

CHRISTINE PARK GALLERY

Sangyoon Yoon : *These Foolish Things I*

28 May – 11 June 2017

Private View & Reception

Sunday 28 May 2017, 2-6 pm

208 Bowery, Lower East Manhattan, New York, 10012

Open daily, 11-6 pm

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For immediate release

These Foolish Things I is the first solo exhibition by the Seoul-based painter, Sangyoon Yoon held in New York. Opening the series of the gallery's special exhibition program, Christine Park Gallery organises this two-part exhibition presenting the new body of work by the artist. *These Foolish Things 2* will be held in September to October 2017 in the same space, accompanied with a limited edition artist's catalogue.

Sangyoon Yoon (b.1978) is a Korean artist whose practice explores the relationship between the conscious and the unconscious through the topological space of right and left.

His oil paintings, executed with his right hand, are a psychological investigation into the structure of the mind, containing elements that represent or allude to the id, the ego and the superego. The watery lower level of Yoon's paintings plays the role of the id. Below the placid, shimmering surface lie the depths of the unconscious mind, mirroring and yet separated from the conscious world above it. Next, a crowd rooted in the water but focusing on a higher authority that hovers above them are like the ego they mediate between two separated entities. Finally, the critical, moralising super ego, which takes the form of a deer, a swan, or a person clearly differentiated from the rest, reigns over the somewhat chaotic scene below.

In contrast, Yoon's drawings, sketched with his left hand, are created impulsively without correction, and can be considered short-hand records of the unconscious. These two different streams of Yoon's practice flow together, analytically and intimately deconstructing the human mind.

Yoon's recent solo exhibitions include *Bring it on home to me*, Artspace Hue, Paju (2016), *Elysion*, Yoonarte, Shanghai (2015), *Mobius*, Pyo Gallery, Seoul (2014) and *Right & Left*, Gallery Chosen, Seoul (2013). He is currently completing a residency at Hue Network Art Studio in Paju, South Korea.

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About us

Christine Park Gallery is a young gallery dedicated to supporting both emerging and established UK and international artists. Located in the heart of Fitzrovia, London's burgeoning art hotspot, the gallery has an extensive programme of solo shows, conceptually curated group exhibitions, and special installations. With a constantly developing roster of innovative artists the gallery prides itself on exhibiting works in a range of media, seeking to provoke cross-disciplinary debate and extend the boundaries of the current contemporary art scene.

Our vision is to provide a platform to allow artists to develop and gain greater recognition. Therefore, as well as providing a commercial space that artists can use as a canvas to realize their projects and present their works to the public, we actively foster relations with art foundations, public museums and private clients.

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