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CONTEMPORARY ART GALLERY

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# Osage Gallery represents Lee Kit at Art Basel!

Osage Gallery is thrilled to be the first gallery from Hong Kong to be participating in Art Statements at Art Basel this year. Osage Gallery will be representing Hong Kong emerging artist Lee Kit.

Lee Kit graduated with a BA in Fine Arts from The Chinese University of Hong Kong in 2003. He is best known for his works with hand-painted cloth. Lee claims: 'Painting is the means to convey the faint consciousness resulted from our emotions.' His interest is to renew our self-identity by staging communal activities with his artworks in order to seek the uncanny meaning of art.

For Art Statements, Lee Kit creates a typical Hong Kong demonstration flat with a living room, a toilet, a bedroom, and a small kitchen. Various hand-painted cloths and cardboard paintings infiltrate this domestic prop for an imaginary character. Lee devises a situation that delves into our consciousness through seeing, feeling, acting,





and simply being. Like a sudden epiphany, we are left to deal with our own emotions and memories privately.

Osage Gallery is an interdisciplinary platform devoted to the exhibition and promotion of international and Asian contemporary visual arts. Osage's spaces function synergistically to explore the diverse and complex artistic relationships between the different regions of Asia and, beyond that, the artistic relationships between Asia and other parts of the world. Osage provides a valuable platform for working with artists based in East Asian and Southeast Asian countries such as Hong Kong, China, Taiwan, Singapore, the Philippines, Indonesia, and Thailand; as well as international artists of Asian descent based outside the region. Osage views its mission as cooperating closely with international artists, curators, and critics to present exhibitions and projects that can meaningfully address issues relevant to the current moment.

In addition to organizing major group and thematic exhibitions, Osage has put on solo exhibitions by some of the most significant artists in Asia, such as Sun Yuan and Peng Yu, Shen Shaomin, and Jiang Zhi from China, as well as other Asian artists such as Jane Lee (Singapore), Lee Kit (Hong Kong), Nipan Oranniwesna (Thailand), Wilson Shieh (Hong Kong), and Charwei Tsai (Taiwan).

# Further artists represented:

Poklong Anading Yason Banal Louie Cordero Ho Tzu Nyen Jiang Zhi Jane Lee Kingsley Ng Donna Ong Nipan Oranniwesna Shen Shaomin Wilson Shieh Sun Yuan / Peng Yu Maria Taniguchi Charwei Tsai Adrian Wong

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# **ABOUT OSAGE GALLERY AT ART BASEL**

Gallery name:	Osage Gallery
Art Basel Section:	Art Statements
Artist represented:	Lee Kit
Curator:	David Chan
Director:	Agnes Lin

# **ENQUIRIES**

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# **APPENDIX A: ABOUT THE ARTIST**

#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

1978 Born in Hong Kong

2006 Studying at The Chinese University of Hong Kong,

Master of Fine Art in the Fine Art Department

2003 Graduated from The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Fine Art Department

Currently lives and works in Hong Kong

#### **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

	2011	How to set up a room for Johnny	P, Art Statements section, Art Basel 42, Osage
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Gallery, Basel, Switzerland

1, 2, 3, 4..., Lombard Freid Projects, New York, USA

'Watching Soaps (I can't recall the day that I last heard from you)',

Osage Kwun Tong, Hong Kong

2010 'Well, that's just a chill', ShugoArts, Tokyo, Japan

Hands, MiArt 2009, Milan, Italy

2009 Someone Singing and Calling Your Name, Osage Soho, Hong Kong

A Suit-case, Galleria Dell' Arco, Palermo, Italy

'I'm missing someone but I don't know who's that someone.', Seoul, Korea

2008 Remains from several days, Mori Gallery, Sydney, Australia

My Pillow seems like a bed, a pillow seems like my bed, Cheng Ming Building, The

Chinese University of Hong Kong

(Ready-made) Everyday, Enjoy Public Art Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand

3 / 4 suggestions for a better living, Para/site Art Space, Hong Kong

2001 Painting Furniture, works by Lee Kit, Yiliu Painting Factory, Fotan, Hong Kong

#### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2011 Art HK 11, Lombard Fried Projects, Hong Kong

MiArt, Galleria Dell' Arco, Milan, Italy

Art Stage Singapore, Marina Bay Sands, Singapore

2010 Lui Chun Kwong. You Are Here, I Am Not. From Ho Siu Kee to Kong Chun Hei, Osage

Kwun Tong, Hong Kong

Popping Up: Revisiting the relationship between 2D and 3D, Hong Kong Arts Centre

Exhibition Experiment 3: Degenerate Art Exhibition, Wrong Place, JCCAC, Hong Kong

Exhibition Experiment 2: Out of the Box, Wrong Place, JCCAC, Hong Kong

Shcontemporary 10, Shanghai Exhibition Centre, Shanghai, China

Art Taipei 2010, Osage Gallery, Hong Kong

Popping Up: Revisit the Relationship Between 2D and 3D, Hong Kong Arts Centre, Hong Kong

The Burden of Representation, Osage Kwun Tong, Hong Kong

ART HK 10, Osage Gallery, Hong Kong

No Soul for Sale, Tate Modern, London, UK

Inventory: New Art From Southeast Asia, Osage Singapore

Jane Lee | Lee Kit | Donna Ong, Osage Kwun Tong, Hong Kong

2009 1 Degree of Separation, Chinese Art Centre, Manchester, UK

Hatered Kappagizm, Y3K, Melbourne, Australia

Art Verona, Italy

Platform, Kimusa site, Artsonje Centre, Seoul, Seoul

Louis Vuitton: Passion of Creation, Hong Kong Museum of Art

Hong Kong International Art Fair 2009, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

Portrait of Self Exile, The Shop, Beijing, China

China International Gallery Exposition, China World Trade Centre Hall, Beijing, China

Emporium, Fabicca Borroni, Milano, Italy

Friends of the Divided Mind, Royal College of Art, London, UK

Some Rooms, Osage Shanghai, China

Hong Kong Art Walk 2009 Hong Kong

Charming Experience, Hong Kong Museum of Art

Re-animation, JCCAC, Hong Kong

Love Simply, Hang Fat Studio, Fotan, Hong Kong

2008 Lala Land, Blue Lotus Gallery, Hong Kong

The Shop – 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, The Shop, Beijing, China

Frieze Art Fair, London, UK

Beijing Art Salon, Beijing, China

Domestic Affair, Galleri 21, Malmo, Sweden

Sprout from White Night, Bonnier Konsthall, Stockholm, Sweden

3th Guangzhou Triennial, Guangzhou, China

Inside Looking Out, Osage Singapore

	The Un-realized, Cheng Ming Building, the Chinese University of Hong Kong
	Colour-blind, Cheng Ming Building, the Chinese University of Hong Kong
	Hong Kong International Art Fair 2008, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre
	HK Unveiled-Contemporary Art in the SAR, Atting House, Hong kong
	Exchange Exhibition, Off Ground Gallery, The University of Virginia, USA
	Sun of Beach, Wong Wai Wheel Art Space, Hong Kong
2007	The Preview of West Kowloon Exhibition Venue, C&G Artpartment, Hong Kong
	14QK, Para/site Art Space, Hong Kong
	Histori-City, Asian Art Achrive, Hong Kong
	ArtMart 2007, Three Pacific Place, Hong Kong
	The 1 <sup>st</sup> Hong Kong International Contemporary Art Fair, Hong Kong Exhibition Centre
	Inside Looking Out-Art and Life, Osage Beijing, China
	Time After Time, Hollywood Centre, Hong Kong
	Reversing Horizon, Museum of Contemporary Art, Shanghai, China
	A Separate Domain, Hui Gallery, the Chinese University of Hong Kong
	Inside Looking Out, Osage Kwun Tong
	Pearl River City, the Contemporary Art Centre, Lithuania
	Prison Art Museum, Victoria Prison, Hong Kong
	Fotanian, studio open days at Fotan Studios in the industrial district, Hong Kong
2006	ArtMart 2006, Three Pacific Place, Hong Kong
	The Pearl River Delta, Nassauischer Kunstverein, Germany
2005	Hong Kong Art Biennial 2005, Hong Kong Museum of Art
	Metropolis Strip(p)ed, The Substation, Singapore
2004	Art-mart 2004, Para/site Art Space, Hong Kong
	Fotanian, studio open days at Fotan Studios in the industrial district, Hong Kong
	Intimate Re-collection, Hanart T-Z Gallery, Hong Kong
	Painting Un-painting, works by Chester Chu, Alex Heung, Lee Kit, Woody Lee,1a Space, Cattle Depot, Hong Kong
2003	Art-mart 2003, Para/site Art Space, Hong Kong
	Fotanian, studio open days at Fotan Studios in the industrial district, Hong Kong
	Hong Kong Art Biennial 2003, Hong Kong Museum of Art
	Graduation: Moving Forward, Looking Back, the graduation exhibition of the Fine Art Department, CUHK, The Museum of Art, the Chinese University of Hong Kong

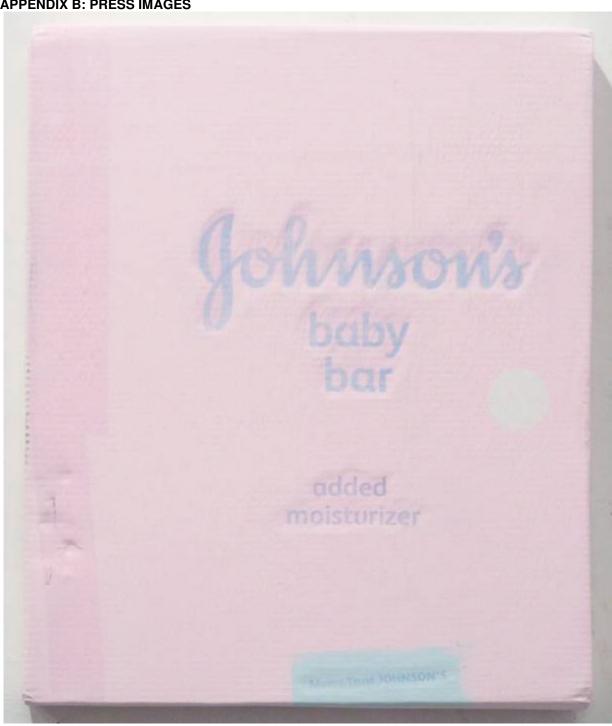
2001	Hong Kong Art Biennial 2001, Hong Kong Museum of Art
	Demonstration Flat, boxes exhibition, Cheng Ming Building, New Asia College, the Chinese University of Hong Kong
2000	Untitled, paintings by Lee Kit, Ma Chi Hang, Sir Run Run Shaw Hall, the Chinese University of Hong Kong
	'sh', paintings by Au Hoi Lam, Lee Kit, Fringe Club, Hong Kong
1999	Year Two Exhibition, The Hui Gallery, New Asia College, the Chinese University of Hong Kong
1999- 2003, 2007	Annual Exhibition of the Fine Art Department, the Chinese University of Hong Kong
AWARDS	
2003	Cheung's Fine Arts Award (painting), The Art of CUHK

# **COLLECTION**

Stedelijk Museum voor Actuele Kunst

The Hong Kong Museum of Art Private collection

# **APPENDIX B: PRESS IMAGES**



Lee Kit, 2011

Johnson's – Baby bar (I)

Acrylic, emulsion paint, inkjet ink on cardboard
52 x 62 x 6 cm



Lee Kit, 2010 Smith & Nephew - Unstretched Acrylic, emulsion paint, inkjet ink and tape on cardboard 100cm X 76cm





Lee Kit, 2005
Ideal Standard: (A perfect setting: nothing to do at home with the hand-painted cloth as table cloth and window curtain, 5-4-2005.)
Acrylic on fabric, photograph
Dimensions variable



Lee Kit, 2003

One Night: Dinner with friends and hand-painted cloth.
2 tablecloth, 2 photo document



Lee Kit, 2005

Public holiday: Picnic with friends and hand-painted cloth at Lamma Island, HK

2 picnic cloth, 1 photo document

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Osage Gallery is part of the Osage Group <a href="https://www.osageartideas.com">www.osageartideas.com</a> encompassing the much-celebrated Osage Art Foundation, Osage Art Consultancy and Osage Design.

#### **Current Exhibitions**

#### Osage Gallery, Kwun Tong

Staged Fictions: Patty Chang, Ho Tzu Nyen and Adrian Wong

Curated by Pauline J. Yao

Artists: Patty Chang, Ho Tzu Nyen, Adrian Wong 24.05.2011 – 2.06.2011 / 14.06.2011 – 18.07.2011

Opening Reception: 27.05.2011, 6pm

Points of Ellipsis...

Curated by Arianna Gellini and Sonja Ng

Artists: Juan Alcazaren, Ranelle Dial, Roberto Chabet, Nilo Ilarde, Lani Maestro, Tozer Pak, Gary-Ross

Pastrana, Cris Villanueva and William Lim

24.05.2011 - 2.06.2011 / 14.06.2011 - 5.07.2011

Opening Reception: 27.05.2011, 6pm

# Osage Gallery, Soho

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Curated by David Chan Artists: Poklong Anading 20.05.2011 – 9.07.2011

Opening Reception: 19.05.2011, 6pm

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