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Theo Hios: the artist was born in Sparta, Greece in 1910. He studied law until he come to the United States in 1930. Until the outbreak of Warld War II, he studied of the Art Students League and the American Artists School, both in New York City. During the war he served as combat photographer and artist for the United States Marine Corps. He organized the first art classes given in this branch of the services. A visit to Greece in 1953 played an important part in subsequent thematic and stylistic developments in his more recent work. In his new paintings, the artist had moved directly to the problem. The purity of colors, the utter simplicity of design, probe deeply into the consciousness of man, and man's relationship to those forms which touch on the spirit at its deepest and most elemental understanding.



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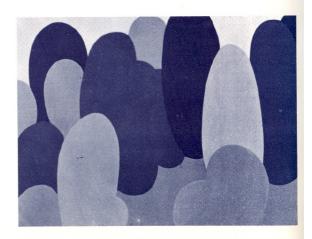
George Albert Perret, Director

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The basic quality of the work of Theo Hios as presented in the current exhibition of his recent paintings, is its elemental structure. His intersecting irregular ovals, pure colors breaking the flat surface, emphasize the reference to the archetype circle and the varying myths which have arisen and developed from it. Provocative, the paintings probe into such primitive mysteries as have moved and continue to move the spirit and works of man – in fact, what may appear simple in form, is pregnant with the aura of mystique and the realization of those basic dynamics which ever change and ever remain basically the same.

This work is of most serious intention. The canvas is lyrical but potent with burgeoning strength; it is powerful in its struggle with both time and space- surmounting them by means of color and form.

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EXHIBITIONS by THEO HIOS from 1937 to 1963

ONE-MAN SHOWS

North Carolina State Art Gallery, Weatherspoon Gallery, Greensboro, N.C. Contemporary Arts, N.Y. Silvermine Guild, Conn. Chase Gallery, Horace Mann School, N.Y. Harpur College, Endicott, N.Y.

JOINT EXHIBITIONS

Contemporary Arts, Toledo Museum of Art, Grand Central Art Galleries, Critics' choice Guild Hall, Easthampton, N. Y. Silvermine Guild, Brooklyn Museum, International Watercolor Exh.

GROUP SHOWS

New School for Social Research.
Independent Artists, Binet Gallery,
Albany Institute of History and Art,
Fed. of Modern Painters and Sculptors,
Easthampton Guild Hall,
Parrish Art Museum, Southampton,
Brooklyn Museum, Rose Fried Gallery,
Poindexter Gallery, Art in U.S.A.
Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts
Carnegie Institute- International Exhibition

TRAVELING EXHIBITIONS of the U.S. Marine Corps at:

National Gallery of Art, Museum of Modern Art, Stendahl Gallery, California, London, England and in many important galleries in major cities throughout the United States.

COLLECTIONS

Tel Aviv Museum,
Parrish Art Museum,
Riverside Museum,
Florence Museum,
and many private collections

LIST of PAINTINGS by THEO HIOS

I. Departure	36×48	1964
2. Sailing to Byzantium	24×15	1963
3. Repose	48×36	1962
4. The Guardians	36×48	1962
5. Sentiness	38×30	1962
6. Fertility #I	36×20	1962
7. Fertility #2	24×36	1962
8. Column in Motion	36×20	1962
9. Pulsating	50×60	1963
10. Beyond	48×36	1963
11. Direction in Diversity	38×30	1963
12. Fertility #3	24×36	1963
13. Eclogue	36×24	1963
14. Procession *3	24×30	1963
15. Being and Plus	30×24	1963
16. Aurora Borealis	24×16	1963
17. Galaxy	10×18	1963
18. Becoming	24×30	1963
19. Meteora	16×22	1963
20. Magnetic	30×24	1963
21. Cluster *I	30×24	1964
22. Cluster #2	36×24	1964
23. Fertility #5	50×72	1964
24. Submerged	36×48	1964
25. Fertility #7	36×48	1964
26. Unison	20×13	1964
27. Meditation	24×36	1964
28. Night	24×30	1964
29. Twilight	24×30	1964
30. Engulfed	24×30	1964