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坂本 真澄 | ますみ銀座 2014年5月31日(土) - 6月28日(土)

Masumi Sakamoto "Masumi Ginza" May 31(Sat) - June 28(Sat)



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GALLERY MoMo Projects is pleased to present the third solo exhibition of Masumi Sakamoto titled Masumi Ginza. The name of title, Ginza, is recognized as one of the most luxurious shopping districts in the world and became a kind of brand name for Japanese commercial areas; there are many commercial shopping streets named Ginza in the countryside of Japan. Sakamoto developed the theme of Ginza to show people who live in the unpolished area and long for a big city, but find the pleasure days in the nostalgic place by giving optimistic atmosphere.

Sakamoto used to cut the woods with the figure of boy faces and bodies, and paint on them. As a result, the artist succeeded in eliminating extra background and emphasizing the characteristics of the boys.

In the recent works, Sakamoto depicts half naked boys and girls with the slender bodies and the remarkable flushed skins; the artist attempts to show what exist under our skins with oil on canvas. They posed like fashion models or pop stars in the forests where seem to create for the stage decorations. The androgynous boys in her painting do not have strong sexual impressions because they are like the characters in fairy tales; they are far from the real men. However, there is no borderline between the real world and the ideal world in her paintings. In fact, Sakamoto brings her fantasy into the real world without any hurdles and shows her unique perspective of the world. Sakamoto covers the current tough situations and atmospheres in the society with her optimistic expressions, which are unselfconscious and audacious.

Masumi Sakamoto was born 1982 in Osaka and studied etching at Osaka University of Arts. After graduating from the university, the artist has showed mainly in Tokyo and Osaka. In this show, Sakamoto will exhibit about 20 latest works included painting and drawings.

1. Masumi Sakamoto
"Yakiniku"
2014年
Oil on canvas
162.0 x 260.0cm
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Artist Comment

I think the Ginza is nice, but I'm more excited at something Ginza is anywhere in Japan and stop by on the trip.

Diners, cafes, vegetable markets, flower shops, boutiques, and delis.

Ginza is fun place just walking.

It's the best if you hold a bottle of beer.

Please come and hang around to Masumi Ginza!

Masumi Sakamoto, 2014

[Brief history]

1982 Born in Osaka

2005 B.A Osaka University of Art

[Solo exhibitions]

2012 studio J, Osaka

2011 GALLERY MoMo Ryogoku, Tokyo

2010 studio J, Osaka

2009 GALLERY MoMo Roppongi, Tokyo

Galerie ephemere, Osaka

2007 Ban Gallery, Osaka

2006 Ban Gallery, Osaka

[Group exhibitions]

2013 "OSAKA Gallery Selection -View of Women Artists-" Hankyu Umeda Art Stage, Osaka

"Summer Group Show: Individual Creations" GALLERY MoMo Ryogoku, Tokyo

2012 "Figurative Paintings" Nanba Parks, Osaka

"interaction vol.1" GALLERY MoMo Roppongi, Tokyo

2011 "Regenerate" GALLERY MoMo Ryogoku, Tokyo

2010 "Visage vol.2" GALLERY MoMo Ryogoku, Tokyo

2009 "TOKYO WONDER SEEDS 2009" WONDER SITE Sibuya, Tokyo

"GEISAI 12" Tokyo Big Site, Tokyo

"Summer Group Show Hop Step Jump" GALLERY MoMo Roppongi, Tokyo

2008 "TOKYO WONDER SEEDS 2008" WONDER SITE Sibuya, Tokyo

"gallerism -The viewpoint of gallery- 2008" Nanba Parks, Osaka

2007 "THE NEW FACES 6" ISHIDA TAISEISHA Hall, Kyoto

"Osaka University of Art native place artist exhibition" Nanba Parks, Osaka

2005 "Osaka University of Art Graduation selection" Mydome Osaka, Osaka

"Osaka University of Art, California College of the Arts print interchange exhibition" Oliver Gallery, Georgia U.S.

"Printing II " Pepper's Loft Gallery, Tokyo

"AMUSE ART JAM 2005" The Museum of Kyoto, Kyoto

2004 "The 29th whole country university print " Machida International print Museum, Tokyo

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