

YIN XIUZHEN 尹秀珍 | 第二张皮 SECOND SKIN

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Highway, 2009, clothes, stainless steel, aluminium panel and lamp, 650 x 200 x 330 cm, © 2010 Yin Xiuzhen

Pace Beijing is excited to present an exhibition of Yin Xiuzhen's recent work. It is her first exhibition with the gallery. Yin Xiuzhen: Second Skin will open on March 18th and remain on view through May 8th, 2010.

Yin Xiuzhen is known for her sculptural installations made of second-hand clothes in which she juxtaposes the soft, often feminine clothes, with her industrial or machine-related creations. With an

eye towards the familiar, she blends the discarded and nostalgic qualities of second-hand clothes with the heroic and aggressive nature of industrialized products or cities.

Second Skin will present 20 new works, including Freeway, a large sculptural recreation of a highway partly made from clothes. With China's fast-growing demand for cars comes the need for new and expanded roadways. The process of building these roads is often fraught with tension as homes are displaced to make way for the "greater good."

In the exhibition, Yin Xiuzhen again explores clothes' multiple roles. Besides their function to protect and keep a person warm, they also represent a person's identity and can give clues to their history. Yin Xiuzhen refers to clothes as a person's "second skin" and addresses how people are losing their personal identity in an increasingly globalized world and striving to rediscover it.

Yin Xiuzhen was born in 1963; she graduated from the Capital Normal University, Department of Oil Painting. She currently lives and works in Beijing. She is scheduled to exhibit in the Museum of Modern Art's (New York) Projects series. Yin Xiuzhen's "Projects 92" is on-view February 24 – May 24, 2010. Her work has been included in "Chinese Pavilion, Venice Biennale 2007", Venice, Italy; "26th San Paulo Biennale" San Paulo, Brazil; "Inside Out: New Chinese Art Exhibition", P.S.1 Contemporary Art Center, USA.

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