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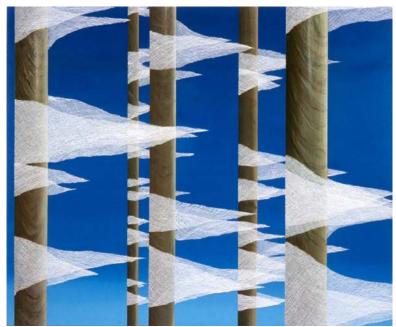
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JI OH THERE, and NOW

May 7, 2011 - June 18, 2011

PYO GALLERY, LA, is pleased to present a solo exhibition by California based artist Ji Oh; THERE, and NOW. Ji Oh's sculptures and painting operate on the periphery of subjective mark-making and free-association, to explore poetic and surrealist expression. This exhibition surveys a period that spans over fifteen years of creative inquiry, visually connecting the "there and then" to "here and now." Her surrealist inspired works hang in bold contrast to larger metaphysical structures, serving as a chronicle of her exploratory style and a conscious search for beauty. Ji Oh's mastery of color and texture are infused with a variety of paint mediums to produce fields of unexpected rhythmic delight. Her surface concerns include the organic versus mechanical, form versus space, and the mysterious relationship between the object and the image. Ji explained, "My work combines delicately placed bits of fabric, paint chips, and manipulated photo imagery to create transformed pieces of deep complexity." Amongst the wide selection of materials and techniques presented, a methodical focus on the aesthetic is the defining signature of her work. Oh's creative process involves using recognizable and philosophical elements to spark accidental outcomes both in appearance and in meaning.

Opening reception: May 7th from 5-8 pm and will continue thru June 18, 2011.







Ji Oh, Girl's Best Friend - Blue Diamond, 2007, Mixed Media, 15 inches x 15 inches

Oh received her MFA from Claremont University in 1989. Since then, her work has been exhibited at museums and galleries in Southern California and through out Australia, Japan, Mexico, Singapore, and Korea. In addition, Ji Oh has received numerous awards and commissions for her contributions to the arts. 2011 marks her twenty first year of teaching at her private studio in Walnut, California.

PYO Gallery, LA, is located at 1100 S. HOPE STREET in Los Angeles and is open Tuesday – Saturday from 10 am. – 6 pm and by special appointment. In 2008, the gallery opened in the South Park sector of Downtown Los Angeles to establish a cultural link between Asia and the US. For 30 years, PYO GALLERY in Seoul has earned a reputation as a pioneer in contemporary art and has built a loyal collector base for its roster of artists. The gallery exhibits the work of local and international contemporary artists. Contact the gallery via email at info@pyogalleryla.com or visit the web site www. pyogalleryla.com