



ELMAR KARLA

LAPIZ



ELMAR KARLA & LAPIZ 2018

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MS ARTVILLE

About the THEALANG COLLECTIVE

In 2018 the artists ELMAR KARLA and LAPIZ founded the Thealang Collective (TLC).

Elmar Karla is a trained painter drawing inspiration from comics and known for his 'Homeless Heroes' series. Lapid on the other hand is a self-trained street artist painting huge socio-critical stencils. TLC allows them to combine their very different styles to create powerful works of art that are critical reflections of today's issues.



THEA LANG COLLECTIVE
"Maria"

Oil and Stencil on Canvas 140 cm x 140 cm



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"El Cuco"

Hamburg 2020



THEA LANG COLLECTIVE
"Freedomsucker"

Oil and Stencil on Canvas 140 cm x 110 cm

LAPIZ

LAPIZ is a self-taught artist working on canvases and walls. His ever-evolving stencil work seeks to disrupt unwitting viewers from everyday life's pseudo-soothing normalcy. While his work is socially critical, he believes that jarring realizations rendered beautifully benefit society. Anger, sadness, or disbelief are the natural inputs that precede action, organization, acts of hope – they are the byproducts of critical thought. LAPIZ creates work that simultaneously exposes the injustices of our world and the development of his own creative self. Its vivid colors scream from between the stencils' neat lines, sometimes breaking their bounds in an effort to promote truth and provoke dialogue.



LAPIZ

"Moral Kombat HK"

Stencil on Canvas 150 cm x 100 cm



LAPIZ

"Climate Carrousel"

Hamburg Gängeviertel 2019



LAPIZ

"Life in Time of Corona"

Stencil on Toilet Paper / Canvas 110 cm x 90 cm

ELMAR KARLA

Elmar Karla is a muralist, painter, illustrator, and tattoo artist based in Bremen, Germany. Absurd, bold, and detailed, his work's beauty borders discomfort, which is really just misinterpreted uncertainty. Discomfort provides fertile ground for generating new directions. In ceaselessly seeking this sensation, Karla's body of work carves space for experimentation and the uninhibited exchange of ideas.

Karla has shared his artistic mission with institutions including Hamburg's MS Artville festival, IBUG Festival, OD Gallery Amsterdam, Urbanshit Gallery Hamburg, Leipzig's Hier + Jetzt exhibition space, and the NSDM Straatmuseum in Amsterdam, curated by Peter Coolen. He has collaborated with artists and friends like Milu Correch, Lean Frizzera, and Diego Cerulli.



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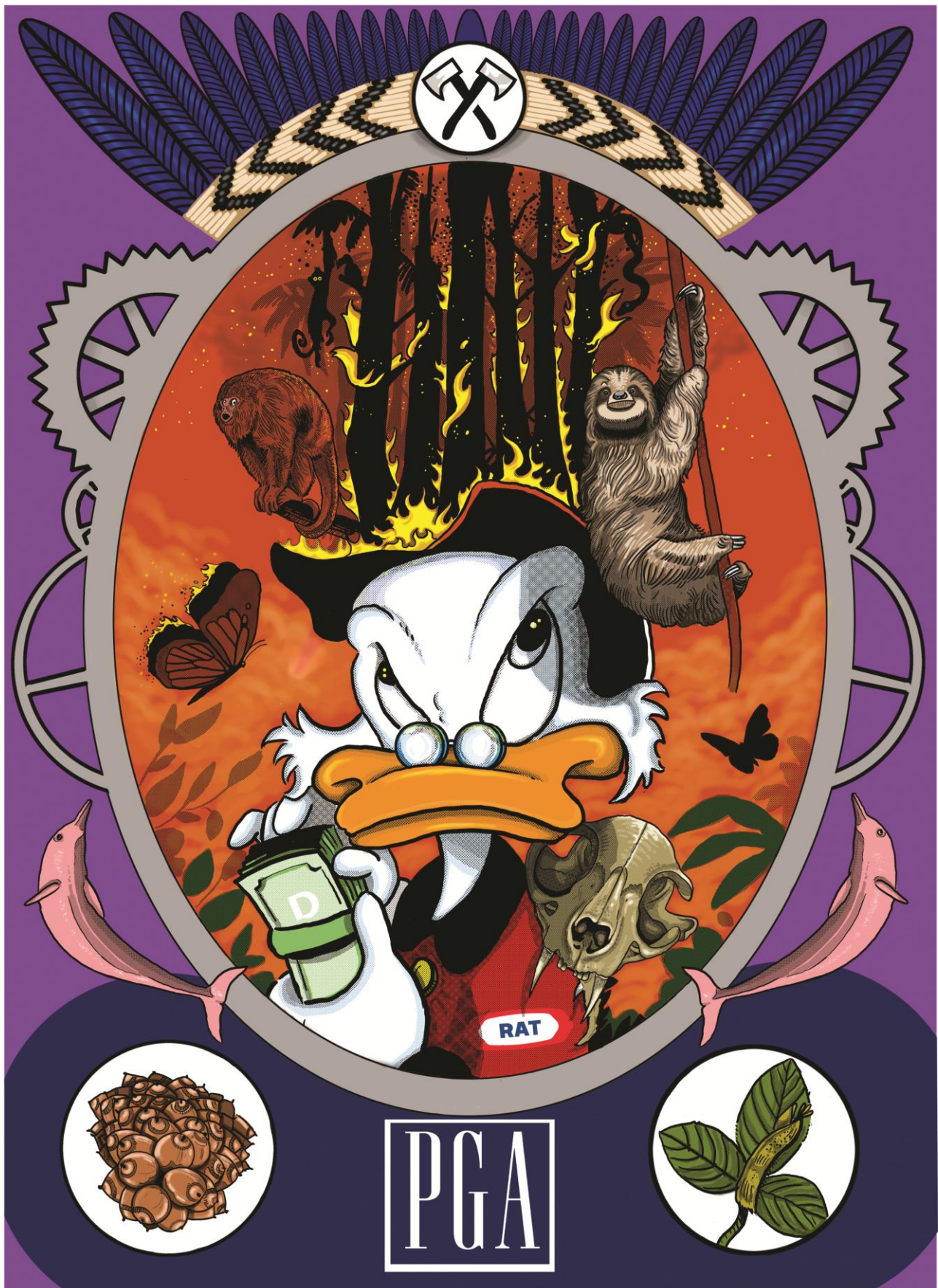
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Winni Puhs Resurrection

110 cm x 75 cm Oil on Canvas



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