Press Release

COUPLET PAIR REBUS
The Principle of Cause and Effect in Art

October 26, 2023

The University Museum and Art Gallery (UMAG), The University of Hong Kong (HKU) is honoured to present COUPLET PAIR REBUS The Principle of Cause and Effect in Art. An opening ceremony of the exhibition was held at UMAG today (October 26). This exhibition explores the interplay of causality in art in multiple ways. From poem to poem, COUPLET presents itself as a place for reading, as a space of resonances. PAIR is dedicated to balance and symmetry. Here, pairs of artworks form a three-dimensional equilibrium. REBUS presents itself as a space of associations, forming a network of content-related references. The viewer’s task is to be inspired and to decipher the connections.

With poems, and works of art by:
Irene CHOU • David J. CLARKE • Christoph DAHLHAUSEN • DENG Chengxiu • DENG Shiru • DUAN Jianwei • Adrian FALKNER • FANG Zhaoling • FANG Zhiyong • Beat FELLER • Ian Hamilton FINLAY • FUNG Yee Lick Eric • HAN Wo • HUANG Shiling • JAO Tsung-i • JAT See Yeu • JIA Dao • Tobias KLEIN • LAI Jixi • LAM Man Kong • Robert LETTNER • LEUNG Kui Ting • Joseph LEUNG Mong Sum • LI Ki Kwok Victor • LI Jing • LI Zhanzhi • LIANG Qichao • LIAO Zenping • LIU Haisu • LU You • Thích NHAT HANH • Shirin NESHAT • POON Yeuk Fai • Mary Curtis RATCLIFF • Peter SCHLÖR • Debe SHAM • SHE Xueman • SHI Shuqing • Sim SHUM Kwan Yi • SONG Yonghong • Philipp STADLER • Herbert STAREK • SUN Xingge • TANG Yin • TING Yin Yung • TU Chen Tsui • WENG Tonghe • XIN Haizhou • YIK Yuet Sek • YUAN Jiagu • YUEN Hung Shue • ZHANG Huaqing • ZHANG Zhidong • Ji Zigao • ZHU Ruzhen

and 88 generally symmetrical objects from the UMAG collection, ranging from neolithic earthenware to Nestorian crosses and wood carvings to papercuts.

This exhibition is supported by the University of Hong Kong Museum Society.

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Details of the Exhibition
Period: October 27, 2023 (Friday) to February 18, 2024 (Sunday)
Opening Hours:
9:30 am–6:00 pm (Tuesday to Saturday)
1:00 pm–6:00 pm (Sunday)
Closed on Mondays, University and Public Holidays
Venue: 1/F T.T. Tsui Building, UMAG, HKU, 90 Bonham Road, Pokfulam, Hong Kong
Tel/Email: (852) 2241 5500 (General Enquiry) / museum@hku.hk
Admission: Free
Website: https://umag.hku.hk/exhibition/couplet-pair-rebus/

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UMAG was founded in 1953 as the Fung Ping Shan Museum. It was originally established as the Fung
Ping Shan Library in 1932 in honour of its benefactor. For more information on UMAG, please click here.

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