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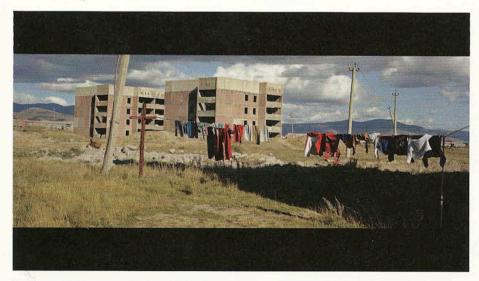




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- Marieta
 Chirulescu
 Sans titre |
 Untitled (Big
 Print 3), 2008
 Impression
 jet d'encre
 sur toile | Inkjet
 print on canvas
 152×113 cm
- Michael E. Smith Sans titre | Untitled - Fish Skin, Straw Hat, Screw, 2012
- 1 Marieta Chirulescu Sans titre | Untitled, 2012 Impression jet d'encre sur toile | Inkjet print on canvas 190 × 80 cm
- Sans titre | Untitled, 2012 Impression jet d'encre sur toile | Inkjet print on canvas 190 × 87 cm
- Sans titre | Untilled, 2012 Impression jet d'encre sur toile | Inkjet print on canvas 190 × 83 cm
- 2 Miriam Cahn Mit bündeln, 19.7.02, 2002 Huile sur toile | Oil on canvas 180 × 88 cm
- 3 Mathieu
 K. Abonnenc
 Un film italien
 (Africa Addio).
 Première partie:
 cuivre, 2012
 Film HD,
 couleur, sonore |
 HD film, color,
 sound, 26'
- 4 Uriel Orlow
 Remnants
 of the Future,
 2011-2012
 Vidéo HD,
 couleur, sonore
 Video HD, color,
 sound, 18'

et très concerné par la situation des dictatures sud-américaines dans les années 1970. [FRAC Lorraine]

Duncan Campbell

Né en 1972 à Dublin (Irlande), vit et travaille à Glasgow (Écosse). Postulant que le documentaire est une forme fictionnelle, Duncan Campbell en interroge la nature: agençant des archives et des images d'époque au sein de narrations

de réel succès et, presque immédiatement, son inventeur se heurte à des difficultés financières. L'usine qui a employé 2000 ouvriers ferme en 1982, ayant à peine produit plus de 9 000 voitures. Cependant et paradoxalement, cette voiture de sport deviendra grâce à la trilogie Retour vers le futur une icône cinématographique et, par contrecoup, un symbole illustrant le mythe américain. [M. C.]

les marges et les bordures qui se superposent dans une stratigraphie illisible. Le goût de l'artiste pour l'incident parasitaire — scotch oublié, griffure, poussière, reflet, décentrage, etc. - lui viendrait d'une enfance passée en Roumanie à feuilleter des livres à l'impression approximative. Images d'Internet, captures d'écran, photographies prises par son père durant la dictature ou illustrations extraites de l'ancienne revue

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portraits of emblematic characters from twentieth-century history. Make It New John (2009) → Page 96 is the story of John DeLorean and his invention, the DeLorean DMC-12. In 1973 John DeLorean, talented engineer and vice president of General Motors, left the automobile giant to set up his own company. Backed by the British government he built a factory in Dunmurry, in the suburbs of Belfast. Located on the border between Catholic and Protestant neighborhoods, the factory was expected to contribute to a reduction in social and political conflicts by giving members of both communities work. But the DeLorean was not a real success and, almost immediately, John DeLorean came up against financial difficulties. The factory—which employed two thousand workers-closed in 1982, having produced only nine thousand cars. The sports car would, however, paradoxically become both a cinemato graphic icon thanks to the trilogy Back to the Future and a symbol illustrating the American dream. [M. C.]

Marieta Chirulescu

Born in Sibiu, Romania in 1974, she lives and works in Berlin, Germany. Marieta Chirulescu manages to avoid

the usual schism between the digital sect from the sacrosanct chapel of traditional photography: for "impurity," she practices an inconstant decompartmentalization ranging from digital to analogue, from painting to photography, from Photoshop to photocopier. Her work resembles filters, veils, or pigmentary projections, often emitting a nebulous haze whose depth rises to the surface, whose borders become fuzzy: it is sometimes difficult to distinguish the grain, given the effect of digital enlargement resembles the weave of a painted canvas; it is also difficult to distinguish between margin and border, which are superimposed in an unreadable stratigraphy. The artist's penchant for interference—forgotten tape, scratches, dust, reflections, misalignment, and so on—stems from a Romanian childhood spent leafing through badly printed books. Internet images, screenshots, photos taken by her father during the dictatorship or illustrations extracted from the old Romanian magazine Arte are treated in a way mimicking archival and bureaucratic procedure. The young artist works toward an exhaustiveness that would explain the washed-out and overexposed tones of the anemic images → Pages 98, 100

Notes on Exhibiting Artists

It comes as no surprise that the first years of her training in 2001-02 were spent as Dóra Maurer's student. In the early 1970s, this Hungarian artist combined engraving, drawing, photography, and collage, making them converge, notably to create operations of folds, imprints, and traces. Chirulescu's fingerprints seem to have lived, and sometimes suffered from negligence or abandon, without our necessarily being able to distinguish the accidental from mannerism. Here, an iridescent halo is split by a fold that one would find real if the illusion of bas-relief had not been interrupted by the white, perfectly flat border around the impression (Untitled, 2009). There, a constellation of white spatters two black grounds we would have thought were distinct if the spatters had not radically united them in a common leveling (Stop, 2010). Different layers (of exposure or resolution) thus superimpose themselves at intervals of a versatile transparency and a compressed depth, favorable to bleed-through and trompe l'oeil. If Marieta Chirulescu practices the dynamics of tracinga process inherent in software for retouching images—it is to heighten effects, both tactile and impalpable.

Ici, un halo irisé est fendu par une pliure que l'on aurait dite réelle, si l'illusion du bas-relief n'avait pas été interrompue par le liseré blanc, parfaitement plat, bordant l'impression (Sans titre, 2009). Là, une constellation de giclures blanches macule deux fonds noirs que l'on aurait cru distincts, si l'éclaboussure ne les avait pas radicalement réunis dans un aplanissement commun (Stop, 2010). Différentes couches (d'insolation

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For an abstraction of presence and not of virtuality. [H. M.]

René Daniëls

Lives and works in Eindhoven, Netherlands, where he was born in 1950. René Daniëls's dazzling career was consolidated between 1977 and 1987, at the exact time the neoexpressionist wave sounded the return of painting as business, experienced in the game of financial speculation. While he rapidly met his German elders Sigmar Polke and Georg Baselitz, whose touch he obviously shared in the beginning, the Dutch painter had an affinity for more mischievous spirits, notably those of René Magritte and Marcel Broodthaers who, as a way of avenging himself for a small audience, resolved to "plaster" their art. This biting lucidity inhabits certain canvases by Daniëls: here, the artist houses an Academy of art in a bank building; elsewhere, he solicits a public hungry for artistic one-upmanship (The Most Contemporary Picture Show, 1983). In 1987 the Lentbloesem series listed the names, places, and concepts making up his genealogy on schematic trees. The same year, the victim of a concussion, he interrupted his practice, taking it up again in 2006.

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