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YUNSUN LEE

WEEDS

A weed is a plant that has mastered every survival skill except for learning how to grow in rows. Doug Larson



Weeds, Red/Choya-Santa Fe, New Mexico, mixed media on canvas, 72 x 28 inches, 2011

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PYO Gallery LA, Los Angeles, CA March 30, 2012

What.....Solo Exhibition: Yunsun Lee: WEEDS

Where.....PYO Gallery LA, 1100 S. Hope Street, Los Angeles, CA

Exhibition Dates.....April 7 - May 19, 2012

Artist Reception.....Saturday, May 5, 6-9 pm

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Los Angeles, CA -April 2012: PYO Gallery LA is pleased to present a solo exhibition of new works by Los Angeles based artist Yunsun Lee. Lee's paintings examine the struggle for survival within the framework of the multicultural American experience. Working on a ground of translucent layers, weeds are poetically arranged to illustrate the interplay between native and foreign species. The exhibition dates are April 7 thru May 19, 2012. A reception for the artist will be held on Saturday, May 5, from 6 to 9 pm.

Lee's solo exhibition, **Weeds** originates from the artist's interest in exploring the landscape as a metaphor for social, political and historical relations. The Artists states: "Weeds gain very different identities depending on how we look at them. They can be hated and removed; they can be appreciated or neglected and left alone. The character of weeds resembles every aspect of conflict and survival in human society."

Beyond the conceptual symbolism, Lee's beautifully layered surfaces are rendered in rich earth tones that radiate into a luminous field of mystery, and perpetual change. Her weeds depict a meditative quality that can only be experienced as they conjure and reveal the various cycles of life; loss, hope and resilience.

Lee studied painting and drawing at the prestigious Seoul National University's College of Fine Arts in Korea and received an MFA degree in printmaking from the San Francisco Art Institute. Since then, her work has been widely exhibited throughout the United States, Asia and Europe. This will be Lee's first exhibition with Pyo Gallery LA.

About PYO Gallery

In 2008, PYO GALLERY LA was established in the Downtown sector of Los Angeles, as a cultural link between Asia and the US. The gallery exhibits the work of local and international contemporary artists. Gallery hours are Tuesday - Saturday, 10 am to 6 pm. For more information, please visit www.pyogalleryla.com or email info@pyogalleryla.com.