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Universal Vessels
YoungGi Han Akira Ikezoe
curated by Liam Davis

Opening Reception Friday, July 7, 2017 from 7 - 9 pm



The Cluster Gallery is pleased to present an exhibition of recent work by **YoungGi Han** and **Akira Ikezoe**. The exhibition places Ikezoe's stop motion video *Hole* in dialogue with a selection of Han's recent drawings and paintings. In this exhibition both artists demonstrate an affinity for exploration and use their mediums as conduits for transformation and introspection.

Ikezoe states that "Nature exists not only in our surroundings but also within our bodies." In *Hole* the human form and nature converge and separate. A man, a dog, plants and bees are clearly defined then integrated and rearranged as the body and the natural world repeatedly join together and break apart. The biological, chemical and universal collide and harmonize. *Hole* is 12 minutes long and is accompanied by the melodic sound of a bamboo flute. The repetitive ebb and flow of sounds and image conduces a state of reflection as the integration and isolation of forms prompts the viewer to re-examine the relationship between nature and humanity.

In **Han's** recent series of paintings and drawing boats lead to gateways and pathways unfold onto areas of open expanse. She describes the work as an "indulgence in the quest for novel visual insight from my unconscious daily mark making doesn't confine me." Boats and architectural landscapes are reduced to their essential elements undoing historically novel approaches to composition. In these works Han's inquisitive marks lead the viewer on a journey of exploration, providing us with numerous opportunities to reevaluate the relationship between space and form.

The exhibition will open on **July 5th, and on view through July 15, 2017**, with an opening for the public on **Friday, July 7th , from 7 to 9 pm.**

The Cluster Gallery is an artist owned and directed space located in the Gowanus section of Brooklyn.

A part of the Brooklyn Art Cluster, which includes artist studios and an artist residency program, its curatorial program is international in scope and focuses on the contemporary arts.

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