Give Me Space
New Prints 2020/Summer
Selected by Chitra Ganesh

Selections Reflect on Spaces for Political Dissent and the Body

Online Exhibition Live June 25


International Print Center New York (IPCNY) announces Give Me Space: New Prints 2020/Summer, an online exhibition featuring 54 new works selected by Chitra Ganesh. Chosen from prints and print-based work created over the last year and submitted by more than 1,000 artists, the exhibition presents a diverse group of 41 artists and “reflects the radical and unprecedented shifts of space, both physical and psychic, that are being urgently enacted by our current political moment,” says Ganesh. Organized in the context of the COVID-19 crisis, the project “speaks to how the global pandemic and the stark inequalities it has laid bare have given way to a radical restructuring of how bodies exist in public space,” Ganesh continues. The exhibition takes its title from Farah Mohammad’s work in Give Me Space.

Organized for the digital format while IPCNY’s exhibition space remains temporarily closed, the exhibition is the latest and first fully-online presentation of IPCNY’s long-standing New Prints Program, which supports artists from a wide range of backgrounds and reflects artistic production of the moment. Users of the website can listen to Ganesh’s powerful statement, read texts by the 41 artists, and navigate the exhibition’s themes: PsychoGeographies, Points of Contact, New Cosmologies, Environment and Justice, and A Story in Fragments.

Sovak, Junko Tamura Eguchi, Magdalena Wanat, Alejandro Waskavich, David Wolske, Judy Woodborne, and Mami Yamamoto.

ABOUT THE JUROR: Chitra Ganesh (b. 1975) is a Brooklyn-based artist whose practice in drawings, prints, comics, installations, and video brings into focus narrative representations of femininity, sexuality, and power typically absent from canons of literature, history, and art. Ganesh created her first published prints at the Brodsky Center in 2009 and has continued to pursue the medium, most recently in 2019 at Durham Press. Ganesh’s work is widely recognized in South Asia and has been exhibited internationally and in New York, including solo presentations at The Warhol Museum, MoMA PS1, Brooklyn Museum, Rubin Museum of Art, and The Kitchen. Her forthcoming site-specific installation at the Leslie-Lohman Museum of Art, part of their annual QUEERPOWER, will take up the institution’s exterior windows in SoHo.

ABOUT THE NEW PRINTS PROGRAM: IPCNY’s New Prints Program is a platform for artists from a wide range of backgrounds working in the medium of print. The biannual open call exhibitions feature prints and print-based work created in the preceding twelve months in a variety of formats and techniques. Artists selected for each exhibition are eligible to apply for the New Prints Artist Development Program consisting of three opportunities for artists to further develop their careers and printmaking practice: Artist Residencies, Artist Mentorships, and Sponsored Coursework.

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International Print Center New York is New York’s flagship non-profit arts institution dedicated to the innovative presentation of prints by emerging, established, national, and international artists. Founded in 2000, IPCNY is a vibrant hub and exhibition space (temporarily closed due to the pandemic) located in New York’s Chelsea gallery district. Our artist-centered approach engages the medium in all its varied potential, and includes guest-curated exhibitions that present dynamic, new scholarship along with the New Prints Program. A 501(c)(3) institution, IPCNY depends on foundation, government, individual support, and members’ contributions to fund its programs.

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