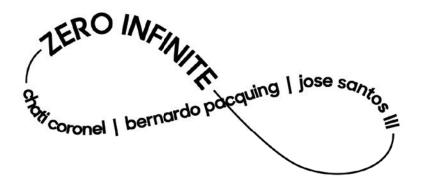


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The show perhaps should be called 'Infinite, Zero, Infinite' pertaining to the middle number that zero stands for. On either side of it, are an infinitly at the positive or at the negative. Mathematically, these are unconnected-zero is a number; infinitly is a concept you can never reach.

For this show, Jose Santos III chose Bernardo Pacquing, Bernardo Pacquing chose Chati Coronel. Santos and Pacquing were first, and last, together shown at the Cultural Center of the Philippines Thirteen Artist Award in 2000, the millennium bug year. Chati's pieces float in and out of Bernie's consciousness, like spirit pieces reflected on months after their encounter. A conversation over studio visits among the artists revealed common interests in the beginnings of their processes, in the endless inquiries presented by specifics. Inquiries that can go either side into positive or negative: x-axis or y-axis. Or z-axis even!

Zero is the measure of nothing, of having no quality; infinity, we use to describe the process of doing something forever. Zero is a definite presence; infinity is an approach. Diagrammatically, their symbols are the same, an unbroken but connected line, but twists of each other.

The twist is what we are interested in. When does something become art? When do materials rise above their humble parts to become more than their sum? When Pacquing ratchets together hard and soft objects to form impossible but consummate unions; when Coronel paints layers on layers of color and text to reveal a final figure that was there from the beginning; and when Santos builds assemblages into cascading packets of the national psyche.

Philosophically, they present a way of working- a perpetual beginning, an indivisible source, the perfect unknown.

- Isa Lorenzo









Future Resplendent, 2018 acrylic on canvas 84h x 60w in 213.36h x 152.40w cm

Invoke: Light to Matter to Spirit, 2019 acrųlic on canvas 72h x 120w in ∙ 182.88h x 304.80w cm (diptych)







Asterisk, 2019 acrylic on canvas 72h × 60w in (182.88h × 152.40w cm)

Mighty, 2018 acrylic on canvas 60h x 84w in (152.40h x 213.3ów cm)







"Untitled # 1" After J.S. Bach's Partita No. 2 "Chaconne", 2019 assemblage 72h x 110. 25w x 7d in (182.88h x 280.04w x 17.78d cm)











"Untitled # 3" After J.S. Bach's Partita No. 2 "Chaconne", 2019 assemblage 39,50h x 60w x 32d in (100.33h x 152.40w x 81.28d cm)





"Untitled # 4" After J.S. Bach's Partita No. 2 "Chaconne", 2019 assemblage O'3h x 48w x 4d in (160.02h x 121.92w x 10.16d cm)









"Untitled # 2" After J.S. Bach's Partita No. 2 "Chaconne", 2019 assemblage 21h x 44 w x 39d in (53.34h x 111.76w x 99.06d cm)

"Untitled # 5" After J.S. Bach's Partita No. 2 "Chaconne", 2019 assemblage 34h x 21w x 12d in (86.36h x 53.34w x 30.48d cm)













(Re)stored, 2019 resin 8óh × 217w × 12.25d in (218.44h × 551.18w × 31.12d cm)







Urban Skin, 2019 resin 131h x 124.25w x 4d in (332.74h x 315.60w x 10.16d cm)







Making a Killing, 2019 resin cigarettes, takatak boxes, and three video screens dimensions variable









Coronel (b. 1970) arrived at painting after completing a Degree in Architecture in 1991. She has since developed a distinct practice of deeply layering painted figures, using negative space to contain gestures and landscapes to explore human consciousness and spirit.

Coronel had her first one-woman show at Manila's seminal artist-run space. Surrounded by Water, in 1999. She was the recipient of a grant for artist residency at The Vermont Studio Center in 2000 and was the first Filipino artist chosen to participate in the Florence Biennale in 2005. Coronel's Singapore exhibit, "The First Kiss on Earth" was listed in Artnet's Top Ten International Shows of 2014. Coronel lives and works in Manila and is represented by Silverlens Galleries.

RECOGNITIONS AND RESIDENCIES

- 2005 Biennale Internazionale dell'Arte Contemporanea, Florence Featured in MOCA-sponsored catalog for Ghettogloss Gallery, Los Angeles
- Freeman Asian Fellowship, Vermont Studio Center, Johnson 2000

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 The Infinite Yes, Silverlens, Manila
- 2016 The Way In/The Way Out, Silverlens, Manila
- 2015 Word Paintings, Manila FAME, SMX Convention Center, Manila
- 2015 How to Open a Mountain, Silverlens, Manila
- 2014 The First Kiss on Earth, Silverlens, Singapore
- 2013 UnPortraits Silverlens Manila
- 2012 SkinSkin, Silverlens, Manila
- 2010 An Hour in a Glass Balloon, Silverlens, Manila
- 2009 Primal Praver, Groundfloor@Santeecourt Gallery, Los Angeles
- 2007 Minus, Groundfloor@Santeecourt Gallevvrv, Los Angeles
- 2003 The Dakini Principle, The Podium, Manila Lila: Divine Play, Big and Small Gallery, Manila
- 1997 Supershine, Surrounded by Water Gallery, Manila

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITION

- 2019 Art Basel, Silverlens, Hong Kong Zero Infinite Silverlens Manila Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens, Manila
- 2018 Art Basel, Silverlens, Hong Kong

Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens, Manila

Shared Coordinates, a collaboration of Edouard Malingue Gallery, ROH Projects, MSAC and SILVERLENS, The Arts House, Singapore

- Translación, Inaugural Exhibition, Curated by Gary-Ross Pastrana, 2017 Silverlens Manila
- 2016 Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens, Manila 2015
 - Bazaar Art Jakarta. The Ritz Carlton Jakarta Pacific Place. Indonesia Surrounded by Water, Finale Art File, Manila Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens, Manila
 - Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens, Manila
 - Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens, Manila
 - A Tribute to Heroines, Louis Vuitton 20th Anniversary Exhibit, Manila Hybrids, curated by Rachel Rillo, Blanc, Manila
 - Munifestation, Blanc, Manila
 - Working in Progress, curated by Adeline Ooi, Silverlens, Manila
- 2006 Far and Wide, MJ Higgins Gallery, Los Angeles 2005 Florence Bienniale, Basso Fortress, Florence
 - Anniversary Show: Group Exhibit, MJ Higgins Gallery, Los Angeles Escapes, Frame Concepts Gallery, Toronto
- 2003
- Transmodern Transgressions, Group Exhibit, Cultural Center of the 1999 Philippines, Manila 1997
 - Gallery Artists 2. Brix Gallery, Manila

FDUCATION

University of Santo Tomas, Manila, Philippines Bachelor of Science in Architecture

PUBLICATIONS

Kanga, Lara. "Artist Chati Coronel Talks First Kiss." Accessed October 1 2015. http://www.news.artnet.com/art-world/10-must-see-international-galleryshows-63264

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Atienza, Mikey, "Skin Deep," Contemporary Art Philippines Issue 22 2012, p.

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October, 2003, G-2



José Santos III was born in Manila. Philippines in 1970. He received his BFA from the University of the Philippines College of Fine Arts where he also taught for several years. His early paintings have a "dreamlike" quality not for their subject but for their convincing veneer of naturalism, which comes into contradiction with our own real-life order.¹ Santos' narrative works reflect a strong cryptic iconography. Whether it's about telling stories through his figurative paintings and drawings or tracing histories through his still life compositions in collage, painting, assemblage and installation works, their messages are oftentimes elusive and impenetrable opening up possibilities for interpretation.

In his more recent works, Santos continues his explorations of objects not only to uncover their histories but more so to obscure our perception and understanding of these everyday things. In 2000, he was chosen as one of the Thirteen Artists Awardees by the Cultural Center of the Philippines. His works have been exhibited in Malaysia, China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Bangladesh, Denmark, Berlin, Paris, New York and London,

He currently lives and works in Pasig City, Metro Manila, Philippines.

¹Lifted from an article by Riel Jaramillo Hilario for the artist's monograph, Jose Santos III (vol.2, 2009)

ACHIEVEMENTS/RECOGNITIONS

- 2018 World Wildlife Fund Ambassador Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden acquisition of Order of Things No 3
- 2001 UP Gawad Chanselor Awardee For Outstanding Visual Creation, University of the Philippines, Diliman, Ouezon City, Philippines
- 2000 13 Artists Awardee, Cultural Center of the Philippines Recipient, University of the Philippines Faculty Grant Juror's Choice, Philip Morris Philippine Art Awards 1994
- Honorable Mention for the artist group Salingpusa, 1st Remy Martin Public Art Competition

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 The Armory Show: Focus Section, Pier 92, New York, USA
- 2017 It's never the same. The Drawing Room, Makati City, Philippines

- 2016 Distance between two points, A3 Arndt Art Agency, Fasanenstrasse 10719 Berlin Germany 2015
 - Rebuilding Blocks, Big Room at Art Informal, Mandaluyong City, Philippines
 - 2hide /hīd/n.v., Pearl Lam Galleries, 9 Lock Road, Gillman Barracks Singapore

RE: Collection, Art Basel Hong Kong, Booth 1C30, Hong Kong Convention Center, Hona Kona

Hide & Seek, Art Fair Philippines 2014, The Link, Ayala Center, Makati City, Philippines

- 2013 In Transition, BenCab Museum, Baquio City, Philippines Confertum: Collecting Crowds, University Of The Philippines Vargas Museum, Philippines
- 2012 Clockwise, Art HK 12, Hongkong International Art Fair, Hongkong Convention and Exhibition Center
- Sneak Peek. The Centro Iloco de Juan Luna Hall, Sitio Remedios, Ilocos 2011 Norte, Philippines
- Uncommon, Art Informal, Mandaluyong City, Philippines 2009
- 2006 Insights, West Gallery, Artwalk, Megamall, Mandaluyong City, Philippines Journeys, Art Space, Scotts Rd., Singapore
- Phases, Boston Gallery, Cubao, Quezon City, Philippines 2005 Kaminattawatupatan, Numthong Gallery, Bangkok, Thailand,
 - Past Presented, Boston Gallery, Cubao, Ouezon City, Philippines
- 2004 2003 Perspectives, Boston Gallery, Cubao, Quezon City, Philippines
 - Orientations, West Gallery, Artwalk, Megamall, Mandaluvong City, Philippines
- 2002 Paper Planes, Pinto Gallery (The House), Antipolo City, Philippines Acts, West Gallery, Glorietta 4, Makati City, Philippines
- Flat Land, West Gallery, Artwalk, Megamall, Mandaluyong City, Philippines 2001 Epeisodion, Boston Gallery, Cubao, Ouezon City, Philippines 1999
- Reflections, Boston Gallery, Cubao, Quezon City, Philippines 1995 Building Blocks, Boston Gallery, Cubao, Ouezon City, Philippines

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2017

2014

- Zero Infinite Silverlens Manila 2019
- 2018 Verticality, Rosenfeld Porcini Gallery, London Two Houses, Institute of Contemporary Art, Singapore Pintokyo, Tokyo, Japan Heart Earth, WWF New Ambassadors, Ronac Lifestyle Center, Makati City, Philippines
 - Terra Incognita, HilgerBROTKunsthalle, Vienna, Austria
- 2016 Paper Matters, At Present, Gillman Barracks, Singapore ASIANOW Paris Asian Art Fair. Paris, France
- 2015 WASAK! Filipino Art Today, ARNDT Potsdamer Strasse 96, Berlin Germany The Next Chapter, University of the Philippines Vargas Museum, O.C., Philippines

Off Site/ Out of Sight, Project Bakawan, University of the Philippines. Diliman, Ouezon City, Philippines

2013 Art Stage Singapore, Marina Bay Sands, Singapore

1991

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2014

2013

2011

Revealing Signs of the Present, Metropolitan Museum Manila, Philippines

- 2012 Imagining Identity, Finale Art File, Makati City, Philippines
- 2011 Monumental, Manila Contemporary, Makati City, Philippines
- 2010 Crossover: Samtidskunst Fra Filippinerne\Sydostasien, Bronsalen Exhibition Hall, Copenhagen Denmark Dekalogo, Vargas Museum, UP Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines
- 2009 Figuring the Times, Finale Art Gallery, Makati City, Philippines Pitik-Bulag Letra at Liwanag: A Celebration of Philippine Contemporary Art and Poetry,

GSIS Museum, Pasay City, Philippines

- 2008 Silent Tension, Gallerie Taksu, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia Art Beijing, National Agricultural Exhibition Center, Beijing, China
- 2007 Postcards From The Philippines, Singapore Beyond Borders II, Art Space, Scotts Rd., Singapore
- 2006 Emerging Fires, Gallerie Taksu, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia Space Launch, The Space at Art Informal, Mandaluyong City, Philippines
- 2005 Portal Shifts, Substation Gallery, Armenian St., Singapore
- 2003 11th Bangladesh Asian Art Biennale, Bangladesh National Museum, Bangladesh
- 2001 16th Asian International Art Exhibition, Guangdong Museum of Art, Er-sha Island, Guangzhou, China 10th Asian Art Biennale, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2000 2000 CCP Thirteen Artists Awards, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila, Philippines Kathang Kamay, Philippine Center Gallery, 5th Ave., New York , USA
- 1997 Dreams, Impressions and Ideas, Boston Gallery, Cubao, Quezon City, Philippines
- 1995 Playgrounds, West Gallery, Mandaluyong City, Philippines
- 1994 To Be or Not To Be: The Industrial Destruction of Nature, Goethe Institute, Aurora Blvd. Quezon City, Philippines Angels and Saints, Boston Gallery, Cubao Quezon City, Philippines
- 1992 Karnabal, Bulwagang Carlos B. Francisco, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila, Philippines

ART RELATED ACTIVITIES

- 2009 Lifeline (Mural Project for St. Luke's Hospital), Global City, Taguig City, Philippines
- 1997 instructor
- 2004 Drawing, Techniques and Painting courses, College of Fine Arts, University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines
- 2002 Set Designer, E-Dance Concert Version 1.0
- 1994 instructor
- 1999 instructor
- 1994 Member, Artist group SALINGPUSA

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts, Major in Painting College of Fine Arts, University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City



Bernardo Pacquing (b. 1967, Tarlac) has continually worked in abstraction and non-representation, exploring the physicality of surfaces and the material minutiae of urban life through painting and sculptural forms.

Pacquing was twice declared a winner of the Grand Prize for the Art Association of the Philippines Open Art Competition (Painting, Non-Representation) in 1992 and 1999, and is a recipient of the Cultural Center of the Philippines Thirteen Artists Award in 2000. He received a Freeman Fellowship Grant for a residency at the Vermont Studio Center in the United States. Pacquing graduated from the University of the Philippines College of Fine Arts in 1989.

AWARDS, CITATIONS AND RESIDENCIES

- 2000 Thirteen Artists Awardee, Cultural Center of the Philippines Freeman Fellowship Grant, Vermont Studio Center, Vermont
 1999 Grand Prize Winner, Art Association of the Philippines < Open Art Competition (Painting Non-Representational)
 1995 Honorable Mention Philippine Art Awards
- 1994 Honorable Mention, Philippine Art Awards
- 1992 Grand Prize Winner, Art Association of the Philippines, Open Art Competition, 1992 (Painting Non-Representational)

PUBLIC ART COMMISSIONS

2019 Domes Village, New Clark City
 2018 Cracks and Crevices, NEX Tower, Manila
 Earth Mounds, Lubi Art Island Project, Davao

SOLO EXHIBITIONS 2017 Bernardo

- Bernardo Pacquing, Silverlens, Manila
- 2015 Half Full, Silverlens, Manila
- 2014 Inattentional Blindness, West Gallery, Manila
- 2013 Premise Trumps Plot, West Gallery, Manila
- 2011 Potato Motion, Finale Art File, Manila 2010 Farth Mounds, Finale Art File, Manila
 - Earth Mounds, Finale Art File, Manila Rock Paintings, West Gallery, Manila
- 2009 Things We Miss While Waiting, West Gallery, Manila
- 2008 Making Truth Forgettable, Finale Art file, Manila

Within The Margin Of Error, West Gallery, Manila

- 2007 Shape Memory, Mag:Net Gallery, Manila Peaple I Know, Finale Art File, Manila Envisage, Mag:Net Gallery, Manila
- 2006 Dripping Weight, Finale Art File, Manila
- 2005 Close to a Measurable Extent, Finale Art File & West Gallery, Manila
- 2004 Works on Paper, Finale Art File, Manila Self-Teaching Keyboard, West Gallery, Manila
- 2003 Recent Paintings, Mag:Net Gallery, Manila Damp Mortar, West Gallery, Manila Dummy Run, Finale Art File, Mandaluyong City, July
- 2002 Anthropometry, West Gallery, Manila
 Dissonance and Rhetoric, Finale Art File, Manila
 2001 Brief Unbecoming Mass, Art Center, Manila
- 2001 Brief Unbecoming Mass, Art Center, Manila False Density, Finale Art File, Manila 2000 Article, The Drawing Room, Manila
- 2000 Article, The Drawing Room, Manila Poems and Letters, De La Salle University, Manila Collage, West Gallery, Mandaluyong City Drawings, Vermont Studio Center, Vermont
- 1999 Altered Piece, Finale Art File, Manila
- 1998 Improvisations, Brix Gallery, Manila
- 1996 Daub and Arias, Finale Art File, Manila
- 1993 Chasms-Saltando-Coalesce, West Gallery, Manila

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 Zero Infinite, Silverlens, Manila Art Fair Philippines, SIlverlens, Manila
- 2018 Alternative Fallacies, West Gallery, Manila Once I Had A Vision... The Left Hand of Darkness Curated by Tony Godfrey, MO_Space, Manila Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens, Manila
- 2017 Curated by Federico de Vera Ayala Museum, Manila Sydney Contemporary. Carriageworks, Sydney. Australia Art Basel, Silverlens, Hong Kong Shared Coordinates, in cooperation with ROH Projects & Edouard Malingue, The Arts House, Singapore Translación, Inaugural Exhibition, Curated by Gary-Ross Pastrana, Silverlens, Manila
- 2016 smalls, Underground Gallery, Manila Art Basel, Silverlens, Hong Kong Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens, Manila More Than This, West Gallery, Manila
- 2015 Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens, Manila Art Basel, Silverlens, Hong Kong
- 2014 Art Taipei, Silverlens, Taipei stick up don't move smile (reinventing black, 1957 to today),

Finale Art File, Manila

What does it all matter, as long as the wounds fit the arrows?, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila Bernardo Pacquing | Max Balatbat, Silverlens, Manila

- 2013 Art Fair Philippines, West Gallery, Manila
- 2012 Abstraction is Homeless, Manila Contemporary, Manila
- 2011 Complete and Unabbridge, Part 1 La Salle ICA, Singapore I Miss the 20TH Century, Manila Contemporary, Manila Shope Six, Mo_Space, Manila
- 2010 Cube Show, Finale Art File, Manila
- 2009 Alcazaren Pacquing, Finale Art File, Manila
- 2008 Etudes For More Than Two Hands, Mo_Space, Manila Longtitude, SMU Gallery, Singapore
- 2007 I Have Nothing To Paint and I'm Painting It, Mo_Space, Manila
- 2006 Prints / Imprints, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila
- 2004 Cancelled Metaphors Part 2, Art Center, Manila Near Life Experience, Mag:Net, Manila
- 2002 Homecoming: 16th Asian Internation Art Exhibition, Ayala Museum, Manila
- 2001 16th Asian Internation Art Exhibition, Guandong Museum of Art, China Guilty Pleasures, Art Center, Manila SpaceMeetingPlace, Ayala Museum, Manila 9 Objects: Tribute to Marcel Duchamp, Alliance Francaise, Manila Marginalia, West Gallery, Manila
- 2000 True Confessions, Art Center, Manila 13/2000, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila Collages, Art Space, Manila For George McGuffin, West Gallery, Manila Quotidian Gray, Art Center, Manila
- 1999 O-O, Brix Gallery, Manila
- 1998 Illumined Pleasures, Art Center, Manila Gallery Artists, Brix Gallery, Manila
- 1996 48x19, West Gallery, Manila
- 1995 Measure and Metaphor, Art Center, Manila Painting by Numbers, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila Square One, Museo Iloilo, Iloilo
- 1993 Works on Paper, Cebu Museum, Cebu Source:Manila, Galleria Martinez, Bacolod Source:Manila, CAP Art Center, Cebu
- 1992 Source:Manila, Museo Iloilo, Iloilo

EDUCATION

1984 - 1989 University of the Philippines, College of Fine Arts - Editorial Design







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