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JACOB HASHIMOTO

On 5 January 2007 the Mary Boone Gallery will open at its Fifth Avenue location an exhibition of new wall-mounted works and a site-specific Installation by Jacob Hashimoto.

Balancing on the line between sculpture and painting, they disclose the themes of abstraction and landscape that have characterized Hashimoto's recent work. Each piece is comprised of hundreds (and sometimes thousands) of paper and bamboo elements that are constructed according to traditional Japanese kite forms. The individual "kites" are strung together in chains and stretched between comb-like wall mounts, forming a complexly layered surface that is at once floating and anchored. Often this surface is painted and collaged with pictorial elements, prompting the viewers' eyes to oscillate between the individual elements and the overall composition.

Hashimoto's site-specific Installation "Nuvole" is a canopy-like cloud of circular kites suspended from above. Rising from floor-level at the back of the small gallery toward the ceiling, it undulates across and forward in the space. Each component kite hangs from a loop of string that is attached to one of many long, parallel dowels that are secured to the ceiling. As visitors walk under and around the sculpture, air displaced by their movement causes the conglomeration of kites to sway and drift.

The exhibition, at 745 Fifth Avenue, will run through 10 February 2007.

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