4A CENTRE FOR CONTEMPORARY ASIAN ART

Constellation Seung Yul Oh Soo-Joo Yoo Kijeong Song Eunhye Hwang



Exhibition Dates 19 March - 30 April 2011 Opening Event Saturday 19 March 2011 at 1230PM To be Launched with a Special Performance by EUNHYE HWANG It Without A Blink 1230-230PM

4A Centre for Contemporary Asian Art presents 'Constellation' an exhibition that brings together four Korean artists who live and work outside of Korea. It explores experiences of diaspora amongst a 30-something generation of artists. Based in Sydney, Auckland and Berlin, these artists investigate new communicative possibilities through diverse mediums such as performance, new media, video and drawing.

These artists enable us to witness our nuanced relationship with objects, materials, other people and ourselves through playful use of material and form.

Seung Yul Oh transforms childhood memories into surreal large-scale installations. His whimsical works experiment with colour, material and movement as he reanimates toys and games by exaggerating their familiar scale. He presents two oversized inflatables squashed into 4A's street front gallery. In 'Rain', a large projected interactive computer game, the audience can create an onscreen kaleidoscope of rain, vegetation, and animals through the speed of their own movements.

Sydney based artist, Soo-Joo Yoo, challenges the traditional definition of drawing as a two-dimensional process. Yoo draws with materials which stretch out from the wall to intersect space, creating sculptural environments.

Kijeong Song, also working in Sydney, employs photography as a means of observing the nuances and intimacies of others' lives. In her earlier work she photographed couples in intimate settings. Her newly commissioned work at 4A is an extension to her earlier practice with a focus on intergenerational relationships.

At the Opening Event 4A will present a special performance, 'It Without A Blink', by Berlin based artist Eunhye Hwang. Hwang's performances investigate communication through public interventions that draw on participatory engagement by an often unexpecting audience. Members of the audience are invited to register their names that will then be orchestrated into a complex arrangement of movement and vocalisation by the artist and an eclectic group of singers and dancers, and performed back to them. Previous notable performances include PS1 at MOMA, New York in 2010, 'Body and Eros' Venice Biennale, 'SONAR' Kunstmuseum Celle, Germany and 'Insomnia' Le Generateur, Paris in 2007.

Interested participants can register their name to be performed or to become a performer by emailing us at info@4a.com.au



181-187 Hay Street Sydney NSW 2000 info@4a.com.au www.4a.com.au tel: 02 9212 0380 fax: 02 9281 0873 Open 11am-6pm, Tuesday - Saturday, closed public holidays Image: Eunhye Hwang, 'Palms' (detail) performance, 2008. Photograph: Branko Miliskovic. Courtesy of 4A and the artist.











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