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“Chen Yu—The Lining Up Series”
20 September 2001 – 3 October 2001

Schoeni Art Gallery is presenting a new exhibition of oil paintings by Beijing artist, Chen Yu. This is Chen Yu's first one-man exhibition in Hong Kong, though the artist has been shown at numerous exhibitions in Beijing and has had his work auctioned at Christie's, Hong Kong.

Chen Yu entered the prestigious Central Academy of Fine Arts in Beijing majoring in engraving and has received a Fine Arts Academy Excellent Student Award during his study. Graduated in 1993, Chen Yu is now best known for the *Lining Up* series, which typically illustrates a row of human figures all with eyes closed except one whose eyes remain open, staring suggestively at the viewers. The artist has said that he does not need the viewers to grasp specific meanings from his paintings, but rather prefers that the viewers and his paintings become a physical phenomenon to each other, like the heat produced by two objects rubbing. For the artist himself, the opened eyes of the one figure convey a rare moment of awakening, when the artist realizes his purpose in a life that may seem sadly repetitive.

This exhibition presents a unique opportunity to see Chen Yu's *Lining Up* series together in one location. Viewers may better appreciate the subtle ideas behind Chen Yu's work after giving a close look of the whole series.

Chen Yu will be present at the opening of his exhibition on 20th September 2001 at *Schoeni Art Gallery I* on 21-31 Old Bailey Street, Central. We invite our friends of the press to arrange an interview with the artist between the 18th and 22nd of September and to collect a copy of the new accompanying exhibition catalogue.

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Exhibition venue:
G/F, 21-31 Old Bailey Street, Central, Hong Kong
10:30am – 6:30pm
Monday – Saturday. Closed on public holidays.

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少勵畫廊

<陳余—平排系列>油畫展
展期：2001年9月20日至10月3日

少勵畫廊將於九月二十日推出北京畫家—陳余在香港的首次個展。一九九三年陳余畢業於北京中央美術學院版畫系，並獲高等美術院校學生素描優秀獎。陳余的作品於北京參展無數，其作品也曾於香港佳士得參加拍賣。

<平排系列>是陳余近期創作的油畫題材。表情一樣，穿著民初服裝的中年男士整齊地排列在一起。畫家希望觀眾透過這些作品產生觀感上的刺激，讓我們細觀周遭的人都是過著千篇一律的生活模式，追求著同樣的物質滿足，但偶然間或會有領悟醒覺的一刻，(畫家挑皮地把其中平排的人的一隻眼睛打開來表達。)但最終還是暗然地重覆又重覆地過著刻板乏味的的生活而已。

陳余將於九月十八日至二十二日訪港，歡迎各界安排採訪或於九月二十日光臨開幕酒會免費索取新畫冊。

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畫廊開放時間：週一至週六，10:30至18:30

週日及公眾假期休息

Chen Yu



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Manfred Schoeni cordially invites you to meet

Chen Yu 陳余

At the preview exhibition

One Eye Opened and One Eye Closed

On Thursday, 20th September 2001

from 6 pm to 8:30 pm

At Schoeni Art Gallery I

G/F, 21-31 Old Bailey Street, Central, Hong Kong

Exhibition continues through 3rd October 2001

Illustrated catalogue will be available

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