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Shiho Yoshida

Survey

Curated by Ryudai Takano

July 14 (Thurs) - August 20 (Sat)

***Summer Holiday: August 11 (Thurs) - 18 (Thurs)**

Venue : Yumiko Chiba Associates viewing room shinjuku

Park Grace Shinjuku bldg..., 206,
4-32-6 Nishi Shinjuku, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 160-0023

Talk Event: July 23 (Sat) 17:00 – 18:00

Shiho Yoshida & Ryudai Takano

Opening Reception : July 23 (Sat) 18:00 – 20:00

Yumiko Chiba Associates viewing room shinjuku is pleased to present, from July 14, 2016, an exhibition *Survey* by Shiho Yoshida.

Had they been ordinarily processed/composite photographs, I would not have been interested in them (here the “processed/composite photographs” mean the ones providing an illusory moment which are made to look real). Shiho Yoshida explored those photographs with the medium of a camera.

For example, in her solo show 2015 (since winning the Grand Prize in the 11th “1_WALL” Photography Exhibition, 2014), her photographic works had been printed on photographic paper and re-photographed. The results emphasized photographs which were no more than artificially reproduced space on thin paper. Also, her other work was shot on a PC screen, showing that it was an encounter with “reality”, but not virtual. These photos indicate how much our lives rely on the plain surface communicated through media. Despite that, Yoshida did such an ironical process based on a deep trust in photographs (Vague emotion hanging on the screen made me realize her partiality for photographs). These seemed to be a photographic attempt to go beyond the limit of photography.

Now, talk about her new works. As I have not seen them yet, I cannot make any comments. According to what she has said, they may be to do with materiality (quantity) of photographs, which is a very different topic from the one in the previous exhibition. So I am already looking forward to what kind of works will come out.

Ryudai Takano



■ Artist Statement

The memory on my hard disk has exceeded the limit in which I had kept data related to mountains. I perceived the weight of mountains themselves, which could not exist, in the disk space full of the mountains' images and collected information.

Those mountains I had taken photographs of in various places made me imagine that they would pile up in the small hard disk and make up new mountains, which are not existent in reality, as if piled-up lava forms a mountain.

The virtual mountains had neither forms nor locations, but I wanted to make a way to perceive them. So I materialized the mountains by shooting their images made optionally and compared them with real mountains and their data.

My work repeats a process to give a form of mountains on non-existing surface of the earth and to fix their outlines, which seems to me a measurement.

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*Advanced booking required, Admission free

*For booking, send an email with your name, address, and telephone number to event@ycassociates.co.jp

Ryudai Takano

Photographer, Born 1963 in Fukui. Received the 31st Kimura Ihei Commemorative Photography Award in 2006. Recent exhibitions include: "Our Beloved World" (2015, The Marugame Genichiro-Inokuma Museum of Contemporary Art), "Photography Will Be" (2014, Aichi Prefectural Museum of Art), "In the order corresponding to shooting from January 2014 to recent date" (2014, Yumiko Chiba Associates viewing room shinjuku), "Face Value: Portraits from The Kinsey Institute" (2013, The Kinsey Institute Gallery), etc. Recent publications include: "String and Coke" (2014, Seidosha) and "Manazashi ni Fureru" (2014, Suisaisha, co-written with Ikuo Shinjo, Literary Researcher).

■ Artist Profile

Shiho Yoshida

Born in 1992

Selected Exhibitions

2015 "instance" Shiho Yoshida Solo Exhibition, Guardian garden, Tokyo

2015 Photo Fure NEXT PROJECT EXHIBITION 2015, Kyu-Akiyamatei, Higashikawa-machi, Hokkaido

2014 The 11th "1_WALL" Photography Exhibition, Guardian garden, Tokyo

Awards

2014 Fox Talbot Award

2014 Grandprix, The 11th "1_WALL" Photography Exhibition

Collection

Tokyo Kogei University

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Opening Hours: 12:00 - 19:00 (Closed on Sundays, Mondays, National Holidays)