1971 History of a artwork

January

On 22 January 1971, Jordi Costa, 21 years old, opened the gallery Taller de Picasso. The first exhibition showed Pablo Picasso's artworks.

October

On 25 October 1971, the Mayor of Barcelona, José María Porcioles, inaugurated a commemorative plaque in the gallery Taller de Picasso about the first workshop of Pablo Picasso in Barcelona. The press published a photograph with Porcioles, the Viscount of Güell and Jordi Costa. Taller de Picasso organized the first tribute for 90th anniversary of Pablo Picasso. Jordi Costa commissioned the illustrator Luis Díaz a poster that evokes the links between Pablo Picasso and Barcelona.

November

On 22 November 1971, the gallery Taller de Picasso suffered an attack with explosives and was destroyed in the context of a wave of acts against cultural centers in Spain. The attackers linked Jordi Costa with Pablo Picasso and with the defense of cultural freedom against the dictatorship. The plaque in honor of Pablo Picasso is preserved today in the City Council with traces of fire and recalls a time of barbarism against cultural freedom and artistic creativity.