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TOSHIYUKI NANJO SOLO EXHIBITION "suns / signs / spectators"

Date: April 8 – June 3, 2017

(Open on Friday and Saturday and otherwise by appointment)

Hours: 11:00am - 6:00pm

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HRD FINE ART is pleased to announce a solo exhibition of photographer Toshiyuki Nanjo titled "suns / signs / spectators." Being Nanjo's second solo exhibition held at HRD Fine Art, this exhibition will proudly showcase new works from his signature series titled "suns" as well as a couple of works from "spectators," a group of work to be publicly presented for the first time.

Under the title "suns," Nanjo has been creating meticulous photographs of sunlight reflected on moving water surface with long exposure time. New works included in this exhibition are black and white digital prints, instead of color prints Nanjo used to produce. In these works the existence of light is emphasized through simpler contrast between black pigment and white paper color. Intriguingly, not unlike wooden block prints or copperplate prints using black ink, blank areas uncovered with black pigments and exposing the base photographic paper represent light, where non-existence paradoxically suggests existence, as if to allude to our everyday perception of light.

Meanwhile, in the "spectators" series Nanjo sets the stage at racing circuits, capturing blurred image of speeding automobiles in the course afar and the race-goers from behind in the foreground. These rather humorous images, where tension and lack of enthusiasm oddly coexist, evoke interesting thoughts surrounding photography, such as line of sight, speed and time, and subject-object relation.

As part of the exhibition program, the artist will conduct a photographic workshop on Saturday, May 13 in the gallery for everyone to participate. More details will be announced later.

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[ARTIST'S BIOGRAPHY]

Toshiyuki NANJO

1972 Born in Tokyo Lives and works in Kanagawa

Selected Solo Exhibitions

1999	"EXIT" Hokari Fine Art Gallery, Tokyo
2000	"a blue" Hokari Fine Art Gallery
2002	"The Sun on Water" Gallery Pirka, Tokyo
2006	"suns" Exhibit Live & Moris, Tokyo
2007	"suns" Masuii R.D.R Gallery, Saitama
2008	"suns" Gallery Grand Cafe, Tokyo
2012	"New Works" Space O'NewWall, Seoul
2014	"Slithy Mirror" mujikobo, Yokohama
2015	"suns" HRD Fine Art, Kyoto

Selected Group Exhibitions

2000	"Jin 'Photo' Session 2000" Gallery Jin, Tokyo
2001	"Jin Session 2001 Vol. 3" Gallery Jin, Tokyo
2004	"cresc. photo exhibition" Gallery Satoru, Tokyo
	"Element / vol. 2" Exhibit Live & Moris, Tokyo
2006	"Experimental Vision II" San-Ai Gallery, Tokyo
2008	"Internal - figure -" San-Ai GALLERY, Tokyo
	"Blue Dot Asia" Seoul Arts Center, Seoul
	"Let There Be Light" Gallery Hangil, Paju
2008-09	"Floating Odyssey 2008" Waterloo Gallery, London / Exhibit Live & Moris, Tokyo /
	Book House Art Space, Paju
2009	"Yoin / Hibiki: Works of Three Japanese Photographers" Hyun Gallery (Seoul)
2010	"Nagameru-Manazasu Division-3" Up Field Gallery, Tokyo
2014	"Changwon Asia Art Festival" Sungsan Art Hall, Changwon, Korea
	"Out of Photographs #3" mujikobo, Yokohama
2015	"Mirror - Reflected Images" Kawasaki City Museum, Kawasaki
2016	"CORRESPONDENCE LANDSCAPE 016" Gallery Kobo Chika, Tokyo



[ARTWORKS]



suns-137 pigment print 56x45.7cm 2016 ed.10



suns-138 pigment print 56x45.7cm 2016 ed.10





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pigment print 42x29.7cm 2014 ed.10