

ACAW THINKING PROJECTS Pop Ups:

Yang Xin (Beijing)

Klein Sun Gallery + Space Station (Beijing)

Curated by ACAW director Leeza Ahmady as part of Asia Contemporary Art Week (ACAW) 2017 signature program: THINKING PROJECTS— pop-up exhibition series presenting research-based on-going artistic endeavors by 9 noted artists from China, Indonesia, Turkey, India, and the United States. The series showcases the vibrancy of artistic activity inside of Asia while building deeper bonds between ACAW's Asia and New York based Consortium Partner organizations and galleries.

Yang Xin's fascination with microbiology is interpreted as an impressive scientifically infused set of multi-media works that are profoundly reflective of various essential mechanisms within the building blocks of the human body. Alongside her signatory paintings of cell-like images, the exhibition features Yang's latest site-specific installation "You're looking at me. Who's looking at you?" (2017). Consisting of plastic mulch often found in China, the work deals with the multifaceted issues stemming from human control of the ecosystem, at once addressing its influence and damaging effects to the ecological balance in the region. Co-organized with Fu Xiaodong Space Station Beijing. **Through November 25th, 2017.**

About the artist

Yang Xin (b. 1987) was born in Hunan province, China. She graduated from the printmaking department of Central Academy of Fine Arts with a bachelor's degree in 2012. Yang Xin was drawn to microbiology because cells are the original, most elemental forms of life. After studying a vast array of cells under a microscope and conducting many experiments, she developed a process for creating "cells" of pure colour that owes at least as much to the techniques of the laboratory than it does to traditional painting skills. She has been exhibited at the Seoul Museum of Art and Gymnasium, Seoul (2016), Istanbul Art Fair, Istanbul (2015); Today Art Museum, Beijing (2012); University Buffalo Art Museum, Buffalo (2011), among others. Most recently, she had a solo exhibition at SPACE STATION, Beijing (2016).

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