

Exhibition Date: From now till 28 Feb 2016

Venue: Bi-city Biennale of Urbanism \ Architecture

Heritage Discovery Centre, Kowloon Park

Time: Mon - Wed, Fri: 10 am - 6 pm

Sat, Sun, Public Holidays: 10 am - 7 pm Closed on Thur (except Public Holidays)

SALT – MICROCOSM OF LIFE [STYLE]

The power of media in shaping our perception, way of life, architecture and city is formidable. Powerful marketing in Hong Kong's consumerist society, with its extremely seductive visual images and advertisements, have exploited our instincts and warped our desires, subconsciously manipulating our consumption choices – our Lifestyle.

The work is our personal reflection of where the media is taking us to, and how we could react and lead our own way of living by changing our perspective instead. We are using Salt, as an example, to re-discover its authentic value, which is something worth lot more than what we used to be on our dining table.

The work is a time lapse art installation of which salt crystals will crystalise on different kinds of threads over a three month period. The growing intensity of the crystals is highly dependent on its natural supplements – Sun and Wind. It is through viewers' intense observation and understanding of the physical transformation of Salt, to re-discover its authentic value of this naturally abundant mineral. It is not only our physical make up, but also a microcosm of the world, including world climate and civilisation. In fact, salt production is one of the earliest "industrial" activities recorded and it is regarded as a cultural heritage in Hong Kong.

We would like to welcome you and join us to explore Salt in a different context. Together, we can speculate an alternate reality, based on this essential ingredient to life, to recalibrate our city towards a truly authentic ecosystem. It is a new 'way of seeing' through this microcosm of Salt - Life!

Rina Ko and Stanley Pun

Feel free to get a copy of the postcards at the lower level of the installation.

The thread, as an inhabitant of the glass vitrine, is telling a story of the city.

Progress photos are posted on our facebook pages.

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