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ARE ALL THINGS EPHEMERAL?

Group show

KIWHA LEE, SUNYOUNG HWANG, AIDAN BARKER-HILL, LI NIANXIN

6th September - 4th October 2024

MONTI8 is thrilled to announce "Are All Things Ephemeral?", a group exhibition which brings together the work of four artists coming from different geographycal areas and backgrounds: Kiwha Lee (South Korea, lives and works in New York), Sunyoung Hwang (South Korea, lives and works in London), Aidan Baker-Hill (Nevada, lives and works in New York) and Li Nianxin (China, lives and works in New York), all exhibiting for the first time in Italy.

Each artist explores the notion of ephemerality and the complexity of the intangible, expressed by very different styles and subjects. Aidan Barker-Hill, for instance, focuses on the transience of life through the representation of everyday moments, creating scenes where often he depicts portraits of himself. Even when evoking feelings and emotions connected to these moments, like personal memories for example, he seems to be more interested in capturing a specific and unrepeteable scene. The present is what matters, what we see now matters.

In contrast with this approach, the other artists involved invite the viewer to look beyond what they see. For them, not all things are ephemeral or tangible: on the contrary, they reflect on issues such as traditions, identity, relationship between the innerself and nature, spirituality, emotions and how these themes can be made visible through their artistic practice.

This opposition between two different visions creates a new dialogue built both on figurative and abstract paintings, characterized by the use of vibrant and vivid colours, sensual forms and layered textures.

The opening reception will take place on September 6 from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm. The show will be on view through October 4.

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