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CHIE FUEKI

On 9 September 2006 the Mary Boone Gallery will open at its Chelsea location "Lucky, Star, Super, Hero", an exhibition of new paintings by CHIE FUEKI.

In these intricate and colorful works, Chie Fueki – who was born in Japan and raised in Brazil - interweaves her exposure to diverse customs with an outsider's fascination toward American popular culture. Divining a subject archetypically American, Fueki explores the ceremonial, ritualistic, and seasonal occurrence of team sports. The superhuman status of players, the tribe mentality of spectators, the spiritual and mythological connotation of animal mascots, and the symbolic use of color and numbers are all made palpable within a disciplined structure that is itself reminiscent of the game.

The manner in which Fueki constructs a painting reveals her appreciation of the folk art, textiles, and patterning prevalent in other cultures' visual arts. Each work is composed of paper collage, graphite rubbing, colored pencil, washes and beads of paint, creating a brocade-like skin that allows the image to be experienced through texture, surface, and color.

The Artist wishes to dedicate this exhibition to Leslie Lerner.

The exhibition, at 541 West 24 Street, will run through 21 October 2006. Please contact the Gallery if we can be of further assistance.