

SOIL AND STONES, SOULS AND SONGS

This major traveling and transforming exhibition presented by Kadist San Francisco / Paris, the Museum of Contemporary Art and Design (MCAD) in Manila, and Para Site Hong Kong, curated by **Cosmin Costinas** and **Inti Guerrero**, is based on several intertwined lines of tension and narratives found today in the realities, artistic and cultural production, and contemporary thought in the Asian sphere and beyond. It is constructed on a spectre of art practices, new commissions, works from the Kadist collection, cases studies curated by **Yongwoo Lee**, **Qu Chang**, and **Simon Soon**, and experiments on forms and processes addressing, directly or symbolically, several broad categories of issues. These can all be traced to the seismic forces that have transformed the world over the past decades, with Asia being at the forefront of these changes.

The unleashing of the forces of the global market in the region has modified the forms of production, labour, landscape and environments, as well as wider societal structures across the continent. The anxieties of the new world, and the often competing aspirations of these reshaped societies are in search of new forms of imagining the political, of new ideas meant to give sense and direction to the changing realities. Many of these ideas try to position themselves in opposition to liberal democracy—perceived as foreign—or even outside of the parameters of Western modernity, often creating complex and hybrid ideological projects. Sometimes continuing ideas from the anticolonial struggle and from the postcolonial nation building process, these ideological projects are nevertheless very current adaptations to the region’s rejuvenation and to what is seen as the crisis of the West. In this respect, there is a thread uniting as disparate ideas as the neo-Confucianist revival of the Communist Party in China to new ideas about what it means to be indigenous across the colonized world, from Melanesia to the Americas, passing through what appears to be a more conventional resurgence of nationalism in different countries. This latter phenomenon has catalysed revisionisms of historical issues and of various founding myths (of communities and of the world itself) in the face of historical and ecological threats, leading to a general horizon of anxiety. This fear extends, however, beyond Asia, finding a fertile ground in a world marked by a loss of certainties, by the anxiety of a shifting geopolitical order in the postcolonial and post-Cold War Era, and by the unease and violence often accompanying the transformation of traditional economic and cultural patterns.

How can an art exhibition convey this? How can forms, objects, and matter translate the contextual anxieties we are pointing out? How can the infinite complexities of the horizon over our continent be translated, not to mention the complexities defining the actual object and spectre named China, which appears at the centre of these issues? The exhibition attempts these through several interrelated threads, as well as through a number of separate case studies that compose a kaleidoscopic vision of our subject. It is also particularly attentive to aesthetic vocabularies and to how the search for an outside to Western modernity has been reflected in the references or the forms employed by artists of various generations and geographies. While many of the stories traced are occurring within Asia, the exhibition also tries to understand the transformations happening on our continent by tracing their echoes, resonances, and mirrored shadows outside its shores, near and far.

The soil is the practical, symbolic and often sacred home of the nation, the repository of its history, as well as its most valued economic asset. The exhibition presents the soil in its multiple understandings, from that of a concrete (albeit spiritually invested) landscape, to its physical and no less sacred quality as an object, as well as to its conceptual form as a crucial element in defining a nation. The exhibition also introduces environmentalism as a growing determinant of cultural phenomena, while expanding the geographical implications of Asia, to its inner and outer peripheries in the Pacific, and beyond.

A body of works in the exhibition looks at the convulsions of societies affected by extractionist economies, often implemented by dominant multinational corporations, as a continuation of past colonial projects. These cases, from the Philippines, India, Bougainville, Australia, to Mongolia, often see a continuation and overlap between Western and Chinese dominance. In many of these contexts, the deep transformation of landscapes as well as of communities encounter and clash with traditional ideas on the use of and relation with the soil. Some contexts experience the dislocation of indigenous cultures more radically and violently than others, the modern project entering some societies as an existential cataclysm, with historical and environmental manifestations, from the Aboriginal communities in Australia, discussed in **Peter Kennedy** & **John Hughes**’ historical film, to the complex consequences in the Pacific island of Bougainville, addressed by **Taloi Havini**. In the Philippines or in India, as reflected in the work of **Edgar Talusan Fernandez** and the new commission by **Prabhakar Pachpute**, the struggles related to mining are entangled in broader social issues. The works of **Simryn Gill** connect the profound transformations of landscapes by mineral extraction, to the equally severe consequences of mass scale palm oil production. In Mongolia, the nomadic respect for the untouched soil, which formed an early basis for the deep phobia towards agriculturalist China, with its growing interest in its Northern neighbour’s underground resources, is now a significant reason behind the escalating Sinophobia in the country. The deep anxiety felt in Mongolia towards the excavation of its territory (by China or its agents) is often gendered and sexualized, being associated with the fear that Mongolian women (metaphors of the sacred motherly soil) will be impregnated by Chinese men. **Tuguldur Yondonjams**’ works playfully and ironically reveal the allegorical imaginary behind the anxiety in both its historical and current manifestations in Mongolia. China itself experienced such a deep conflict between the understanding of soil as a fundamentally spiritual landscape and as a resource at the beginning of its modern era, illustrated in the late Qing dynasty’s reluctance in building railroads, in order not to disturb the ancestral graves and the *feng shui* of its territory. Soil and agriculture, together with the issues of land rights (particularly in China, where the transition towards an economy based on private property has not yet settled the question of land ownership) and the complex rural-urban dynamics across Asia are present in the works of **Li Bin Yuan**, **Truong Cong Tung**, alongside the aforementioned works by **Simryn Gill**. **Agri-Aquaculture: An identity report on Hong Kong**, the case study curated by Qu Chang looks at the connections between soil and agriculture, history and territory, and the rapidly shifting identity of Hong Kong. The city is further discussed through the works of **Ho Siu-Kee**, **So Wai Lam**, and **Ocean Leung**, with a

particular attention to its accelerated process of self-interrogation and radical political imagination in the post-Umbrella Revolution years, making it into one of the sites where anxiety for the future and competing attempts to address it are felt more acutely.

The deep feelings of anxiety in the region are analysed through phenomena connected to the resurgence of nationalisms, with all their founding myths, insistence on ethnicity, territory, common stories, and souls, particularly manifested in the fractured social body of Asia with its anxieties of complex ethnic landscapes, oscillating between agonistic conviviality and the spectre of violent antagonisms. Among these phenomena, new representations of the distinctiveness of the nation have surfaced, often based on romantic views over past idyllic civilizations in their respective countries or on previous (and often contested) moments of glory or collective tragedy. Chinese neo-Confucianism of the past decade and the country’s longstanding obsession with historical humiliation and vindication in relation to the West or Japan are good examples of these reflexes. These ideological instrumentalizations of history and national narratives are being questioned throughout Asia by artists such as **Chulayarnnon Siriphol** looking at the deep divisions in Thailand in recent years and at how nationalist narratives play along this divide; **Pio Abad** dissecting the toxic legacy of the Marcos regime in the politics and culture of the Philippines; and by **Shitamichi Motoyuki** tracing the remains of *torii*, sacred Shinto gates in various parts of Asia and the Pacific occupied by Japan in the Second World War, bringing thus in the discussion the relics of the last tragic attempt of a new Asian order with Japan as its hegemon.



Mariana Castillo Deball
Untitled, 2014
Laserchrome prints mounted on dibond
270 x 180 cm each
Courtesy of the artist and kunmanzutto, Mexico City

Li Ran’s piece alludes ironically to China’s new hegemonic position and the insecurities associated with the cultural manifestations of this position of power. **The Phantom Modern**, the case study curated by Lee Yongwoo offers a broader context for the convulsions of modernity throughout Asia, navigating from history to spirituality and popular culture.

However, the works in the exhibition are not only meant to translate narratives, they are assembled to reveal the position of forms, matter, objects, and language in resonating these conflicts and world views. The identification of cultural specificity through visible formal codes remains a deep reflex in our contemporary world, and while artists in the show operate on different formal avenues, dissidence from a single canonical art history is a unifying thread of their artistic practice. In the exhibition, the case study curated by Simon Soon revisits the seminal 1974 exhibition by Malaysian artists **Redza Piyadasa** and **Sulaiman Esa**, **Towards a Mystical Reality**, a major moment in the history of conceptual art in Asia. Conceived as a manifesto exhibition, it explored the ideas on the art object of what the two artists regarded as the “Western” neo-avant-garde and how these related to conceptions of reality, matter, and objects

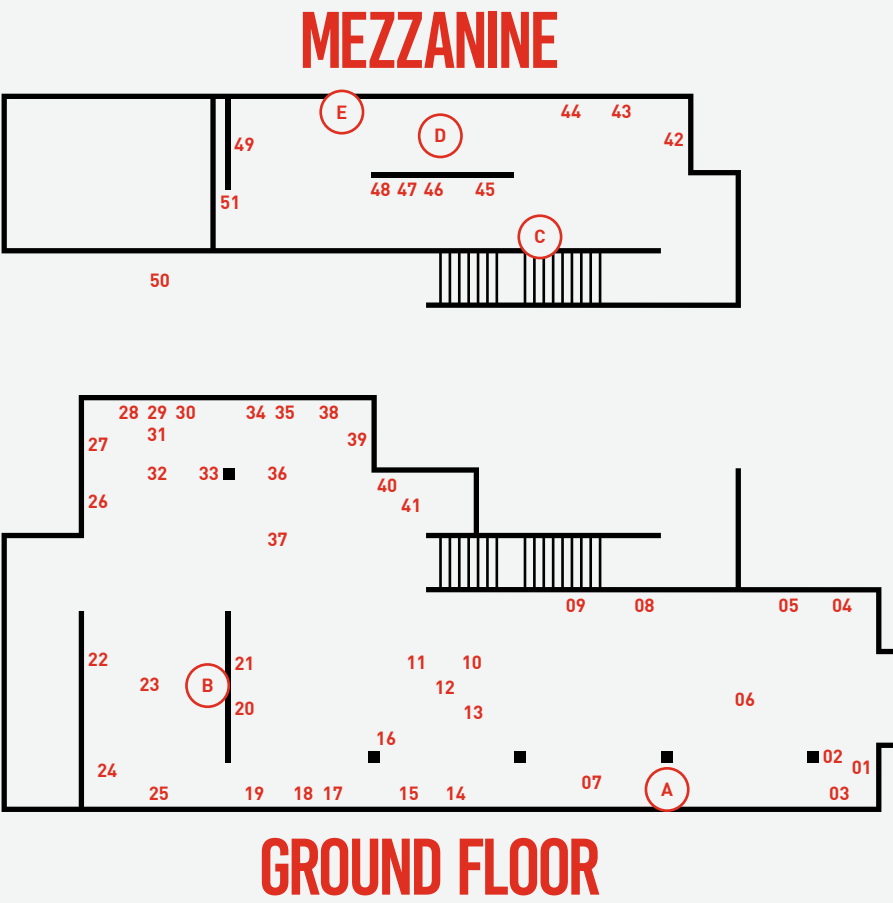
in Asian philosophies and spiritual systems. The 1974 exhibition has been a relevant and influential example of local references being summoned for the production of modern cultural projects that see themselves as distinct from a Western model. Another case study in the exhibition looks at the works of **José Maceda**, a Filipino musician known for his concrete compositions using ethnographic instruments from the Philippine archipelago and often involving large numbers of performers. His artistic language, bringing together a nativist folkloric element as well as a neo-avant-garde method, reflected the ideology of the Marcos regime, striving for a Philippines that was both authentic and distinctive in its national character as well as a modern nation, firmly integrated in the US-led world. The exhibition is, however, not interested in his work because of its illustration of a failed dictatorship, but rather because of its relevance for a cultural pattern of nativist versions of modernisms, that were created alongside ideological attempts to imagine modernities that were distinct from the Western one. Related to the

work of Maceda is the contribution of **Walter Smetak**, who has worked throughout the 20th century with the indigenous musical traditions of Brazil. The work of **Mariana Castillo Deball**, and of veteran artist and activist **Jimmie Durham** are striking commentaries about the ambiguities behind the narratives of indigenous cultures in today’s world. **Josh Faught**’s work alludes to a more contemporary process of building a community within a broader mainstream society, in the post-AIDS queer community of the US. Hybridity, cultural conflict and layering pervade the works of **Kawayan de Guia** and **Dominique Zinkpé**. **Ion Grigorescu**’s works reveal his negotiations of the national, the individual, and the spiritual in the Romanian context, which alongside other parts of Europe sees its cultural legacy at least partially removed from hegemonic western modernity.

In a similar line of deep spirituality and blasphemous inquiry sits the rather unacknowledged drawing impressions of a trip to India by **Gendün Chöpel**, a Tibetan modern artist, writer, and monk of the first half of the XXth century, who became fascinated with the tropical version of Buddhism in the South, while creatively and sometimes scandalously juggling his religious beliefs and a desire towards modernity. The works of artists such as **Meschac Gaba**, **Sheela Gowda**, **He Xiangyu**, **James T. Hong**, **Trevor Yeung**, **Valerie Snobeck**, and **Trương Công Tung** mentioned before, explore, each in its own way, the multiple cultural implications of objects and matter, of natural and cultural items, in the rapidly industrializing and urbanizing contexts in which they each work. **Pratchaya Phinthong**’s discreet piece is a poetic commentary on the distortions of scale and distance in the world, brought about by the great unsettling of the past decades.

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CASE STUDIES

A Meekamui Pontoku Onoring

B The Phantom Modern curated by Lee Yongwoo

C Udot-Udot and Ugnayan by José Maceda

D Towards a Mystical Reality by Redza Piyadasa and Sulaiman Esa, curated by Simon Soon

E Agri-Aquaculture: An identity report on Hong Kong curated by Qu Chang



EDGAR TALUSAN FERNANDEZ
Born: 1955, Philippines
Lives and works: Philippines

02 Our Lands Are Marked for Destruction...And We With Them, 1979
Gift of the Catholic Bishops’ Conference Episcopal Commission on Tribal Filipinos

lands. The piece both rallies against the damage caused by excessive mining, and also promotes Tribal Filipino Sunday, which was held on October 14, 1979 – presently known as Indigenous Peoples’ Sunday. Fernandez remains one of the leading figures in Philippine art, and a known activist – founding two progressive art groups in the 1970s and 1980s: Kaisahan and Concerned Artists of the Philippines.



HO SIU-KEE
Born: 1964, Hong Kong
Lives and works: Hong Kong

04 Making Brick, 2005
Courtesy of the artist

38 Walking on Two Balls, 1995
Courtesy of the artist



PRABHAKAR PACHPUTE
Born: 1986, India
Lives and works: India

07 Broken Varaha, 2016
Courtesy of the artist



PETER KENNEDY
Born: 1945, Australia
Lives and works: Australia

JOHN HUGHES
Born: 1968, Australia
Lives and works: Australia

01 On Sacred Land, 1983-1984
Courtesy of the artists

producer, writer and director in documentary and drama. He has taught filmmaking, cinema and cultural studies and was Commissioning Editor for documentary with SBS Independent.



SIMRYN GILL
Born: 1959, Singapore
Lives and works: Australia / Malaysia

03, 44 Vegetation, 2016
Courtesy of the artist

05 Eyes and Storms, 2012-2013
Courtesy of the artist and Utopia Art Sydney

43 Skin, 1994
Courtesy of the artist and Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide

via poetically critical sleight of hand. She aggregates her modest interventions into encyclopedic series comprised of dozens of components, in which the smallest gestures—repeated or expanded—generate resounding statements.



TALOI HAVINI
Born: 1981, Bougainville / Papua New Guinea
Lives and works: Australia

06 Beroana (shell money), 2016
Courtesy of the artist

transmission of Indigenous Knowledge Systems. In her research, she engages with living cultural practitioners and Oceanian material collections and archives. She often responds to these experiences and sites of investigation with experimental ceramic installations, print, photographic and video works in solo and collaborative works. She is actively involved in cultural heritage projects, exhibitions, research and community development in Melanesia and Australia.



HE XIANGYU
Born: 1986, China
Lives and works: U.S.A

08 Wisdom Tower (A Pretty Girl), 2013
Courtesy of the artist and White Space Beijing

09 Palate Project-Everything We Create is Not Ourselves 16-1, 2014
Courtesy of the artist and White Space Beijing

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MESCHAC GABA
Born: 1961, Benin
Lives and works: Benin / Netherlands

10 Hubert Mags (perruque MAVA musée d'art de la vie active), 2010-2011
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

12 The Isle of Man, 2016
Courtesy of the artist and kurimanzutto, Mexico City

to exchanges between Africa and the Western world. His works often explores themes of globalization, consumerism and the Western museum through acts of artistic appropriation.

In his recent work, he has produced a number of sculptures and various figures out of braided hair extensions – a popular trend in African-American culture.



JIMMIE DURHAM
Born: 1940, U.S.A.
Lives and works: Italy

12 The Isle of Man, 2016
Courtesy of the artist and kurimanzutto, Mexico City

IX, ICA London, Exit Art New York, the Museum of Contemporary Art, Antwerp and the Palais des Beaux-Arts, Brussels. He also published a large number of essays in books and periodicals, including Art Forum, the Art Journal and the Third Text. Since 1994, he has been based in Europe. Durham has participated in the Venice Biennale (2013, 1999, 2001, 2003 and 2005), Documenta (IX, XIII) and the Whitney Biennale (1993 and 2006, 2014), among others.



SHEELA GOWDA
Born: 1957, India
Lives and works: India

14 No Title, 2016
Courtesy of the artist

15 Breaths, 2002
Courtesy of Sunitha and Niall Emmart

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charred exteriors and fragile and broken parts of the twigs. Incense is an industry in India that predominantly employs women, and has remained unchanged in structure and operations for generations.

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JAMES T. HONG
Born: 1970, U.S.A.
Lives and works: Taiwan

11 Taiwan WMD – Uranium, 2012
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

current research focuses on nationalism and disputed territories in East Asia. **Taiwan WMD** showcases the rarely documented and much contested history of these types of destructive power within and around Taiwan.

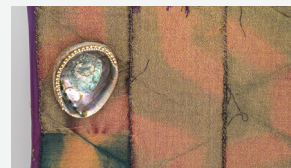
Yeung graduated from the Academy of Visual Arts of Hong Kong Baptist University in 2010. Since 2010, He has focused on developing personal projects. His practice uses botanic ecology, horticulture, photography and



TREVOR YEUNG
Born: 1988, China
Lives and works: Hong Kong

13 We Both Died At the Same Moment Siliquaria Armata, 2014
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

installations as metaphors that reference the emancipation of everyday aspirations toward human relationships. He participated in exhibitions including “CHINA 8” at MKM Museum Küppersmühle für Moderne Kunst in Germany (2015) and Shanghai Biennale 2014, in China. He was one of the 3 shortlisted artists in BMW Art Journey award with his solo exhibition “Garden Cruising: It’s not easy being green” from DISCOVERIES section at Art Basel Hong Kong 2015.



JOSH FAUGHT
Born: 1979, U.S.A.
Lives and works: U.S.A

16 Edward, 2014
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

and by his knowledge of craft from his childhood and later as assistant professor and program coordinator of fibers at the University of Oregon. He has received multiple awards including the 2009 Seattle Art Museum Betty Bowen Award, the 2011 Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Grant, and the 2012 San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Society for the Encouragement of Contemporary Art (SECA) Award.



KAWAYAN DE GUIA
Born: 1978, Philippines
Lives and works: Philippines

17 Plaga Colonial de las Pilipinas 2015
Courtesy of the artist

18 Dear Hunter, 2015
Courtesy of the artist and The Drawing Room, Manila

on Philippine society. De Guia organized AXIS Art Project, a bi-annual arts festival and was one of the curators for the Singapore Biennale in 2013.



MARIANA CASTILLO DEBALL
Born: 1975, Mexico
Lives and works: Germany

20-21 Untitled, 2014
Courtesy of the artist and kurimanzutto, Mexico City

collection that includes masks, and to popular culture as the work is based on a Mexican advertisement for an anti-psychotic medicine. The work presents the backside of a mask, this reversal playfully exploring the notion of identity and appropriation.



VALERIE SNOBECK
Born: 1980, U.S.A.
Lives and works: U.S.A.

23 Reservoirs with Stains, Dust and Burns (Arches and Bowed) 2015
Courtesy of the artist and Simon Lee Gallery, Hong Kong

materiality of the sculpture. Fascinated by found objects, the artist combines these and transforms them through processes like cutting and moulding. She calls this an un-coding of materials and their uses.



DOMINIQUE ZINKPÉ
Born: 1969, Benin
Lives and works: Benin

19 Cosmos animiste, 2012
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

these figures. They explore the different sociopolitical situations Zinkpé finds himself in at the local, regional, and international levels. His work tackles themes and concepts such as political injustice, religion, and AIDS. He also often infuses the issues of voodoo in Benin into his works.



SHITAMICHI MOTOYUKI
Born: 1978, Japan
Lives and works: Japan

22 From series torii, 2006-2012
Saipan USA
Taichung Taiwan
Sakhalinskaja Russia
Changchun China
Sakhalinskaja Russia
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

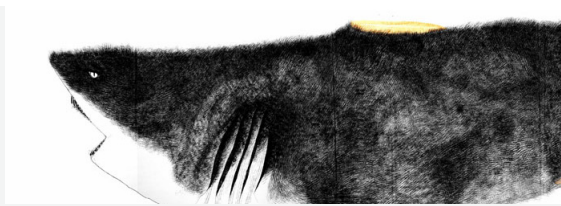
from his torii series, he worked on *Re-Fort Project* from 2004-2015.



LI RAN
Born: 1986, China
Lives and works: China

24 Beyond Geography, 2012
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

Haus der Kulturen der Welt (HKW), Berlin; The Jewish Museum, New York; Contemporary Arts Museum Houston [CAMH], Houston; Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal, Montreal; The Museum of Moscow, Moscow; Institute of Contemporary Arts (ICA), London; Centre d'Art Contemporain Genève, Geneva; CCA Wattis Institute for Contemporary Arts, San Francisco; OCT Contemporary Art and other venues. His works have also been featured in Montreal Biennale (2014), Biennale Of Moving Images 2014 (2014 In Geneva), 4th Moscow International Biennale for Young Art (2014), 2nd CAFAM Biennial (2014), 4th "Former West" Project (2013, In Berlin), 9th Gwangju Biennial (2012), 7th Shenzhen Sculpture Biennale (2012).



TUGULDUR YONDONJAMTS
Born: 1977, Mongolia
Lives and works: U.S.A. / Mongolia

25 Fin Soup & Black Lemon 2010
Courtesy of Francis J. Greenburger collection, New York

27 Chess moves, 2013
Courtesy of the artist

28 Copper mining sites of Mongolia, 2013
Courtesy of the artist

29 An antipode drawing of Chile 2013
Courtesy of Mergen collection, Ulaanbaatar

30 Fossil research drawings at the AMNH, 2013
Courtesy of Mergen collection, Ulaanbaatar

31 The secret mountain of falcons, 2012
Courtesy of Mergen collection, Ulaanbaatar

32 Antipodal alphabet chess 2013
Courtesy of the artist

33 Antipode suit #2, 2013
Courtesy of the artist

Yondonjamts's practice mainly focuses on works on paper. He tackles issues surrounding the changes affecting Mongolia's society and economic development. The nomadic culture and its symbiotic relation to nature is disappearing as the mining of natural resources (gold, coal) continues without effective control. Taking an ironic perspective, his works question how these factors are played out in the physical and psychological space between tamed and untamed worlds. The artist is currently developing a body of drawings that critiques the exportation of falcons in Mongolia to Saudi Arabia (currently 240 per year).



ION GRIGORESCU
Born: 1945, Romania
Lives and works: Bucharest, Romania

34 St. George Slaying a Dragon, 2016
Courtesy of the artist

35 Boxing, 1977
Courtesy of the artist and Andreiana Mihail Gallery, Bucharest

36 The Limping Man or The Man with the Walking Stick, 2016
Courtesy of the artist

37 Those Two, 2016
Courtesy of the artist

Grigorescu's works range from films, photographs, drawings and collages that document his own private life and that of the Romanian people under both the communist and capitalist rule. His is known for incorporating his own body as a medium in the 70's, a method which was taboo at the time.



LI BINYUAN
Born: 1985, China
Lives and works: China

26 Freedom Farming, 2014
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

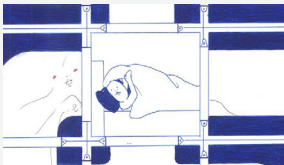
While his body of works include videos, Li Binyuan is more known for his live actions or performance art. His use of the body in his works began in the third year of university, driven by a need to express himself. His work has been part of solo and group exhibitions in the Shanghai Contemporary Art Museum; Suzhou Jinji Lake Art Museum; Suzhou; Groninger Museum, The Netherlands; Gallery Yang in Beijing; and Gallery 55, Shanghai, among others.



TRƯƠNG CÔNG TÙNG
Born: 1986, Vietnam
Lives and works: Vietnam

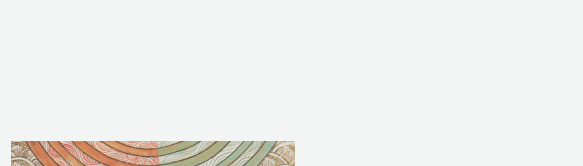
40 Journey of a Piece of Soil, 2013
41 Journey of a Piece of Soil, 2014
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

interested in spiritual culture, oral history, folklore, and magic with strange nuances. His works are a combination of video, installation, painting, and found objects that reflects his personal thinking, the changes in society and the issues of race, religion and politics.



SO WAI-LAM
Born: 1988, Hong Kong
Lives and works: Hong Kong

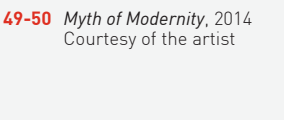
45 Underground City: The Old Fantasy of Future (text by Charles Lai), 2015/2016
Civilisation and the Ghost in Tubes (text by Felicity), 2015/2016
From Underground to Overhead Metro (text by Lo), 2015/2016
Courtesy of the artist



PRATCHAYA PHINTHONG
Born: 1974, Thailand
Lives and works: Thailand

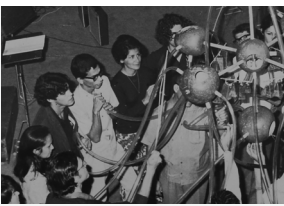
39 If I Dig A Very Deep Hole, 2007
Courtesy of the artist and Kadist, Paris and San Francisco

Fascinated by motion picture as a medium, Pratchaya Phinthong's works are short and experimental films, documentaries and video installations. Themes of personal memory, spiritualism, the supernatural and contemporary politics course through his works. The two photographs were taken in Paris and Chatham Islands, New Zealand, respectively, two locations on the globe that are geographically opposite to each other.



CHULAYARNNON SIRIPHOL
Born: 1986, Thailand
Lives and works: Thailand

49-50 Myth of Modernity, 2014
Courtesy of the artist



WALTER SMETAK
Born: 1913, Brazil
Lives and works: Switzerland

42 Professor Ernst Widmer, Swiss-Brazilian musician and composer conducting a concert of Walter Smetak's *Pindorama* instrument, Federal University of Bahia, 1949
Courtesy of the Estate of the Artist

scene of the 1960s and 1970s, part of the larger *Tropicalia* movement.



PIO ABAD
Born: 1983, Philippines
Lives and works: U.K

46 Untitled 1986
from the project 1986-2012
Courtesy of the artist

47 Ferdinand as Malakas (The Strong One), 2015

48 Imelda as Maganda (The Beautiful One), 2015
Courtesy of the artist

dictatorship - as shown in the photograph accompanying the paintings.



OCEAN LEUNG
Born: 1983, Hong Kong
Lives and works: Hong Kong

51 Untitled, 2015
Courtesy of the artist

Riot: June Fourth Festival for the Post-80s Generation. He also works on solo projects which include documentary films. His preoccupation is with the relation between art and society's manipulations, often looking at the relationship between Hong Kong and China after the Umbrella Revolution of 2014.



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