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## Media Release

The Asia-Australia Arts Centre is pleased to present the March exhibition program with three new exhibitions, *New Releases*, *Li Ji Warrior Girl*, and *You Make Me Feel Like Love Peace and Happiness*.

*New Releases*, curated by Emil Goh in association with dLux media arts. Inspired by the ubiquitous neighbourhood video store, Gallery 4A will be transformed into an entertainment lounge with videos to pick and watch at the viewer's choice. *New Releases* is a showcase of recent works on video by 33 young artists from around the world.

Emil Goh won the NSW Travelling Art Scholarship in 1996, and has recently returned to Australia after spending three years living in London completing his MA at Goldsmith College, University of London.

*Li Ji Warrior Girl*, animated video and audio installation by Kate Beynon. Li Ji is the modern reincarnation of an ancient Chinese heroine by the same name. As she wanders through Melbourne at night, she encounters new hostilities. But unlike the threat of the maiden-eating python of her past life, Li Ji battles with the issue of being accepted as Australian. *Li Ji Warrior Girl* is an exploration into the complex issues of race, identity, migration and belonging.

Kate Beynon is an emerging Melbourne based artist who was exhibited in *Perspecta '99* at the Art Gallery of New South Wales and has also shown at the Museum of Contemporary Art, National Gallery of Victoria as well as internationally.

*You Make Me Feel Like Love, Peace and Happiness*, new works by Dani Marti. Linda is a teaser and a seducer. Linda is the personification of Marti's work of highly textural weave. Representing psycho-sexual tension, strands criss-cross to reveal sensual curves that are at the same time, stretched taut along the plane. Like magnified swatches of fabric, the works act as conjuring devices, giving the viewer leave to create their own Linda provided it is within the bounds which dictates her persona.

Dani Marti is a young Sydney based artist. He has had exhibitions at the Art Gallery of New South Wales, Artspace, Gitte Weiss Gallery and Gallery 19.

Preview: 15 March, 6-8pm  
Exhibition Dates: 16 March to 14 April 2001  
Venue: The Asia-Australia Arts Centre  
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Admission: Free  
Gallery Hours: 11-6pm Tuesday - Saturday or by appointment  
The Asia-Australia Arts Centre will be closed Easter Friday 13 April.

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