office building, Deniz Tower.

Serving as an exhibition hall, GaleriDeniz was opened with Gl'onze exhibition, at the reception attended by guests from the world of business, culture – arts, sports and media on Wednesday, December 27th, 2017. The exhibition, named after GL for glass and ONZE for bronze, and created by artists Ayşen Savcı and Ayşin İşeri, displays more than 100 works of art, which have received numerous national and international prizes.

"We will continue with projects that add value to cultural and artistic life"

Delivering his opening speech at the reception, **DenizBank CEO Mr. Hakan Ateş** stated that they have considered supporting all fields of culture and arts as social responsibility for 20 years and they have been heartily carrying this mission towards the future with each step they have taken. Ateş said, "After having our own collections on display, we are more than happy to welcome guest artists for the first time in our exhibition hall GaleriDeniz at our Bank. We have all been mesmerized by the glass works of Ayşen Savcı, who is the master behind beautiful works in glass form and sculptures, and by the works of art in the Gl'onze Exhibition, comprising of beautiful pieces by artists from Ayşin İşeri Atelier. Supporting culture and arts means investing in the future of our country and generations to come. Investing in the future and our country is the real motivation underlying what we do. Therefore, we will continue our support in this area for our people, country and our future."

About the artists:

Living in Istanbul, Ayşin İşeri has been working on sculptures for many years at her ISD-Art Atelier with her team. She has been part of many exhibitions in Turkey and abroad and received numerous awards.

Ayşen Savcı was introduced to glass in Sweden where she lived for a long time and now she continues to work with the material at her own atelier, Studio Volcano. Stating that she is influenced by the nature and cultural heritage of where she lives, the artist interprets her art as helping glass to gain identity. Savcı's art is very much popular in Turkey and abroad.

About DenizBank

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