



The Propeller Group, *Collision: Sunflower*, 2012, vinyl sticker decal on aluminum panel, polyurethane varnish, 100 cm x 178 cm x 3 mm

PRESS RELEASE

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Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam – In celebration of its 10th anniversary, Galerie Quynh has organized an ambitious exhibition spanning both its De Tham and Dong Khoi galleries. Titled *Onward and Upward*, the show features work by 17 artists who continue to define and shape the contemporary art landscape in Vietnam. Whether realized through painterly abstraction, whimsical drawing, trompe l'oeil sculpture, digitally woven photography or kitsch motorbike decal collage, the works in this exhibition are equally as diverse thematically. Historical memory and loss, cultural difference, urban space, nature and human, identity, power and rebellion are among the varied themes in the show.

The participating artists are Thierry Bernard-Gotteland, Tiffany Chung, Nadege David, Thien Do, Ha Manh Thang, Hoang Duong Cam, Sandrine Llouquet, Nguyen Manh Hung, Nguyen Phuong Linh, Trong Gia Nguyen, Nguyen Thanh Truc, Tuan Andrew Nguyen, Phan Quang, The Propeller Group, Tran Van Thao, Truc-Anh and Lien Truong. Please contact the gallery for detailed information on the individual artists and exhibited works.

The opening reception will be held at both galleries on Friday, the 28th of March from 6 to 9pm. Both gallery spaces will be open to the public for the entire evening.

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The gallery is pleased to be launching three new publications this month featuring work by three of Vietnam's most acclaimed artists: *One Planet* by Nguyen Manh Hung; *Heaven is a Place* by Ha Manh Thang; and *an archaeology project for future remembrance* by Tiffany Chung.

The gallery is also thrilled to announce that it will launch a non-profit initiative in April on the grounds of the Ho Chi Minh City Fine Art Museum. Called **Sao La**, the project space's mission is two-fold: to make contemporary art accessible to the general Vietnamese public through educational programs and to nurture Vietnam's growing arts community. **Sao La** will serve not only as a platform for exhibitions, film/video screenings, workshops and lectures but also as an informal space for young Vietnamese artists to experiment, challenge and develop their creative practices. Under the aegis of Galerie Quynh with programming initiated by two young dynamic Saigon-based artists, Tung Mai and Nguyen Kim To Lan, **Sao La** will evolve in response to the needs of the local community. Please stay tuned for program information.

Found only in the Annamite mountain range of Vietnam and Laos, Sao La is the name of one of the world's rarest mammals. 'Sao' on its own can signify 'star' or pose the questions 'how?' 'what?' or 'why?' 'La' suggests a shriek, call or shout.

ABOUT GALERIE QUYNH

Established in December 2003, Galerie Quynh is the leading contemporary art gallery in Vietnam. Working with a select group of emerging, mid-career and established Vietnamese artists, the gallery also exhibits the work of distinguished artists from around the world allowing visitors access to a diverse range of contemporary art practice. In keeping with its mission to support education and develop an infrastructure for the arts in Vietnam, the gallery collaborates with artists, curators and art spaces locally and internationally to organize talks and lectures as well as to produce publications in English and Vietnamese. www.galeriequynh.com

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Exhibition Dates: March 28 – April 26, 2014

Opening Reception: Friday, March 28 from 6 to 9pm at both gallery locations

Downtown Gallery: Level 2, 151/3 Dong Khoi, District 1, Ho Chi Minh City
10am – 7pm, Tuesday to Saturday and by appointment
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Main Gallery: 65 De Tham Street, District 1, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
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