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Hiroko Uehara Solo Exhibition "Heartbeat"

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"Like a flower" 2011 / stone powder clay, paris white, oil painting, resin / 31.5 × 16.0 × 13.5 cm

TEZUKAYAMA GALLERY is pleased to announce "Heart beat" by Hiroko Uehara, the last solo exhibition this year, also part of the OAC (Osaka Art Complex)Vol.5

Uehara was born in 1985 and completed a master course at the Kyoto City University of Arts this year. At university she mainly created paintings but recently she has been focusing more on sculptures in order to find more possibilities on how to express herself. Her sculptures take advantage of the carefull observant and descriptive power used on her painting.

For example, she expresses very well her creatures' realistic soft skin on which one can almost see their blood vessels, this gentle facial expression became representative of Uehara's style. Her works have been introduced all over the world and are highly reputed.

Most of her works combine plants and humans, making us imagine various scenes. Some might imagine the image of a plant's proliferation eroding and eradicating humans. Or some might imagine the happiness of the birth of a new organism and their coexistence. This confliction of images in her art work depends on the viewers, it might, perhaps be a reflection of ourselves.

In this exhibition, we would like to exhibit her works entirely at the gallery space so that it can express her concept and sense of Uehara's creations.

We hope you will absorb the atmosphere and enjoy the exhibition.

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Relationships spread like a spider web on each encounter. The variety of forest plants rooted on earth spread like a net

Humans and plants live in the same planet, changing, rotting and moving on to the next generation. These are common points of my perspective, I combine them and create. Both are very close to me, sweet, and also mysterious creatures.

by Hiroko Uehara

Previous works



a twig stone powder clay, paris white, oil painting 11 × 51 × 18 cm / 2011

My forest woodchip clay, stone powder clay, urethane resin, paris white, oil painting, acrylic resin coating size changeable / 2012



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GYOSHO ~The Gallery Circus / Spiral. Tokyo, Japan Art Fair Kyoto

"My Favorites!" / KEN HAMAZAKI RED MUSEUM. Osaka, Japan Art Fair Tokyo

ART TAIPEI

"3 Dimension GALLERY ARTISTS"

2012 "Miniature exhibition" / JR Osaka Mitsukoshi Isetan 6F

"FLOWER POWER - Integration with Life" / Part-of Gallery. Hong Kong Art Fair Tokyo

"TUUKANE" / Kyoto City University of Arts ART GALLERY



Untitled

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