
7 may - 4 july 2011
vernissage: saturday 7 may 2011 - 5 to 9 pm

artists exhibited:
Chen Weide
Christin Kalweit
Dai Guangyu
Liu Bo
Roland Darjes
Shao Shao
Xu Yihan
Zane Mellupe
Zhang Xianyong
Zhu Ye

“There are known ‘knowns’. There are things we know that we know. There are known unknowns. That is to say there are things that we now know we don’t know. But there are also unknown unknowns. There are things we do not know we don’t know.”
- Donald Rumsfeld -

The conscious and unconscious are where we create our hells (what is the worst thing that can happen to you?) and our heavens (what is the best thing that can happen to you?). We set the rules for today, yesterday and tomorrow; for the hells and heavens we wish to go to.

While descriptions of hell in art have always been rather splendid, heaven like many indescribable things, through describing, turns out to be a bit banal. It is what we make of it and not what is given. We may keep in mind reference images of Buddhist drawings and descriptions by Dante and Bosch, but what do we see ourselves?

The hell. The heaven. On the way. In between is an introductory exhibition for two exhibitions in progress - Hell and Heaven.
This exhibition aims to question the contemporary interpretations and visualizations of the world by Zhang Xianyong, the 10 commandments by Christin Kalweit, sin by Xu Yihan and Chen Weide, doubt by Zane Mellupe and purgatory by Roland Darjes, Heaven by Zhu Ye and Dai Guangyu and Hell by Shao Shao and Liu Bo.

Zane Mellupe – Curator

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The World (Zhang Xianyong)

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Sins (Chen Weide + Zane Mellupe)

Sins (Xu Yihan)

Purgatory (Zane Mellupe + Xu Yihan + Roland Darjes)
The Heaven (Zhu Ye)

Doubt (Zane Mellupe)

The Hell (Shao Shao)

The Hell (Liu Bo)
artworks selection

Xu Yihan

Giving up on Love (2011)
100 x 100 cm • oil on canvas
Christin Kalweit

The Ten Commandments (2010)
60 x 12cm • inkjet print / lightbox
Chen Weide

KTV1
54 x 46cm • oil on canvas
Dai Guanyu

Memory of Wangshuan (2010)
74 x 214cm • ink and colour on xuan paper on canvas
Liu Bo

Tearful Comedy 2 (2011)
40 x 40cm • pen on paper
Roland Darjes

Judgmental Gesture (2011)
170 x 45cm • mixed media
Shao Shao

dhrtarastra (2008)
40 x 100cm • inkjet print
Zane Mellupe

Certificate_Guilty (2011)
25 x 28.5 x 26cm • mixed media
Zhang Xianyong

Perfect Life (2009)
180 x 90cm (edition of 5) • inkjet print
Zhu Ye

Floating No.6 (2011)
180 x 140cm • oil on canvas