

CHAT Spring 2020 Unconstrained Textiles: Stitching Methods, Crossing Ideas

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CHAT, The Mills, 45 Pak Tin Par Street, Tsuen Wan, Hong Kong 香港荃灣白田壩街45號南豐紗廠CHAT六廠 7法的濔合與觀念的縱堪息象連綿: CHAT 六廠 2020 春季



CHAT (Centre for Heritage, Arts and Textile)

CHAT (Centre for Heritage, Arts and Textile) is a part of the heritage conservation project of The Mills, the former cotton-spinning mills of Nan Fung Textiles in Tsuen Wan. Through its multifaceted curated programmes, which include exhibitions and co-learning programmes, CHAT aims to be an art centre that weaves creative experiences for all. We invite our visitors to experience the spirit of the innovative legacy of Hong Kong's textile industry and engage in new dialogues and inspirational journeys that interweave contemporary art, design, heritage and community.



CHAT六廠(六廠紡織文化藝術館)是南豐紗廠 保育項目的一部分,即南豐紡織昔日在荃灣的廠 房原址。CHAT六廠所策展的多元化項目包括展 覽與共學計劃兩大類型。透過這些項目,我們希 望為大眾編織創意體驗。我們誠邀參觀者去感 受香港紡織業勇於創新的精神;並在紡織的領 域裡,於當代藝術、設計、歷史與社群共冶一爐 的氛圍下,展開一段段啟發思考的旅程和交流。



Ring spinnning machine in the 1990s 1990年代環錠紡紗機

Unconstrained Textiles: Seasonal Exhibition **Stitching Methods, Crossing Ideas** 意象連綿:方法的彌合與觀念的縱橫

Unconstrained Textiles: Stitching Methods, Crossing Ideas is an exhibition which proposes an alternative way of learning about textile(s) and art in the form of an open-ended patchwork. It aims to present a broader possibility of textile materials, subject matters and techniques through diverse practices by 7 prominent contemporary artists. The artists in the exhibition do not identify as textile artists whose works focus on the tactile materiality of textile(s), evolving colours, forms and patterns, rather, they discover textile materials, subject matters and techniques almost through their artistic experiments, deploying them for their respective artistic concerns and goals.

As a defined category or artistic genre, textile art has been discussed in relation to craft, design and gendered, often female, works, adding to the ongoing scholarship on interdisciplinary studies and, critical discourses in fine art. In the longstanding tradition of textile art, its rigid categorical classification is inevitable and which has sometimes hindered textile element from coming into prominence in non-textile art.

The intention of Unconstrained Textiles: Stitching Methods. Crossing Ideas is not to subvert the taxonomical classification of and the accumulated discussions on textile art, but to propose room for new ways of thinking about textile(s) and to broaden the discussion of textile's contribution to art in general by examining contemporary artworks through a textile lens.

Curator: Takahashi Mizuki

拼布,把一塊又一塊的織布拼縫起來,互相補 綴。春季展覽「意象連綿:方法的彌合與觀念的 縱橫」正是一塊連綿不斷的大拼布,為觀者提供 閱讀紡織與藝術的另一視野。是次展覽邀請了 7位傑出的當代藝術家,透過各自迥然不同的藝 術實踐,將紡織通過材料、主題及技術的不同維 度進行詮釋,呈現更多的可能性。參展藝術家們 並非被界定為紡織藝術家——他們的作品非著 重織物的觸覺質感,或其不斷演變的顏色、形 狀和圖案;他們更多的是將紡織在材料、主題和 技術上的特點,實驗性地運用在各自的創作上, 以實踐其藝術追求。

季度展譼

紡織藝術是一種特定的藝術形式,常與工藝、設 計、性別 (多指女性) 、工種相互指涉 [,] 並在跨學 科研究和批判性的藝術論述中佔據一席之地。 紡織藝術源遠流長[,]但也因此難以避免地陷入 分類方式過於僵化的尷尬局面,甚或影響紡織 元素在其他藝術形式中的發展。

「意象連綿:方法的彌合與觀念的縱橫」並不 意在顛覆紡織藝術既有的分類和一直以來的 討論,而是嘗試以嶄新的角度思考紡織這一概 念,並透過紡織來審視當代藝術創作,從而開 拓紡織之於藝術的討論。

策展人:高橋瑞木



Byron Kim, Blue Lift Sandalwood Fall, 2016 Photo courtesy: Artist, James Cohan, New York and Kukje Gallery, Seoul 金允寧,《藍色漸現,檀香葉落》,2016 圖片提供:藝術家、James Cohan (紐約)及 Kukje Gallery (首爾)

Participating Artists 參展藝術家

BI Rongrong, Shanghai 畢蓉蓉(上海)

HAM Kyungah, Seoul 咸京我 (首爾)

KATO Izumi, Tokyo / Hong Kong 加藤 泉 (東京 / 香港) Byron KIM, New York 金允寧(紐約)

From the use of textile techniques, such as dyeing and stitching, and materials to achieve artists' envisioned colours, forms, aethestics and textual surfaces, to utilising textile(s) as a participatory platform or reimagined mode of communication, to embodying the mechanical processes of textile production, the exhibited works in Unconstrained Textiles show myriad artistic adaptations of textile(s) to accomplish aesthetic, experimental and political objectives. Extracting diverse textile elements from the exhibited artworks, the whole exhibition forms a kind of patchwork, stitching together pieces of fabric with different colours and textures.

「意象連綿」展出的作品突顯了藝術家如何靈 活地運用紡織元素,以實現其在美學、實驗性 以及政治論述上的追求:有些以染色和縫紉等 紡織技巧及不同紡織物料,創造藝術家理想中 的色彩、形狀、美學觀感和質感,有些以紡織 品作為參與式平台或對溝通的重新想像,有些 回應及體現紡織品生產的機械過程。從各個展 品中抽取出的紡織元素交織起來的意象,就如 把不同顏色不同質感的織物縫紉在一起,成為 一幅大拼布。 David MEDALLA, Berlin 大衛 · 梅達拉(柏林)

Kawita VATANAJYANKUR, Bangkok 卡葳塔·瓦塔娜嫣恩(曼谷)

Samson YOUNG, Hong Kong 楊嘉輝(香港)



Ham Kyungah, Are you lonely, too?, 2013-2014 Courtesy of the artist 咸京我[,]《你也寂寞嗎?》· 2013-2014 藝術家提供



David Medalla, A Stitch in Time, 2017 Installation view: Venice Art Biennale, 2017 Courtesy of the artist 大衛・梅達拉・《及時一鍵》・2017 裝置圖片:威尼斯藝術雙年展 · 2017 藝術家提供

Special Performances 特別表演

Performance and Workshop by Kato Izumi 加藤泉的表演及工作坊

Calling all rock 'n' roll and textile enthusiasts! Japanese rock band THE TETORAPOTZ will be performing at CHAT at The Mills in Twist and Shout! – THE TETORAPOTZ in Hong Kong, and surprise you with their unique costumes and music! We also invite you to take part in Let's Rock 'n' Roll Cosplay! – Costume is Your Canvas! Workshop! Led by Kato Izumi, also a member of the band, participants will customise a dazzling costume of their own with paint, spangles and buttons. They will then have the opportunity of a lifetime to be featured with THE TETORAPOTZ in the performance. Stay tuned for more details and don't miss out!

搖滾樂及紡織愛好者請注意!CHAT六廠春季 項目將邀請日本搖滾樂隊THE TETORAPOTZ 為觀眾帶來驚喜的服裝和音樂表演——「THE TETORAPOTZ舞動搖擺在香港」!加藤泉亦是 搖滾樂隊的成員,他將帶領「奇裝異服,一起搖 滾!」工作坊,邀請參加者用顏料、珠片和鈕扣等 點綴獨一無二的服裝,並穿起自製服飾一同參與 樂隊的演出。詳情稍後公布,精彩節目,不容錯過!



Kato Izumi, Untitled, 2019 Installation view: Saimon, Kiyomizu-dera Temple, Kyoto, 2019 Courtesy of the artist Photo: Takashima Kiyotoshi 加藤泉・《無題》・2019 · 婆冒圖片: 清水寺西門, 京都・2019 藝術家提供 撮影: 高島清俊

Knit: Performance by Kawita Vatanajyankur 卡葳塔 · 瓦塔娜嫣恩的表演藝術《針織》

Deploying her body as machines used in fashion and textile industries, Kawita Vatanajyankur's *Performing Textiles* (2018-2020) is a series of live performances responding to the repetitive tasks of factory labourers. At CHAT, Vatanajyankur will become a part of a large-scale knitting machine in her performance titled *Knit*. The artist's strenuous movement not only reconstructs the 'production process' but also invokes the reimagination of the correlation between human and machine.

卡葳塔·瓦塔娜嫣恩的《演示紡織》(2018-2020)是一系列的表演藝術;藝術家透過身體 模仿時裝與紡織工廠的機器,藉以關注工人 的重複性工作。在CHAT六廠《針織》的演出, 瓦塔娜嫣恩將成為大型針織機器的一部分, 在過程中,其花氣力的動作不單構成「生產」, 還引發了人類和機器之間互動關係的想像。



Kawita Vatanajyankur, *Knit*, 2019 (video still) Photo courtesy: Artist, Nova Ontemporary, Bangkok and Antidote, Australia 卡蔵塔·瓦塔娜德恩·《對識》:2019 (錄像截圓) 圖片提供:藝術家、Nova Contemporary (曼谷) 及Antidote (澳洲)

Event Highlights 精選節目

#**1** `

Let's Rock 'n' Roll Cosplay! - Costume is your Canvas! Workshop 「奇裝異服[,]一起搖滾 !」工作坊

Venue 地點 The Hall, The Mills 南豐紗廠紗廠坊 Age 年齡 Age 7 or above 7歲或以上

RSVP 須預先登記

Artists 藝術家 KATO Izumi 加藤 泉



Bi Rongrong, Pattern XII-The Window-Woven Textile 1, 2018 Photo courtesy: Artist and A Thousand Plateaus Art Space, Chengdu 畢蓉蓉 (敛棣XII-窗一織物1) · 2018 圖片提供: 藝術家及干高原藝術空間(成都)

#2⁻

Twist and Shout! – THE TETORAPOTZ in Hong Kong THE TETORAPOTZ舞動搖擺在香港

Venue 地點 The Hall, The Mills 南豐紗廠紗廠坊 Artists 藝術家 KATO Izumi 加藤 泉 THE TETORAPOTZ

RSVP 須預先登記

#3

Knit: Performance by Kawita Vatanajyankur 卡葳塔·瓦塔娜嫣恩的表演藝術《針織》

Venue 地點 The Hall, The Mills 南豐紗廠紗廠坊 Artist 藝術家 Kawita VATANAJYANKUR 卡葳塔·瓦塔娜嫣恩

#**4** ⁻

CHAT with Artist: Samson Young 與藝術家聊天: 楊嘉輝

Venue 地點 CHAT Lounge CHAT 客廳

Capacity 名額 40

RSVP 須預先登記

Artist 藝術家 Samson YOUNG 楊嘉輝

Guest 嘉賓 Cantonese opera performer Eliza LI 粵劇表演者 李沛妍

Language 語言 Cantonese and English 粵語及英語



Samson Young, The Eight Immortals, Performa 19 Biennial, New York, 2019 Courtesy of the artist Photo: Caroline Budge 楊家輝·《The Eight Immortals》: Performa 19雙年展(細約) · 2019 藝術家提供 攝影: Caroline Budge

Welcome to the Spinning Factory! 紗廠絮語

The D. H. Chen Foundation Gallery 陳廷驊基金會展廳

The Mills building was formerly a cottonspinning factory owned by Nan Fung Textiles. The green walls and high windows in The D. H. Chen Foundation Gallery are vestiges of the golden era of Hong Kong's textile industry. The exhibition Welcome to the Spinning Factory! will present a brief but intensive history of Hong Kong's textile industry, featuring rich imageries, vintage cotton products and archival documents and objects. You are also invited to experience the manual cotton-spinning process using traditional spinning instruments, and design and create your own cotton label at the workshop stations in The D. H. Chen Foundation Gallery.

Exhibition design 展覽空間設計: Assemble **Exhibition graphic design** 平面設計: HATO

Conceived by CHAT Collection and Exhibition team CHAT六廠館藏及展覽團隊策劃

南豐紗廠現時的建築曾是南豐紡織的棉紡廠房; 在陳廷驊基金會展廳內,髹上綠漆的牆和高窗是 本地紡織業輝煌歲月的痕跡。「紗廠絮語」將展示 香港紡織業簡要的起始和發展,輔以豐富照片、棉 紡舊物、文獻及藏品等。陳廷驊基金會展廳設有不 同部份,讓您親身操作舊式紡織工具,體驗棉紡過 程,甚至為您的棉紗成品設計標籤。



Exhibition view of Welcome to the Spinning Factory! 展覽圖片:「紗廠絮語」

Re-spinning the Yarn 回紡 by MediaMonks

Re-spinning the Yarn introduces visitors to the umbilical connection between CHAT and its industrial past, and transports them to the heyday of Hong Kong's cotton-spinning industry. Visitors will be seated at reimagined cotton-spinning machines, and enter a virtual world created by digital production company MediaMonks and CHAT.

《回紡》帶領觀衆回到香港棉紡業的輝煌歲月, 呈現CHAT六廠與往昔紡紗工業的緊密聯繫。 參觀者將會透過重新構建的紡紗機,進入數碼製 作單位MediaMonks與CHAT六廠共同創造的虛擬 世界中。



Tickets 門票 \$15 per person/位 Suitable for participants aged 12 or above 適合12歳或以上人士參加

Re-spinning the Yarn 《回紡》



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