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PROJECT ROOM 1

Jakup Ferri: An Artist Who Cannot Speak English Is No Artist

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opening reception: May 16, 6-8PM

Curated by Pelin Uran
as part of the Emerging Curators Series



Jakup Ferri: *An Artist Who Cannot Speak English Is No Artist*, video still, courtesy of the artist.

Jakup Ferri's videos stem from his desire to participate in the globalized systems of art production—the biennials, fairs, mega-exhibitions, and their formalized and standardized channels of communication. By narrating his resume on-screen, videotaping a studio visit, and luring potential clients and curators in heartbreakingly poor English, Ferri illuminates the conditions that regulate success and serve as filters to what is believed to be a democratic, diverse, and international art world.

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