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OUT SIDE IN
at Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions (LACE)

6522 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA

On view: August 29 – September 9, 2007

Opening reception: Wednesday, August 29th, 7 - 10 p.m. featuring a performance by Douglas Green

Closing party: Friday, September 7th, 7-10 p.m. with live music

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Los Angeles, 10 August 2007--**OUT SIDE IN** is an exhibition of artwork by 2007 MFA graduates from the University of California, Irvine, presented at Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions (LACE). The aesthetic and intellectual interests of this group are varied and expressed using video, photography, painting, drawing, installation, sculpture and performance. The navigation of sites and space is considered in works addressing the militarized landscape, Buckminster Fuller's Dymaxion map of the earth, sites of historical trauma, and the ever-changing neighborhood where LACE is located. Other artists explore the body and interpersonal relationships. Figures pose in lushly constructed paper rooms, a woman interacts with images of deceased artists, and animated bodies engage with each other in intimate and awkward ways. Others use criticality and humor to expose Dr. Condoleezza Rice, stereotypes of Japanese femininity, and the vagaries of political speech.

The exhibition's title alludes to the various positions and dynamics at play in political, philosophical, geographic, bodily, and emotional states of being. It refers to a fluidity of perspective and the artists' multiple attempts to upset the familiar and re-route its meaning through skillful and thoughtful manipulations of their chosen media. With equal doses of wit, analysis, poetry, and attention to craft, the work in this exhibition exemplifies the diverse influences of the institution where these artists met.

The artists featured are Dan Bayles, Douglas Green, Anna Kim, Lara Odell, Gina Osterloh, Jeff Sheng, Kristine Thompson, Lisa Tucker (collaborating with Matthew Bryant and Cheryl Gilge), Gordon Winiemko, and Chie Yamayoshi. A limited-edition publication will accompany the exhibition.

OUT SIDE IN is free and open to the public Wednesdays through Sundays 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Fridays 12 p.m. to 9 p.m. To arrange a visit outside of these hours, or for any other information, please contact thomsok@uci.edu or visit www.ucimfa.com

About LACE

Located in the heart of Hollywood, LACE (Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions) strives to engage the public imagination through exhibitions, performances, screenings, dialogues and other public forums. LACE's mission is to provide opportunities for artists and curators working across diverse and emergent creative forms to contribute to the activation of Los Angeles' urban landscape and expand interactions between art and audience. For more information about LACE and its programs please visit www.artleak.org

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