Jannis Kounellis, Whose Ingenious, Poetic Work Helped Defined Arte. 17 Feb 2017. Jannis Kounellis, who has died aged 80, made a highly distinctive contribution to one of the most provocative artistic movements in postwar Europe. Kounellis' work has been a major figure in contemporary art for over fifty years. The artist is often considered a painter before sculptor, he says that as a man in the world, he had to invent his own world.

Kounellis was born in Piraeus, Greece, but moved to Italy, where he began exhibiting paintings in the 1960s. He considers himself to be a Greek person but an Italian artist. Born in Greece, he moved to Italy in 1956.

Jannis Kounellis was a Greek Italian contemporary artist based in Rome. A key figure associated with the Arte Povera movement, his work is included in the exhibition Arte povera e la cultura pop at the Galleria La Bertesca in Genoa, Italy.

This exhibition is curated by Germano Celant and includes a panoply of unusual ingredients, like the Greek artist Jannis Kounellis. The images I have in mind, let's call them my images, are born during the Renaissance and the Counter-Reformation.

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