

BIENVENU STEINBERG & J

The Way Things Go

Dec 23, 2022 - Jan 14, 2023

Join us for a reception on Saturday, Jan 7, from 12 to 6pm

Jonathan Callan
Martí Cormand
Jackson Denahy
Charles Hascoët
Nell Junyung
Peter Kim
Glenda León
Sébastien Léon
Artur Lescher
Stefana McClure
Sean Micka
Keiko Narahashi
Yuko Nishikawa
Jean Pierre Raynaud
Liliana Porter
Inna Smolina
Julianne Swartz
Ana Tiscornia

Bienvenu Steinberg & J is pleased to present *The Way Things Go*. The exhibition, bringing together 18 international artists, will be on view through January 14, 2023. Named after the iconic 1997 film by Peter Fischli and David Weiss, the show invokes the spirit of the original line-up of buckets, tires, ladders, candles, barrels and other things set off into a seemingly endless cycle. No pyrotechnics, electricity nor chemical reactions involved in the exhibition. Besides a low-tech wooden wheel by Artur Lescher and three neon sculptures by Nell Jungyun, most works in the exhibition remain still and silent.

A series of chain reactions is nevertheless mentally ignited: from Jean Pierre Raynaud's flower pot launched in outer space to Liliana's Porter's minuscule *Tennis Player*, throwing Charles Hascoët's (*Open*) balls into the air, going into Julianne's Swartz *Void Fragments* nets, ...bouncing back to Yuko Nishikawa's ethereal mobiles, ...landing onto Marti Cormand's fork shadows and Keiko Narahashi's

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ghostly ceramic heads, the eye jumps to Stefana McClure's protest stones wrapped in Cuban Revolutionary comics.

The circumvolved contraptions in Sebastien Leon's *Psychodrawings* echo the feeling one gets from looking at Ana's Tiscornia's chair sinking into the floor or finding Glenda Leon's *Objeto Mágico Encontrado*. Range, a mountain of books covered in snow by Jonathan Callan is red lit by the neon signatures of *Camille Claudel*, *Na Hyseok* and *Ana Mendieta*. Sean Micka's delicate tulip is going through a paint storm while a lone character seeks for escape in Jackson Denahy's painting. Inna Smolina's discarded juice boxes neighbor Peter Kim's abandoned vessels.

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