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FINE CHINESE AND WESTERN OIL PAINTINGS

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Faces Behind the Bamboo Curtains-Works by Yue Min Jun and Yang Shao Bin

Chinese Artist Yang Shao Bin and Yue Min Jun, the major voices in carrying avant garde art to the public of Beijing and Hong Kong, will be holding their two-man show for the first time in Hong Kong this summer. An exhibition entitled Faces Behind the Bamboo Curtains-Works by Yue Min Jun and Yang Shao Bin, comprising an exciting collection of edge-cutting paintings. The exhibition will be held at Schoeni Art Gallery on Wednesday, 6 July and the show will continue through Saturday, 6 Aug 1994.

Yue Min Jun and Yang Shao Bin are considered to be the "third generation" artists after the Cultural Revolution. With the introduction of western ideas and a more relaxed regime during the 80's, resulted a new cultural atmosphere in the realm of Visual Arts. While the desire of preserving Chinese traditionalism and ideology can been seen from the work of first and second generation, the third generation takes us back to a view much closer to the ordinary events of our lives. Therefore, in the work of Yue and Yang reflect the current social development and changes in their society. They are cynical yet playful, and evoke questions of consumerism, anti-individualism and re-valuation of old beliefs.

The current exhibition will be featuring over twenty works from Yue and Yang. In the work of Yue Min Jun, the artist depicts a sea of laughing man (Beijing youths) in identical dress code standing or floating around either in the streets of Beijing or Tienanmen Square. Despite falseness to their cheers, Yue stresses the absurdity between consumerism and anti-individualism presented us these new "phenomenons" which exist in China today.

Yang Shao Bin, by contrast, chooses the "role model" of high time. While the "humanisation" on these political leaders, liberation army and police officers brings a hilarious and cutting effect to his work, the artist also challenges the value of old beliefs and standard rule of our society. As China is now experiencing speedy economic and social transformation, the changes of our old beliefs is also inevitable. The messages which carried out in Yang Shao Bin 's work indeed reflecting their social and economic changes during the 90's.

Schoeni Art Gallery is located at 5C, On Hing Building, 1 On Hing Terrace, Central, Hong Kong. Opening Hours: 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Mondays to Saturdays, closed on public holidays. For more information or photos, please contact Ms Martha Liew at the gallery. Tel: 869-8802, Fax: 530-1791.

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新順稿 (五月十四日)

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FACES BEHIND THE BAMBOO CURTAIN Works by Yue Min Jun and Yang Shao Bin

The Directors of Schoeni Art Gallery Ltd. request the pleasure of your company for the preview of

on Wednesday, July 6, 1994 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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(Exhibition continues through Saturday, August 6, 1994)

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Yue Minjun and Yang Shaobin at en Schoeni

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he avant-garde in China seems to remain a thriving subculture sanoChinese art. The artists, **conos**tly in their 20s to early exercise diverse means called techniques, but often oidslaure similar sensibilities. minjun and Yang suchdobin, both from Beijing, nurecently came to Hong Kong Igovithe show, Faces Behind sitto Bamboo Curtain.

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Rostrum of Tiananmen, four ismureiverent youths stand on spot where Mao Zedong is bracle some of his famous vspdeches to the captive naction. They are posing for a ushapshot, laughing into the All that is left of the oncei warred Chairman Mao is the dwd rifer half of his body, partly

Yue Minjun, Gweong-Gweong,

obscured behind two of the modern youths. His head, his arms, his upper torso are all missing. Mao is, quite literally, disappearing. In the past, these four youths might have been labeled "hooligans" and shipped off to labor camp. Today, they grin and pose.

Yang Shaobin also depicts people laughing. His strokes are cruder, colors more garish, but he captures people more humanly. A public security policeman playfully embraces a young woman in a red jacket in Untitled No. 3: a young couple sits snugly side by side on what might be a boat -- other couples are floating on small leisure boats in the background -- in Happy Lovers. Though some of these might be seen as ironic, there is also a tenderness in these interactions not often expressed by Chinese avantgarde artists.

In some paintings Yang comically re-examines heroic models from the doctri-

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naire past. In Zhen Bao Dao Heroes, a stalwart People's Liberation Army soldier points the way forward, a common man stands besides him looking in the same direction with his beady eyes. In the background several of their comrades are trying desperately to stay afloat on the sea, shouldering rifles with bayonets. While the two

on land look quite robust, those in the water are exhausted, barely able to keep their heads above the waves. Clearly, there is a dissonance here, and the heroic isn't what it's cracked up to be. The work is in keeping with the deconstructionist tendencies of many of the avantgardists.

These paintings also play deliberately on kitsch. As anyone who has been to China knows, Chinese culture -- the visual arts, dance, music, even film -- is today full of kitsch. Drowning in it, in fact. Maybe kitsch is all that is left after the fall of the art of high politics and after the native folk arts have become increasingly corrupted and commercialized.

"Reality is getting further and further away from us," says Yue Minjun in the catalogue. "Newspaper, AX: 510 8199 510 8184 magazines, and television, the repetitious news which appears in every corner of

our homes, schools, seem to be the absolute reality." To counter this "absolute reality," Yang and Yue have utilized surrealistic imagery in a humorous way. As Yue observes, "Laughter is a moment when our mind refuses to reason....The 90s is the time when everyone should laugh."

Scarlet Chena

Yang Shaobin, Untitled No.3, 1993, oil on canvas, 170 x 170 cm.

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Funny farm — works by Yue Mingun, at <u>Schoeni</u>



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Yue Min Jun's Red Boat from the exhibition Faces Behind the Bamboo Curtain, can be seen at the Schoeni Art Gallery, Central, until Saturday



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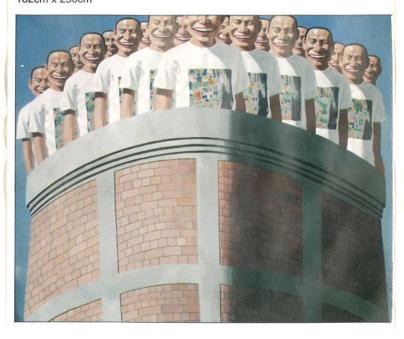
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"Faces Behind the Bamboo Curtain" — works by Yue Min Jun and Yang Shao Bin. An exhibition of avant garde art from China consisting of over twenty oil paintings of a cutting and satirical nature. Venue: Schoeni Art Gallery. 5C On Hing Building, 1 On Hing Terrace, Central. Gallery opening hours: Monday to Saturday 10:30 am to 6:30 pm.

"Looking Straight" by Yue Min Jun. Oil on canvas. 182cm x 250cm





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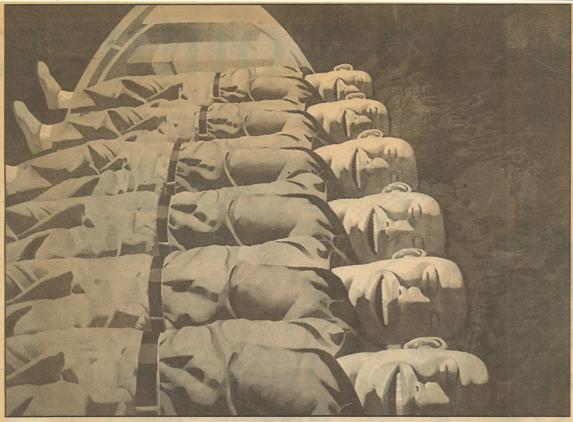
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CHINA POP: The new consumer culture is reflected in mainland artist Yue Min Jun's Red Boat.

Fake smiles behind the bamboo curtain

By Josie Brennan

CHINA's turbulent past 30 years have not only created controversy for the publishers of history books, but a new tradition of irreverent art, known as the Cynical Realists.

"Faces Behind the Bamboo Curtain", an exhibition of recent works by mainland artists Yang Shao Bin and Yue Min Jun at the Schoeni gallery this week, illustrates that this cynicism is accomplished not without humour.

Although not going as far as the pop-art phenomenon often does, the 30 works on display blatantly use consumer icons. and share their sharp vivacious colours and stark images with the popular genre.

But the Cynical Realists 19TH FLO take a step beyond Pop.

The onslaught of commercialism in China has already made its mark on these young artists' works — giving us the nameless, faceless consumers that we see replicated on their canvases.

Although a few works by Yue and Yang have been seen here before namely at Schoeni's 8 + 8 exhibition and the New Trends art fair in March this year — this is the first time the two Beijing artists have had their own show in Hong Kong.

Born in the turbulent 1960s and graduating from colleges in the 1980s, the Cynical Realists are generally known as the "third generation" of art-

Both artists were trained in the realist tradition, but their interpretation and absorption

absurdist distinguishes them from their realist contemporaries.

Yue's work can be recognised by the anonymity of his subjects — bringing to mind B-grade cloning horror movies oceans of laughing men in identical dress code and wearing nightmarish grins glare out at us.

The falseness in their cheers, Yue says, reflects a consumerism that has poisoned not only socialist ideals, but individualism it-

In both artists' works, the human smile becomes an image of superficiality.

But the messages in Yang Shao Bin's work are more socio-political.

His subjects are nearly always police or political leaders, which he humanises by combining them with ordi-

But once again the smile is there — he deliberately creates a new breed of characters
— idiots that confront the viewer with a senseless, infectious laughter that is bound to bring a smile to your face as

Faces from Behind the Bamboo Curtain is on show at the Schoeni Gallery, 5C On Hing Building, On Hing Terrace, Central.



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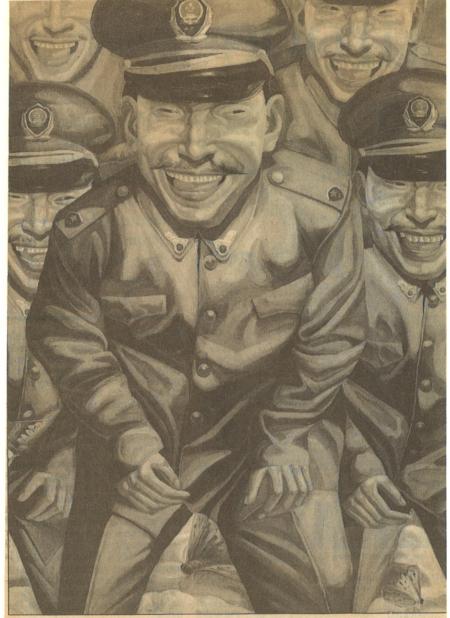
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Laughing policemen . . . Yang Shao Bin's Untitled No. II at the Schoeni

Savouring face

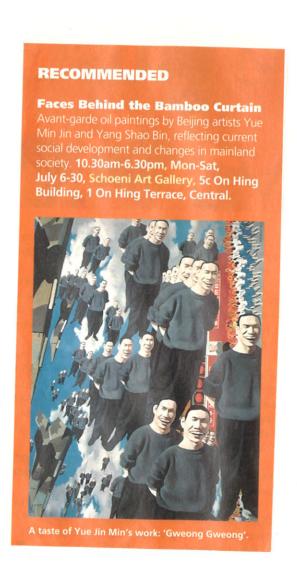
WO forces in avant-garde Chinese art, Yue Min Jun and Yang Shao Bin, have combined in an exhibition of more than 20 of their works, Faces behind the Bamboo Curtain, which opens tomorrow at the Schoeni Gallery, 5C On Hing Building, 1 On Hing Terrace, Central.

Considered "third generation" artists

Considered "third generation" artists after the Cultural Revolution, the pair concentrate on the social development and change in society in a cynical but playful manner, exemplified by the expressions on the faces of the para-military policemen in Yang's Untitled No. II. The exhibition continues until August 6.



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Music by Numbers

July's concert schedule will bring multiple pleasures to music buffs. Slave to the rhythm? Catch the Percussions concert in the Chinese Instrumental Series. Three soloists plus the eight-person Shaanxi Percussion Group perform a dozen drum songs from across China. Cherish the cello? Then do not miss the 12 Cellists of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra,

which offers a veritable cast of thousands, rather than the usual solo cellist strumming away on the catgut and rosewood. As there is very little in the Western classical repertoire written for a dozen cellists, the group rearranges works of the great composers, commissions pieces from leading modern composers, and plays popular music. Thus, the Hong Kong programme features fugues by Bach and Handel, a piece by Greek composer Iannis Xenakis and six Beatles' tunes. The concept is so wacky that it is extraordinarily compelling — when the group began more than 21 years ago it had only one piece of music, a composition by late 19th-century virtuoso Julius Klengel which was meant to be played with his 11 students. But their repertoire has grown extensively, along with their renown.

The programme for the Chinese percussion concert also embraces a wide range of music. However, rather than highlighting the versatility of the instruments — as with the cellists' programme — its purpose is to introduce people unfamiliar with Chinese drum music to the entire range of the music form, both geographically and topically. Thus, works range from typical martial anthems such as *The General's Victory*, performed on gong and drum, to more evocative pieces such as *The Quarrelling Ducks* from Xian and minority songs such as the *The Pheasant's Flight*. Soloist An Zhishun is a classical-recording star in China, and has written several of the works. Joining him at the centre of the stage will be Yim Hok-man, the principal percussionist of the Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra, and Pei Deyi, the concertmaster of the Nanjing Folk Music Orchestra.

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The 12 Cellists of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, Cultural Centre Concert Hall, July 3; Chinese Instrumental Series — Percussion, Cultural Centre Concert Hall, July 14



Twelve of a kind — the sound of a dozen cellos will fill the Cultural Centre when musicians from the Berlin Philharmonic come to town

Capital Efren

To many outsiders, Mexico means good food and good cinema — *Like Water for Chocolate*, after all, was an enormous hit. Fortunately the Arts Centre and the Mexican Consulate are giving us the opportunity to glimpse some of the country's other, non-culinary and non-cinematic,

artistic achievements. Efren Maldonado, one of Mexico's most popular and incisive political cartoonists, shows a different side to his talent in an exhibition of paintings and cartoons at the Pao Galleries. Mexico has always had a tradition of politically-charged art, perhaps epitomised by muralist Diego Rivera and his painter wife Frida Kahlo. Maldonado began his artistic career firmly in that tradition,

producing scathing black-and-white cartoons for Mexican newspapers. His sketchy, spare, one-frame commentaries distort their subjects into profound statements: in a cartoon protesting the insanity of his country's oil policy, a stereotypical sombrero-wearing Mexican grimaces beneath a large moustache as he puts a gun shaped like a petrol barrel to his head. There is no caption, and none is needed. Maldonado's large subtle canvasses glow with complex colour, and have the same floating feeling, and the same air of ineffable sadness, as his cartoons. Studies of clouds create feelings of weightlessness, while a softly-hued picture of a white rabbit emits an air of tension, almost panic. Maldonado is a master of emotion, and his paintings and illustrations are simultaneously diverse and remarkably similar.

From Cartoons to Paintings — the Art of Efren, Arts Centre Pao Galleries, July 7–17



A genius with brush — Mexican painter and cartoonist Efren Maldonado exhibits at the Pao Galleries

ONES to WATCH

Art and about: Mao Lizi, one of the original members of Stars, the Beijing avant-garde art group which first earned recognition for underground contemporary Chinese art in the '80s, exhibits at Hanart until July 13. More off-the-wall Chinese art can be seen on the walls at Schoeni, which displays the works in oil of master satirists Yue Minjun and Yang Shaobin from July 6–30.

Music box: The APA Summer Music Festival presents a cornucopia of classical greats, from Handel's Messiah to APA student compositions, performed by guest artists and students.

The silver screen: Escape the heat of summer by entering the cool, air-conditioned darkness of the Arts Centre's film theatres. This month's film series are 'Finland, Filmland', comprising 10 Finnish movies, and a Wim Wenders retrospective. Do not miss some of this German director's masterpieces, such as *Paris, Texas*; *Until the End of the World* and *Wings of Desire*.

What's coming to a big screen near you.

WHEN A MAN LOVES A WOMAN

Starring Andy Garcia, Meg Ryan, Lauren Tom and Ellen Burstyn. Directed by Luis Mandoki.

Touchstone Pictures.

This a story of an extraordinary romance — the kind they only do in Hollywood. Beautiful people, beautiful

deterioration of the family, and particularly the relationship between Alice and Michael, as her drinking becomes a crisis that rips their lives apart.

This a great movie for couples—what in America they would call a "dating movie"—something to take your loved one along to and thank your lucky stars that you aren't in the same situation. Of course, love conquers all in the end, but

Yup, yabba-dabba-doo, they're back in town. Across the world, The Flintstones is an integral part of pop culture and an estimated 300 million people still enjoy the original Hanna Barbera cartoons of the sixties. Full of subtle-as-a-brick "rock" puns and prehistoric gizmos, The Flintstones was enjoyed by almost as many adults as children.

1994 sees the Flintstones

and the community of Bedrock return to the screen in all their human glory. John Goodman must have been the only choice for Fred so perfectly does he fit the role and Rick Moranis is aptly cast as the wellmeaning Barney Rubble. Elizabeth Perkins plays his wife Wilma and Rosie O'Donnell is Barney's ever-patient (although somewhat fatter) wife, Betty. Elizabeth Taylor has even come out of semi-retirement (the last film she made

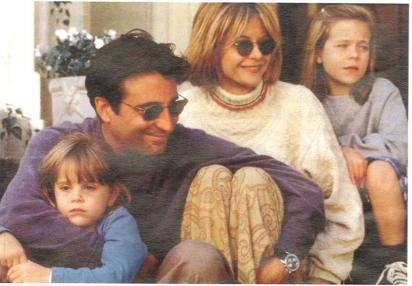
was almost 14 years ago) to play

Fred's mother-in-law, Pearl Slaghoop, while the B52s make a rare appearance as the appropriately named BC52s.

The story is a thoroughly modern one about scheming money makers and evil capitalists (with Kyle MacLachlan as the conniving corporate raider, Cliff Vandercave) and is engaging enough. But it is the gags and the gadgets that really make the film worth watching. From the Flinstone's home to Caver on the Green, a Stone ge nightclub that once and for all solves the mystery of Stonehenge, the sets are amazing; from the pigasaurus garbage disposal and the elephant shower to the parrotlike Dictabird (a prehistoric dictating machine), the props are delightful and nothing if not inventive.

Those involved in this film have done a great job in bringing *The Flintstones* to the big screen and, as box office returns from the States have already shown, it's a winner with both young and old alike.

Style Rating:



Playing happy families in When A Man Loves A Woman.

children, beautiful homes, beautiful lives. Alice (Meg Ryan) and Michael (Andy Garcia) have a marriage made in heaven. They have passion and romance, love and caring. With their two daughters, they are a picture-perfect family. Or are they?

Into this happy Hollywood equation has been thrown an unknown factor — a real life problem. Just the one, mind you, but it's a problem all the same. For underneath the gloss and happy family snaps lies a dark secret that Alice has managed to keep hidden from everyone.

When A Man Loves A Woman follows the gradual

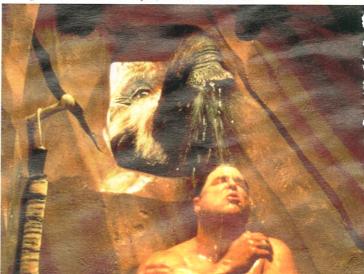
there's plenty of tears and trauma along the way. When A Man Loves A Woman has a great cast (and Ellen Burstyn deserves a special mention), a good enough story and what a title song!

Style Rating:

THE FLINTSTONES

Starring John Goodman, Elizabeth Perkins, Rick Moranis and Rosie O'Donnell. Directed by Brian Levant.

Just when you thought Steven Spielberg had got serious with Schindler's List, his next big blockbuster to hit the screens is ... The Flintstones?



Taking a shower Bedrock-style, in The Flintstones.

The exhibition will show over 30 etchings, serigraphs, pastel and oil paintings, and is to be held from 7th to 17th July at the Pao Galleries, HKAC. Telephone 582 0200.

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SHOWS

Wow! Wait 'til you hear this. Nineteen of the world's greatest World Wrestling Federation (WWF) stars will soon be bulldozing their way through Hong Kong as part of the World Wrestling Federation Hong Kong Mania Tour. These very heavyweight stars, whose tussles and tangles are aired twice weekly on Star TV's Prime Sports channel, have broken attendance records throughout Europe, and have packed out venues throughout North America. Now WWF is set to put a stranglehold on Asian entertainment, by battling it out in arenas throughout Asia.

Fans of these very much larger-than-life characters will meet WWF champion Bret 'Hit Man' Hart who, he assures us, will add new meaning to the term 'blood brother' by taking on his sibling 'The Rocket' Owen Hart, in what looks set to be the finale of a ferocious family feud. For those who want more gore and guts, don't miss the thrilling bout between the



eerie Undertaker (his morbid manager's called Paul Bearer) who will be taking on the 568 pound Japanese giant Yokozuna (who is by no means gentle) and his mercenary manager Mr Fuji. And there is plenty more to keep your toes twitching, including the mysterious martial arts master Kwang who, having learnt his deadly skills in the mountains of China, will be dealing more than his fair share of swift midkicks.

In essence, WWF are very big. Over 60 million spectators have seen WWF live, and countless publications, videos and merchandise ensure that these outrageous performers have a firm following of fans, from kids through to grandmas. WWF will literally shake the Wan Chai Stadium on July 19th and the show starts at 8 pm. In order to avoid the mayhem and mania of grappling for these prized tickets, priced at \$400 and \$200 with special limited ringside seats at \$1000, it makes sense to book now. For tickets telephone 521 2080.

If you find the classic version of **Hamlet**, ('To be or not to be / That is the question')

with its poetic prose and weighty words, far too demanding a way to spend an evening, but find the sex, scandal and intrigue a bit more appealing, then you will love this production by The Not So Loud Theatre Company. This re-write of one of Shakespeare's most well-known plays received great critical acclaim at the 1994 International Fringe Festival with a three night sell-

This is a simple Hong Kong

drama of everyday savagery, lust and bad public relations. It tells the story of Hamlet Hamlet, recently-returned Canadian collegiate who is in mourning for the mysterious demise of his expatriate father Sir Mark Hamlet, and concerned at his mother's haste into marriage with Claudius Chao, long standing friend of the family, comrade of the Chinese people (not to mention Deng Xiao Ping), and in the running to be Chief Executive come 1st July 1997.

This Hong Kong version of the play, spoken in modern day English, offers plenty of sex, violence and scandal, and is suitable for all ages. This re-run will last from 12th to 15th of July and tickets are priced at \$100 (\$75 for Fringe members). For further information call 521 7251.

The famous Vienna Folk Opera Ballet, accompanied by the Vienna Ballet Orchestra, will soon be waltzing their way into the Hong Kong Cultural Centre's Grand Theatre. The opera group, regarded as the finest in Austria, performs hand in hand with the Vienna Ballet. This is a rare

opportunity for opera novices and old-hands alike to view an inspirational performance with dance excerpts from Lehar's The Merry Widow, and Viennese waltzes and polkas danced to the music of Johann Strauss.

The group will be performing in Hong Kong from 8th to 10th of July and tickets are priced at \$320, \$240, \$160 and \$100. Telephone 734 9009 for details.







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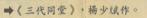
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充滿諷刺及無聊感的畫作











始便在海外和本地陸續展出他們的作品,均獲海外重視,部分私人購入,也有博物館收藏為,這種風格的成熟、獨立而完整,才是受海外人關注的主要原因」,盧杰謂,年多前開部、直立的毛像,戰機、公安的衣飾、槍枝、軍人的降落傘等,政治意味濃烈,「但我認

岳、楊二人的畫面,在充滿笑靨的同時,也載有突出的政治符號,如天安門廣場的局

個大方向,而這風格則始自一九八九年,人們的生活態度、意識逐步轉化的時候。「六十

叫人不能停住思想,要找出作者背後創作動機。

身兼Schoeni畫廊的行政助理的盧杰指出,類似的風格是中國藝術邁開步伐的其中

徵沉重的人跟時代、社會和同類的關係」,藝評人盧杰説。

,均對人面很感興趣,並以之作畫,人物笑逐顏開,「他倆都以輕鬆的筆調、色彩來象

識西方藝術家及他們的作品,狼吞虎嚥,囫圇吞棗的吸收、模仿,經過了十幾年的調整期

,現在成熟了,自成一格。」

至七十年代,中國還是『鎖國』,資訊封閉,及至七十年代末,國家開放了,藝術家始認

不離天空和海水,技巧則有宣傳畫的感覺,有點商業海報的光滑、乾淨、重美觀的味調兒

兩位出生於六十年代初的年青畫家,當過電工的岳敏君,偏向紅和藍的色彩,題材亦

,平鋪直敘,觀眾看得輕鬆自在;曾是公安的楊少斌,畫面上不離公安的形象,偏向綫和

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文化大革命後的第三代,為現時中國前衛派畫家中的典型,岳敏君和楊少斌,不約而

欣欣胡: 者記



1994《號二市城》

岳敏君

1968年隨父母遷居北京。 1962年生於黑龍江省大慶市

1983年華北石油總公司電工 1979年在天津市海洋石油總公司鑽井平台任電工

1990年遊蕩於北京,畫畫。 1987年舉辦《S造型藝術展》 1985年就讀於河北師範大學美術系油畫專業。 1991《新時期現代繪畫展》 ,北京友誼賓館。 ,河北省展覽館

新興藝術博覽會》 1994年《8+8中國、俄國前衛藝術展》,香港SCHOENI畫廊;《國際 《圓明園畫家作品展》 ,香港;《竹簾後的臉— 北京圓明園

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,會談戀愛。在沉重的公安制服和國徽的面前,配的關係,道出他們也有人性的特點和要求,會醉酒 以蜜蜂、蝴蝶、太陽花、彩虹來平衡一下。 重覆五至六次一張相同的臉龐,相同的制服, ·岳敏君、楊少斌畫展》香港

1991《劇戲的樓城X在生發》

楊少斌

1979年中學畢業 1963年生於河北省 唐山市。

「我一直在

1983年畢業於河北省輕工業學校美術系。 1993年《首屆中國職業藝術家聯展》,北京;《1993藝術收藏年鑒》。 1991年駐進圓明園畫家村,北京。 1985年《六人現代繪畫藝術展》,唐山。 988《河北省油畫展》 《新時期現代繪畫展》,北京友誼賓館;《現代藝術大展》 ,在公安局任便衣警察。

1994年《8+8中國、俄國前衛藝術展》,香港SCHOENI畫廊;《國際新興藝術博覽會》

,北京大學。

岳敏君、楊少斌畫展》,香港SCHOENI畫廊。

消解某種東西,消解的是歷史和現實的矛盾,這些矛盾似乎是可笑的把戲,但對人確實重

也蓄把長髮,不過多戴一個棕色眼鏡框的楊少斌在《藝術筆記》中説着:

,我們陷在矛盾之中,又無力解決,只得一笑了之,這可能是我工作的態度。

他倆的作品明年春、秋,將先後在加拿大和比利時展出,讓外國親睹中國新生藝術的

在晴朗天空下充滿笑容。

們的日常生活離不開這笑臉,要是人們滿腦子都是大笑,世界肯定會變的很有意思。

岳敏君在《藝術斷想》中寫道:「……我想尋找一種新的現實,我個人的絕對的現

我希望我的這個大笑形象,應該無所不在,在人類所能有的傳播媒體中,讓人

這是一個讓人咧嘴笑的時代。



1993《代三》

1993《號三題無》

香港;《竹簾後的臉—

展出,至七月三十日,二十多幅笑臉洋溢的作品控制了全場氣氛

《竹簾後的臉》為岳、楊二人聯展,現正於中環Schoeni畫廊(安慶台1號安慶大廈5C



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大學和無所謂的 一班重複的北京青年 一個別實生活中的轉變 君及楊少斌的近年。 一個別實中。因此,岳 斷。 一个一等一後的 面孔 一一的現實中。因此,岳 斷。 一个理只正直的反映他 十多幅作品均是岳敏 一个理只正直的反映他 十多幅作品均是岳敏 一个理只正直的反映他 十多幅作品均是岳敏 一个理只正直的反映他 十多幅作品均是岳敏 一个理只正直的反映他 十多幅作品均是岳敏

代以商品及文化對社想表達的正是九十年

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北京潑皮畫風

無聊對無聊、潑皮、痞氣、賴活……從北京獨立 製作的電影,到北京年青畫家的作品,好些都可以 用這樣的調子、詞語、心態來形容。這一方面反映 了北京青年的生活態度,卻也不能說不是爲了外銷 電影、畫作時的投外銷市場所好。

從岳敏君和楊少斌的作品也可以看到畫面營造的,也是這一幅無所謂、無聊、自嘲的態度。岳敏君和楊少斌均是文革後第三代畫家,在前兩代畫家

岳敏君與楊小斌作品將於七月六至三十日於Schoeni畫廊(中環安慶台安慶大厦五樓)舉行,展出兩畫者共二十多幅近作。



岳敏君〈紅船〉



岳敏君〈飛翔〉,天安門前的三青年。

吳爾芙



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岳敏君楊少烒作品展

Schoeni 畫廊將於七月六日至三十日(周日除外),舉行《竹幕後的面孔 一岳敏君與楊少斌作品展》,展品共二十多幅,充 滿諷刺及無聊感,於中環安慶台一號安慶大厦五樓 C 室 Schoeni 畫廊舉行。

岳敏君及楊少斌均是文革後第三代畫家,亦是中國前衛派重要畫家,在岳的作品中,我們看到一班重複的北京青年正無聊地傻笑,畫家想表達的正是九〇年代商品及文化在社會主義形態重創下帶給人們精神上的荒誕感;而楊少斌以卡通手法塑造的「公安」形象,不單只把標準的英雄畫成白痴,更調侃、嘲弄這種價值標準和信仰體系。※





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「燦爛的笑容」是楊少斌及岳敏君作品的特色。 新派中國畫家楊少斌岳敏君



當今的中

年代的政治宣傳畫呢?這些東西正是新派 是否令我們即刻想到中國國內五十至七十 看到解放軍;看到天安門在畫面上出現, 中國畫家楊少斌、岳敏君作畫時的主要素 在畫面上;當看到五星旗,看到毛主席, 每當看到工人、農民、士兵同時出現 度政治化的年代,國民的生活離不開政中國國內五十至七十年代,是一個高

同。 根大程度的借鑑了五十至七十年代,表現

會階層的狀況。 感和表現手法, · 岳敏君二人的 管寫實主義都大 方面、構圖方面 誇張地刻劃了中 實主義爲基礎, 畫就是以社會寫 加入現代西方 楊、岳二人

實主義,以至社 義,不論攝影寫 取材方面,都 很單純,以紅、綠、藍三種顏色爲主。盧五十至七十年代的宣傳畫一樣,顏色用得至於用色方面,楊、岳二人的畫正像 輕」的思想意識的表現。 開,像是在遊戲人間似的。然而,我們常 SCHOENI畫廊發言人盧傑稱,這是因為楊容。根據負責展出楊、岳二人作品的幾乎畫中每人都在向觀者展示燦爛的笑 農、兵爲主」。那時的畫主要的中心思想治。就是藝術創作,亦是「以服務工、 這就楊、岳二人那種「以輕爲重,以重爲 代了解放軍的位置,整整齊齊的排列着。 看到的平民,在楊、岳二人的畫中,卻取 楊、岳二人畫中的解放軍,卻是笑口常 都是整整齊齊,嚴守紀律的排列着,但在 輕」的意識。我們常看到畫中的解放軍, 岳二人想表達一種「以輕爲重,以重爲 起五十至七十年代的輕鬆和風趣很多。 會寫實主義作畫,但是他們的畫明顯地比 年代的楊少斌和岳敏君雖然都是採用社 「笑容」可謂二人畫作的主要元素。

色彩强烈的傳統。 可到SCHOENI畫廊參觀。 「社會現實主義」畫風的人士, 三十日止,有興趣欣賞這種新 SCHOEN畫廊展出,展期至七月 楊、岳二人的作品正在

政治宣傳畫,一方面是想衝破中國畫着重 傑稱,運用單調的顏色,一方面是想模仿

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是生活中的轉變,他們更以

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革後的第三代畫家。八十年 的影響,新的藝術/文化系 中國因受到西代現代思潮 岳敏君及楊少斌均是文 片斷。 自嘲、痞氣、玩笑和無所謂的

、無聊、偶然及至荒唐的生活 心態去描繪自己及其周圍熟視 位第三代畫家籌備首次聯展

敏君與楊少斌作品展」將會在 這個名為一竹幕後的面孔一岳

創所帶給人們精神上的荒誕感 想表達的,正是九十年代以 品及文化對社會主義形態的重 準的英雄畫成白癡, 對這種價 值標準和信仰體系更加以調侃 公安」形象,不僅把這種 而楊少斌以卡通手法塑造的 正無聊地傻笑。畫家正

我們看到一班北京青年



象形安公造塑法手通卡以斌少楊



。應呼相格風的皮潑聊無和,題為《題無》以君敏岳



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和信仰體系。

用以調侃、嘲弄這種價值標準 標準的英雄畫成白痴,畫家再 造的「公安」形象不單只把這種 感。而楊少斌則以卡通手法塑 態重創帶給人們精神上的荒誕 代以商品及文化對社會主意形

三十分至下午六時三十分,星 放時間爲星期一至六上午十時

岳敏君與楊少斌作品展竹幕後的面孔—— 氣、玩笑和無所謂的心態去描 中的轉變,他們更以自嘲、痞 單只正直的反映他們現實生活 此,岳敏君及楊少斌的作品不 對自身周圍平庸的現實中。因 重於把平視的角度放回到他們 均爲中國前衞派重要畫家之 們均爲文革後第三代畫家,着 ,將在港舉行首次聯展。他 年青畫家岳敏君與楊少斌

日,地點在Schoeni畫廊,開 哪裡看?何時看? 日期由七月六日至三十

偶然及荒唐的生活片斷。 繪自己及其周圍熟視、無聊、

畫家想表達的正是九十年

品均是岳敏君及楊少斌的近 班重複的北京青年正無聊地優 作。從岳的作品中我們看到一 今次所展出的二十多幅作



楊少斌《三代同堂》



岳敏君〈飛翔〉, 1994



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要是欣賞藝術的人,也會認同任何藝術的原創精神都是由意念開始。而意念大抵最易由自身周圍平庸

的現實中取材;由西方藝術到中國「前衞派」畫家 岳敏君及楊少斌,他們都統統以玩笑與 憤世疾俗的心態去描繪自己及其周圍無聊以及荒唐的 生活片段。這個嘲弄式的畫展與在北京 曾被禁播的《北京雜種》實在有點不謀而合,兩者均 是義無反顧的表達九十年代中國社會主義形態, 所帶給人們精神上的荒誕與無聊感。(鄧慧賢) 賢



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用軍人、警察等為模化圖式;楊少斌多採

種嶄新的後現代文

詞結合,從而產生出治文化意義的形象語 機的排列,再與具政 青年的典型形象作有岳敏君以一象徵當代

使「毛」商品化;

特兒,畫出他們與普

百姓在一起時之不

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進藝術家作品 觀衆介紹新興的藝術 Trends)更注重於向 茶藝術博覽會」(New 國際新興藝術博覽 覽會 (Art Asia) 。展覽由現時起至 」期間推介一批新 與香港國際藝術 香港國際新 0

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把「毛澤東」與美女 畫家禮志龍、岳敏君表意義、日趨重要的 名的前輩香港畫家尤 前衛藝術家中具有代 廊尤其重點介紹大陸紹會水墨小品外,畫 展覽廳內推出久負盛 心舉行。 楊少斌等。禮志龍 時裝模特兒並列,

> eni的畫作都帶有詩 廊東主Manfred Scho 意、象徵的意味。曹 以其獨特的個人風 參展的曹力與畫 eni,去年剛成功舉 名家之一,多年來一 直廣受海外藏家推崇 格而成爲中國油畫之

新晚報

《人情》品作斌少楊

調。 人畫展,展出作品色 彩艷麗,富有東方情 第二次個 些新生代的俄羅 Schoeni 更 選 出

家的展示自然之美的代表人物。與中國畫 都是享譽俄國並在歐 Alexander Alexander Gazhur及 Brovin .

ander Zhacharov '

畫家參展,

其中Alex

度反映俄國社會之變畫家更注重於從崇敬 幽默截然不同, 俄國 寫實主義或關心政 、社會變革的諷寓、

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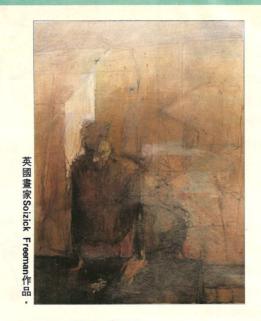
現在香港的大陸熱似乎比洋 人更盛,始終是多了分同根生的 情!在畫廊的推介中,文化根深 厚和技巧穩當的大陸畫家,自然 是港商的重點首選。

〈影與夢:毛栗子的楊益平的畫 展》

即日至七月廿三日

漢雅軒 (中環舊中國銀行大廈五

每個藝術家都是一顆星。八 七年「星星畫會」史無前例的首 個北京獨立而非官方的街頭畫展 ,成為了當代中國藝術前衛運動 的啟航先鋒。毛栗子和楊益平雖 不是佼佼健將,但卻也是當中有 氣質的一員,他們的畫作均充滿 着寫實和懷舊的調子,同時也呈 現了超乎現實的境界。



巧立名目

也不是硬要巧立名目,若展 名改得好,又能與展覽或作品本 身沾上邊兒,可以先聲奪人。

(Seven For Seven)

即日至八月六日

7畫廊(中環之連拿里1號地下)

Gallery 7 的這個展覽,已經 搞了三年,每年七月都在他們的 7 畫廊中推介七位在各地發掘的 具潛力藝術家。今年的五男一女 , 有來自英國日本印度墨西哥甚 至是巴基斯坦的, 當然少不了本 地Artists的份兒了。不同的文化 背景和創作,實較其他畫廊多樣 化,展題也是貼切精采,不過, 搞手和老闆想必不是中國人,若 是,斷言不會那麼喜歡七字的。 (中國人説到七字,都有點不吉 利似的。)



布特 · 威柏的雕塑與攝影

《雕塑與攝影之間-柏作品展》

七月廿三至卅一日 藝術中心五樓包氏畫廊

雖説布特 · 威柏(eb) 是八十年代英國藝坯 者,但若與去年所辦的 細訴》中十九位當代英 的 作品相比, 今年這位. 國藝術為題的展覽,似

布特的作品,的確: 很有力量,他往往能提 件的特質,來營造一種 造空間的張力。是雕塑 沒打緊,反正藝術家都 尋求創作中的過程及解 方法, 况且, 他的作品 成後才加上標題的。

展有一個理由





毛栗子的牆。

〈竹簾後的臉:岳敏君與楊少斌 作品展》

即日至七月卅日

Schoeni畫廊(中環安慶台一號安 廰大廈5c)

現在罵政諷事,再不用實牙 實齒的互相對峙, 咧嘴無聊的冷 嘲是八九年後北京的新寫實主流 • 同是圓明園畫家村笑傲政事的 岳敏君和楊少斌,不單以毛澤東 的政治名畫來搞笑,更公然地幽 又是開了商業與藝術的玩笑。



解放軍的默。那種刻意隱去筆觸 的平塗廣告畫畫法和俗麗艷色,

炎夏迫人, 馬兒要

歇暑,人也自該有個消

熱散悶的空閑檔期,大

小畫廊亦乘機來個歇一

歇的迎夏大傾銷。在推

舊存新之前,當然要搞

個有名有目的大專題,

實行以包裝突出藝術家

們的創作看頭,讓各自

尋各自的精采。



Out of Africa 的民族文化

潮流興搞民族主義 面自然死纒爛打,於藝 卻絕對不能只認作跟風 洲工藝根本就自有格訓 蘆慶義的岩畫 術家的愛慕。

〈嚴畫綠: 萱廳義近作展〉

即日至八月三日

藝穗會(中環下亞厘畢道2號)

董慶義在非洲生活了五年, 深受那兒的岩畫(刻在岩穴和崖 壁上的圆騰)的原始圖象所吸引 , 自創以中國墨色及金銀彩, 並 加強肌理紋形的紙拓和纔紙技法 作繪製,令畫面鮮活蓍單純古樸 的圖案形象。

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