

1964, 1969, 1977, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2025 Curated by Helen Hughes & Spiros Panigirakis

Artists: Peta Clancy, Lane Cormick, Linda Erceg, Katherine Huang, Eliza Hutchison, Clinton Naina, Raquel Ormella, Masato Takasaka

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1995-2005 saw artists, locally and globally, grappling with philosophical concepts of time, duration, and periodisation. The curatorial framework of 1964, 1969, 1977, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2025 references the practices of three artists associated with Gertrude's exhibition and studio programs between 1995 and 2005, each of whom developed a rigorous and distinct conceptual approach to making art that hinged upon bringing together multiple points in time and space: Mutlu Çerkez, Damiano Bertoli, and Masato Takasaka. This exhibition does not attempt to survey the decade, nor the work of Çerkez, Bertoli, and Takasaka. Instead, it presents a small selection of artists from the 1995-2005 period at Gertrude along timelines that loop, multiply, and collapse.

- Helen Hughes and Spiros Panigirakis

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List of works

1. Masato Takasaka

ALMOST ALMOST EVERYTHING ALL AT ONCE, TWICE, THREE TIMES (IN FOUR PARTS...) RETURNAL RETURN REDUX* works from the permanent collection and selected loans from the EVERYTHING ALWAYS ALREADY-MADE STUDIO MASATOTECTURES MUSEUM OF FOUND REFRACTIONS (1977-2025) 2025

foamcore, pegboard, laserprints, found objects and printed materials dimensions variable

Courtesy of the artist and STUDIO MASATOTECTURES, Naarm Melbourne

2. Lane Cormick

Vanilla Sigartje 2002/2025

cow hide, bed, doona, pillow, MDF, wall paint, suit, coat hanger, ink on paper, record sleeves, glass bottles, glasses, Gabriela Sabatini eau de toilette, Paul Smith socks, cardboard box, metal Virgin Marys dimensions variable

Courtesy of the artist and Daine Singer, Naarm Melbourne

3. Raquel Ormella

Living in Other People's Houses 2002 cardboard, acrylic paint, type C photograph mounted on aluminium, plastic shopping bags, cotton on flannelette, photocopied A6 zines dimensions variable

Courtesy of the artist and Milani Gallery, Meanjin Brisbane

4. Peta Clancy

here merri merri lies 8 2024 inkjet pigment print mounted on Dibond 115 x 150 cm

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Courtesy of the artist and Dominik Mersch Gallery, Sydney

5. Katherine Huang

Stave tree, shape machine 2025 mixed media dimensions variable

Courtesy of the artist

6. Eliza Hutchison

Porphyria's Story 1995-2025 single-channel digital video, colour, sound, TV monitor 34:23 minutes

Courtesy of the artist

7. Linda Erceg

Hair Work 2025 felted human hair dimensions variable

Courtesy of the artist

8. Peta Clancy

Dust 5/9/2016-24/2/2025 2025 inkjet pigment print 200 x 78.5 cm

Courtesy of the artist and Dominik Mersch Gallery, Sydney

9. Eliza Hutchison

You might be anything. And I love you. 2025 multi-channel digital video, colour, silent, TV monitors, lupas, router self-generating, no fixed duration

Courtesy of the artist

10. Linda Erceg

Vox Virtua 2004 digital image from archived video still 42 x 59.4 cm

Courtesy of the artist

11. Raquel Ormella

A page from an incidental biography 2024-25 recycled DL C4 and C5 envelopes, wax and oil coloured pencils, steel shelf dimensions variable

Courtesy of the artist and Milani Gallery, Meanjin Brisbane

12. Clinton Naina

Heritage Colours 2000/2025 soil, drop sheet, painted timber fence, laser prints, plastic chair, heater, clothes horse, milk crate, paint, projection $354.5 \times 694.5 \times 598$ cm

Courtesy of the artist and Gallerysmith, Naarm Melbourne

