



CONTEMPORARY ART JEWELLERY

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Anja Eichler
Urbanauts

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Early in September, the vander A Gallery will showcase contemporary art jewellery from Anja Eichler, a German artist who lives and works in Shanghai.

« Urbanauts », the title of this exhibition, comes from the artist's feelings and emotions while living in a mega pole surrounded by a different culture.

As an « urbanaut », Anja cruises Shanghai as a sailor among foreigners who do not speak her language. In this labyrinth of human relations where nature is missing, her artworks tell us her journeys and are the witnesses of her audio and visual impressions.

Close to the living ones, Anja's wearable jewels submit us to mysterious organic realities from deep oceans, lunar landscapes or embryonic elements that cling to the body, moving and breathing together.

We will recognize her signature *work gloves* material but in more colourful compositions showing the hollows of the waves and furrows as many urban channels, navigating and discovering such a different land.

We will easily embark in this universe thanks to Lise Vachon (Canadian choreographer and dancer established in Belgium), Laura Colmenares Guerra (Columbian/Spanish visual artist) and Todor Todoroff (Belgian Engineer – Composer of electroacoustic music). These three confirmed artists will give their free interpretation of a Chinese « Lost in Translation ». Their works based on body perception will intensify the living materiality of the synthetic jewels.

The vander A Gallery is pleased to present Anja Eichler's biomorphic art works together with an interesting artistic performance where dance, video and music come together to better feel in the urbanaut's shoes.

Anja Eichler - Urbanauts - *from* 6 September to 6 October 2012

Opening on 5 September 2012, 6 – 9pm

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