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The three-woman exhibition Ordo Ab Chao, a Latin for 'order out of chaos' or 'order from disorder', dissects the search for order in the creative processes of Christina Quisumbing Ramilo, Yasmin Sison and Pam Yan-Santos while in the state of constant mental and physical disarray. Although initially viewed as clutter, the need to accumulate and categorize objects becomes material for works; it becomes fertile ground for production, as well as points for refuge, meditation and breath.

Individualistic selections of things from their everyday coalesce into abstracted objects, collages, installations and figurations, creating in the process subconscious intimate self-portraits of their contexts and idiosyncrasies. As personal lives and spaces of work merge, there is an undeniable revelation of the self with each piece of raw material and its transformation shown.





Christina Quisumbing Ramilo's sculptural objects are experimentations and explorations out of collected scrap wood and materials, highlighting a sense of play with every piece. Each work on the shelf is delicately matched and mismatched to fit a certain form that is distinctive to Quisumbing-Ramilo. Yasmin Sison's collages, shown in painting, video and scrapbook, merge together vibrant patterns and color schemes, cut-outs and paint, as well as miniature house fittings. This method of layering becomes a veiling and unveiling of her personal narrative. Pam Yan-Santos remakes disjointed filing cabinets with a quotation 'balance is never straight' set on its side ---sharply pointing to the fragmentations of the mind while in the process of organization. Each drawer is personalized with prints and phrases, while a shredder standing obliquely to its front instructs viewers to discard their thoughts.





Barangay Obrero I, 2008 - 2018 wood remnants from past construction works and various used household items 29 pcs, variable dimensions



Barangay Obrero II, 2008 - 2018 wood remnants from past construction works and various used household items 30 pcs, variable dimensions



Barangay Obrero III, 2008 - 2018 wood remnants from past construction works and various used household items 40 pcs, variable dimensions



The wall upon entering presents a glimpse of the artists' works --- Quisumbing Ramilo with an object, Sison with a painting, and Yan-Santos with an envelope-filled drawer labelled priority. Inside, the space is ironically in order, assembled and in place with each artist set separately on their own areas as though emphasizing further the individualistic manner not only by means of their aesthetics but the manner in which the art works are made. This sets contrast to the fount of the works themselves, which is disorder and amasses of things, and the similarity of effect and affect the act of creating has for these women.





pam yan santos

Priority Mail #2, 2018 acrylic, resin, paper 11.22h x 16.93w in (28.50h x 43w cm)









from left to righ

Balance is Never Straight #1, 2018 acrylic, resin, paper 39.76h x 18.70w in (101h x 47.50w cm)

Balance is Never Straight #2, 2018 acrylic, resin, paper 51.97h x 18.80w in (132h x 47.75w cm)

Balance is Never Straight #3, 2018 acrylic, resin, paper 27.56h x 18.70w in (70h x 47.50w cm)

Balance is Never Straight #4, 2018 acrylic, resin, paper 39.57h x 18.90w in (100.50h x 48w cm)



Also present in all these are hints of the domestic, personalized to their own realities. As each feeds the other, a cycle ensues where the boon and bane, the privilege and drawback of living in constant chaos turn into a source of inspiration for the pieces made. Transparent in the works as well are the unique processes involved in confronting the clutter. Although not as a directive but in a more exemplary fashion, one becomes privy to how each of the artists deal and cope yielding in the process a shared cathartic experience in production and the revelation of one's own understanding of things function.





yasmin sison

Roo, 2018 water mixable oil color on canvas 19.69h x 19.69w in (50h x 50w cm)



Peel, 2018 oil on canvas 44.88h x 44.88w in (114h x 114w cm)



Art here is seen as redemption, the jump-off point and end of the creative process. It has become site of strength in lifting one's head out of the water, in being able to find semblances of clarity in the midst of the jumble.

iris ferrer





Christina Quisumbing Ramilo (b. 1961) examines and reimagines objects and surfaces through a sensitive approach to material and site specificity. Her artistic practice shows a profound interest in the life and history of objects and centers on interventions that reconfigure, transform, or give new life to existing works that ultimately express and respond to personal

at Artinformal, 'Construct' (2013) at Silverlens, and 'Residue' (2013) at Galleria Duemila. She was part of the Filipino delegation to the 26th Asian International Art Exhibition at the Hangaram Museum (Seoul, 2011). She has recently done special projects as artist-inresidence at Langgeng Art Foundation (Yogyakarta, 2016), TAKSU (Kuala Lumpur, 2017) and the Taiwan East Coast Land Art Festival (Taitung, 2017).

RESIDENCIES AND GRANTS

- Astraea Foundation Video Grant, New York
- Astraea Foundation Video Grant, New York

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- "1998". Cendrillon. New York closet series. Cendrillon. New York
- Guni-Gunita, Philippine Center, Philippine Consulate, New York
- Graduate Thesis Exhibit, New York University, New York

SELECTED GROUP SHOWS

- - - Art Now, SMX, Manila

Shop 6 Revisited READYMADE REMADE & UNMADE, MO Space, Manila 1999 Sa Langit Mong Bughaw, Tembi Contemporary, Yogyakarta All I want for Christmas, Manila Contemporary, Manila

- Apartment Drafting, 1R Gallery, Brooklyn, New York
- Scape, Cendrillon, New York
- Point Of Origin, The New York Law School, New York

EDUCATION

1985 - 1988 Master of Arts Degree in Studio Art and Art Education Major - Painting

Curator, Brooklyn Museum of Art, 80 Washington East Galleries, New

- Underground/Boston-New York Artists Exchange. The Revolving Critic's Choice, Juror: Ethan Karp of OK Harris Gallery, Gallery402, NewYork Halo-Halo, Cendrillon, New York Small Works Salon Show, Gallery 402, New York Uncommon Portravals, New York Mercantile Exchange, New York Sining at Kataga (Art and Words), Vargas Museum, University of the Spring 2000 Group Show, La Mama La Galleria, New York
 - The Art of Resistance, Puffin Room, New York Queer Art, St. Paul's Chapel, Columbia University, New York Vestiges of War, A/P/A Studies Gallery, NYU, New York

Seduction of History, art presentation, Brenda Taylor Gallery, New York

- Group Show, La Mama La Galleria, New York
- In Our Eves, The Lesbian and Gay Community Center, New York
- Asian-Americans in the Arts, art panel and slide presentation, Columbia
- Asian Pacific American Art, Tweed Gallery at City Hall, New York
- Hempstead, New York
- Graduate Thesis Exhibit, Washington Square East Galleries, New York

- Suntok sa Buwan (Hit the Moon), YWCA, Brooklyn

pam yan santos

Pam Yan Santos' (b. 1974) works have always been about depth and role of memory in encoding events and the harvested from personal experiences are strewn all drawing, collage, scribbles and prints. Sometimes, installation and or actual objects are integrated to interact and enhance the visual experience.

Yan Santos was awarded the Cultural Center of the Philippines Thirteen Artists in 2009 and was shortlisted for the Ateneo Art Awards the same year. In 1993, she won first place in the print category of the Art She has a bachelor's degree in Painting from the where she also taught studio courses for five years. Her works have been exhibited in Singapore, Hong Kong, Taipei, France and New York. Yan Santos is based in

SOLO SHOWS

SELECTED GROUP SHOWS

- Inaugural Show, NuNu Fine Art, Taipei

- Brave New Works: 2009 13 Artists Awards. Cultural Center of the

Uncommon Sence (Trauma, Interrupted, too), Cultural Center of the

- . Cadavan de Oro City, Philippines Tampu Lapuk, 2nd Dumaquete Biennale 2007

Bakating Limbag Sining II/ RESTRIKE 3, An exhibition of Philippine Fine

- Kathang Kamay, Philippine Center Gallery, 5th Ave., New York, New

5th Mondial Triennale of Small Sized Prints, Chamalieres Auvergne,

of the Philippine Association of Printmakers, Cultural Center of the

- IMPRINTS, two person exhibition of prints, West Gallery, West Avenue,

SELECTED GROUP SHOWS

ART-RELATED ACTIVITIES

EDUCATION

New Eiguration (Painting Prints Photographs), Gallery Indigo, BenCab

yasmin sison

With degrees in both Humanities and Fine Arts from the University of the Philippines, it is no wonder Yasmin Sison has a conceptual approach to her art. She is also a founding member of the art collective Surrounded by Water. Before becoming a full-time artist, she took several teaching jobs, the last and longest of which was as a pre-school teacher. Her interest in children also reflects in the way elements of childhood recur in her art. Her works have been exhibited across the Southeast Asian region. In 2006, she became a recipient of the Cultural Center of the Philippines' Thirteen Artists Award and in the following year she was shortlisted in the Ateneo Art Awards.

AWARDS

- 007 Ateneo Art Awards, Shortlis
- 06 Thirteen Artists Award

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- '018 A Girl's Guide to Building in Technicolor, West Gallery, Manili
- 2016 Invisible Garden, Art Informal, Ma
- 2015 Box Forts for Big Children, Finale Art File,
- 3 Playing House, Finale Gallery, Manila
- 012 The Domestic Life of Pictures, Silverlens, Manila Storybook Collages, West Gallery, Manila
- 2011 Underneath the Sky, Finale Gallery, Manila
- 2010 Spaces in Between, Artesan Gallery, Singapore
- 2009 Into the Woods, Finale Art gallery, Art Center, Mani 2009 Turping Tideo, Finale Art File, Lee gester Mapile
- 2007 The Weight of Waiting, Valentine Willie Fine Arts, Kuala Lumpur Gingerbread Girls, Finale Art File, Manila
 - The Punky Brewster Sessions, MAG:Net, Manila Unmade, MAG:Net, Manila
- 05 Reading For Beginners, UFO Gallery, M
- 03 Interior Domain, FINALE Art File, Máni
- 02 Stick Em Up!, Surrounded by Water Gallery, Angono, Rizal
- 001 28 Days, Surrounded by Water Gallery, Angono, Rizal
-)00 Kitchen Sink Drama, The BritishCouncil Library, Manila
- 1996 Apple Pickers from Japan, Discovery Series, Hiraya Gallery, Ma
- 95 Powder Room, West Gallery, Mani

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- DESTRUCTURE, Mo_Space, Manila ORDO AB CHAO, Silverlens, Manila Pinto Manhattan 2, Tribeca, New York
- Pintokyo, Shibuya, Tokyo Maray Christman (Don't Want to Fir
- 2017 Merry Christmas (LDon't Want to Fight Tonight), Underground Gallery, Manila Helping Hands, Pinto Art Gallery, Antipolo UG3 A Collage Show, Underground Gallery, Manila Let the Right One In, Let the Wrong Ones Go, Underground Gallery, Manila Material Gildar, Mano Collage, Manila
- 2016 They Speak to You by Association, Galleria Duemilla, Manila Surrounded by Water and Friends, Pelampung di Bawa Kursi Anda (Life Jacket Under your Seat), Langgeng Art Foundation, Jogjakarta Surrounded by Water and Friends, Pelampung di Bawa Kursi Anda (Life Jacket Under your Seat), Selasar Sunaryo Art Space, Bandung, Indonesia Short span, Post Gallery, Manila Mariano Ching/Yasmin Sison, Owen James Gallery, Brooklyn They Speak to You by Association, Galleria Duemila, Manila Shelf Life, Underground Gallery, Manila
- Bangkal Paintings, Underground Gallery, Manila Babel, Underground Gallery, Manila You Must Change Your Life, Equator Art Project, Singapore Turtles All the Way Down, Special Exhibits, Art Fair Philippines, Manila The Last Dog Show (Come Back When You're Famous), Finale Gallery, Manila Melted Cities, Blanc Gallery, Manila
 POOKENDS: Olsone Callery, Manila
- 2014 BOOKENDS, Blanc Gallery, Manila

Fan Fiction, West Gallery, Manila Tabletop, Altro Mondo, Manila What Does it All Matter, As Long As the Wounds Fit the Arrow?, 2 Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila Picture Life, Tin-Aw Gallery, Manila Imaging Philippine Flora: 1877 to the Present, MET Museum, Manila Brave New Worlds, MET Museum, Manila Do You Believe in Angels, Mo_Space, Manila

- 2013 Picture Imperfect, Mo Space, Manila Beast/Bloom for thee:Biota Etc, Canna Gallery, Indonesia Monogashi, Silverlens, Singapore Stacking Up, Mo Space, Manila The Mona Lisa Project, Bulwagang Fernando Amorsolo, CCP Haven't We Met Refore. Art Stare Singapore. Singapore
- 2012 Chimera, Singapore Art Museum, Singapore Build, Blanc Peninsula, Manila Painting the Sublime, Manila Contemporary, Manila A&L: The Parallel Lives Museum, U.P. Vargas Museum, Manila Readymade China Girls, MO Space, Manila
- 011 Scribble Stage, Finale Gallery, Manila Strip 2011: Painters as Photographers, Curated by Rachel Rillo, Silverlens, Manila To Be Continued, Osage, Hong Kong Collidoscope, VWFA, Singapore Line and Space, Maginet Gallery, Manila Love Letters, Manila Contemporary, Manila

D10 Latitudes. Encounters with the Philippines, Primo Marella Gallery, Milan 1996 Games for Growing, Blanc Peninsula, Manila

- 2009 DimeBag 3, Shoe Box Diorama, Mag:net Gallery, The Columns, Maka and West Gallery, Manila In the Ocean Without a Boat or a Paddle, Blanc Gallery, Manila Post Tsunami Art, Marella Gallery, Milan, Prague Biennale 4, Karlin Hall, Prague Things Said Amongst Us, Nadi Gallery, Jakarta
- Doo Sprinning Sugar, Mag.net Gallery, Marilia
 In Between Days, Blanc Gallery, Marila
 Dog Show, Green Papaya Arts Project, Manila
 13 Artists Awards, CCP Complex, Manila
 Balancing Act, Future Prospects, Marikina Shoe Expo, Man
 The Way We Get By. West Gallery. Manila
- Post Módernism is Šo Last Seasón, Green Papaya Art Projects, Mani 005 Innocent When You Dream, Finale Art Gallery, Manila Fragile Youth with Artificial Legs, Theo Gallery, Manila SBW exhibit at Saquijo, Theo Gallery, Manila
- On Paper, Magnet, ABS-CBN, Manila 2004 Museum of the Mind is a Jumbled Playaround, Vargas Museum, UP Diliman, Manila
- 2004 Museum of the Mind is a Jumbled Playground, Vargas Museum, OP Dillima Cancelled Metaphor, Art Center, Manila
- 2003 Dogshow, UFO, Mandaluyong, Manila, Cubicle, Pasig City Portalet, Linya Gallery, Tibanga, Iligan City Silent Declarations, Valentine Willie Fine Arts, Malaysia Cut, Mag:net Gallery, The Loop Tower, ABS/CBN Compound, Manila Densities, Making Sense of Dense Cities, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila Feast of Conversation, Atelier Frank and Lee, Singapore Utopia, Art Seasons, Singapore
 - Mainstream, Surrounded by Water Gallery, Angono, Rizal

- Erixation, Lopez Museum, Manila Space Meeting Place, Ayala Museum, Manila Cool Pieties, Art Center, Manila Surrounded, Cultural Center of the Philippines. Manila Faith and the City, Earl Lu Gallery Lasalle SIA College of Arts, Singapore, ABN AMRO House, Malaysia, Valentine Willie Fine Art, Kuala Lumpur Grand Royale, Big Sky Mind, Manila Video Take, Openbare Bibliotheek van Leuven, Brussels True Confessions, Art Center, Manila Dog Show, Surrounded by Water Gallery, Angono, Rizal Into the Rabbit Hole, Surrounded by Water Gallery, Angono, Rizal Dag Show, Surrounded by Water Gallery, Angono, Rizal The Today Show, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila The Incredibe Lives of Alice and Lucinda, Surrounded by Water, Angono, Rizal Topology of Signs, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila The Incredibe Lives of Alice and Lucinda, Surrounded by Water, Angono, Rizal Topology of Signs, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila Coordinates, Boston Gallery, Boston, Cubao X-prints, Australia Centre No Preservatives Added, Surrounded by Water Gallery, Angono, Rizal Crossroads: Terminal Baggage, Australia Centre Views from Elsewh ere, SM Megamall Artwalk, Manila Inner Child, Ayala Museum, Manila Breaking Appolonians, Filipina Artists: 1975 to the present Alliance Francaise de Manille Dangerous Metaphors, Artwalk, SM Megamall, Manila Delatang Pinoy: Yes, the Filipino Canl, Hraya Gallery, Manila
- Painting by Numbers, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

 2002 - 2006
 Cavite Institute, Silang, Cavite Teacher, Preschool Level

 1999 - 2002
 Surrounded by Water Gallery Mandaluyong, Manila Volunteer Staff/Member

 1999 - 2006
 Ayala Museum Instructor, Ayala Museum's Escuela sa Museo

 1998 - 2001
 St. Scholastica's College Malate, Manila Lecturer, Department of Fine Arts

 1993 - 1994
 Cavite Institute Silang, Cavite Teacher, Frimary Level

 Summer 1992
 Cultural Center of the Philippines, Summer Visual Arts Worksh

EDUCATION

- University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines MA Art Education University of the Philippines - Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines Bachelor of Fine Arts, Major in Painting
- 2 1993 University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines Certificate for Professional Education
- 88 1992 University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines

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