3.

### Hibakujumoku

During the summer eighty years ago, atomic bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Trees and plants around the epicenter were blasted with heat forty times the intensity of the sun. While their outer layers, branches, and leaves were incinerated, roots buried underground remained intact, allowing some trees to survive. Now lush and green, these irradiated trees known as "hibakumokuju" have become symbols of resilience, survival, and renewal. Under a microscope, the bark almost resembles human skin, while also evoking the body of the Earth itself—scorched by radiation, damaged yet alive, fragile yet infinitely enduring. The images reveal the traces of history embedded in living forms, and the connections between humanity and the natural world. As Stephan Crasneanscki of Soundwalk Collective says, "In this light, *Hibakujumoku* is a meditation on survival—not just of trees, but of memory, spirit, and time itself."

#### 1

#### Tainted Water

The Great East Japan earthquake and the subsequent Fukushima Daiichi nuclear disaster devastated the region in 2011. In August 2023, Japan began discharging the nuclear reactor's treated wastewater into the Pacific Ocean as part of its decommissioning process, which will continue for decades. Though deemed safe by experts, the act stirred global unease, exposing deep uncertainties about the long-term impact of radiation on marine life and the planetary ecosystem.

Tainted Water is composed of 18th-century Japanese drawings and ukiyo-e woodblock prints of underwater scenes and marine creatures. The found images are processed through the technique of décollage and transformed into abstracted lines that are like strips of lost audio tape. The visual language of the sea, fractured and reassembled, is a call to remembrance, to responsibility, and ultimately, to reverence. In this series, the sea is both subject and speaker.

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#### Buddhas Back series

Displayed are four images of Buddha statues transferred onto glass, yet it is their backs that face the viewer. Buddhism traditionally teaches that the Buddha never turns away from sentient beings. Thus, the image of a Buddha with his back to us suggests a provocation. What have we done with our inherited wisdom as we navigate the turbulence of the present day, marked by environmental degradation, social unrest, and spiritual disquiet? Have we looked away from the reality in front of us? This series asks us to reflect on our own turning away.

The Buddhas' averted gaze might also be read as an invitation: not to despair, but to re-engage with ancient wisdom and reimagine humanity's path forward.

6.

#### Untitled

In Buddhist thought, the lotus blooming in muddy water represents purity, enlightenment, and the capacity to rise above adversity. It is also a symbol of spiritual awakening amid the difficulties of life. This work draws on the generative power of nature and the cycle of birth, death, and rebirth, using the image of the lotus to reflect on the womb as a source of life and potential. It also evokes a painting of the same theme: Gustave Courbet's L'Origine du monde. In contrast to Courbet's sensual realism, this work's use of the lotus is a more symbolic, spiritual expression. Does the lotus vibrantly blooming from the muddy waters represent modern people living in turbulent times? The path toward purity, regeneration, and spiritual transformation is always open.

#### 7-14.

#### Untitled

Over time, the ink from prints slowly bleeds, transferring onto the facing page. It looks at these ghostly mirror images that emerge through a slow, organic process akin to solarisation. The inverted images of sculptures, flowers, and portraits evoke the sense that the image, like memory itself, has attempted to persist across time. Or perhaps the fragility of printed matter mirrors the fading of collective memory.

This series seeks to breathe life into lost voices of holding dialogue with what is no longer here and allowing the invisible to speak again. What was overlooked or discarded reemerges as a faint memory, hovering between a state of presence and absence.

#### 15.

#### Mute

Sanukite is a rare volcanic stone found in Kanayama and Goshikidai in Sakaide, Kagawa Prefecture. Over 20,000 years ago, this material was widely used to create stone tools in Western Japan during the Paleolithic period. It is known in Japanese as "Kankan-ishi" for its resonant, bell-like tone when struck by a wooden hammer. Hitoshi Maeda (1929–2008) used this volcanic rock to create instruments in the late 1970s.

Mute is made of over 100 pieces of discarded sanukite collected from Kei no Sato, a site established by Maeda as a base for creating instruments and staging performances. The stones are marked by cylindrical holes from prior instrument-making processes. Mute reflects on the sound that has been removed and the silence that remains. What is left behind when the music stops? What if silence is not peace, but warning?

# Soundwalk Collective & Patti Smith

**EXHIBITION** 

# CORRESPONDENCES

List of Works

#### 8チャンネル映像

8 Channel Films 全111分

サウンドウォーク・コレクティヴのステファン・クラスニアンスキーが世界の さまざまな土地を訪れフィールドレコーディングによって「音の記憶 |を採 集し、パティ・スミスがその録音との親密な対話を重ねて詩を書き下ろし、 さらにそのサウンドトラックに合わせてサウンドウォーク・コレクティヴが映 像を撮影・編集・引用する。こうした「往復書簡(=コレスポンデンス)」に よって生まれたのが、展示空間全体を包み込む8チャンネルの映像インス タレーションである。サウンドウォーク・コレクティヴによる映像と音響、パテ ィの詩の朗読によって構成される《チェルノブイリの子どもたち》《さまよえ る者の叫び》《パゾリーニ》《燃えさかる 1946-2024》《侍者と芸術家と自 然》《アナーキーの王子》《メデイア》《大絶滅 1946-2024》は、8つのスクリ ーンで1作ごとに、関連するもう1本の映像とともに投影され、映像同士の 対話や、展示内のほかの作品との呼応を生み出す。

#### 1-a.

#### 《チェルノブイリの子どもたち》

Children of Chernobyl

2024

HDビデオ 15分5秒 Video, HD, 15 min, 5 sec

#### 1-b.

#### 《さまよえる者の叫び》

Cry of the Lost

2024

HDビデオ 12分7秒 Video, HD, 12 min, 7 sec

#### 1-c.

2024

## 《パゾリーニ》

Pasolini

HDビデオ 13分 Video, HD, 13 min

# 1-d.

《燃えさかる 1946-2024》

Burning 1946-2024

2024

HDビデオ 17分28秒 Video, HD, 17 min, 28 sec 1-e.

#### 《侍者と芸術家と自然》

The Acolyte, the Artist and Nature

2024

HDビデオ 13分13秒 Video, HD, 13 min, 13 sec

#### 1-f.

#### 《アナーキーの王子》

Prince of Anarchy

2024

HDビデオ 7分55秒 Video, HD, 7 min, 55 sec

1-g.

#### 《メデイア》

Medea

2024

HDビデオ 14分8秒 Video, HD, 14 min, 8 sec

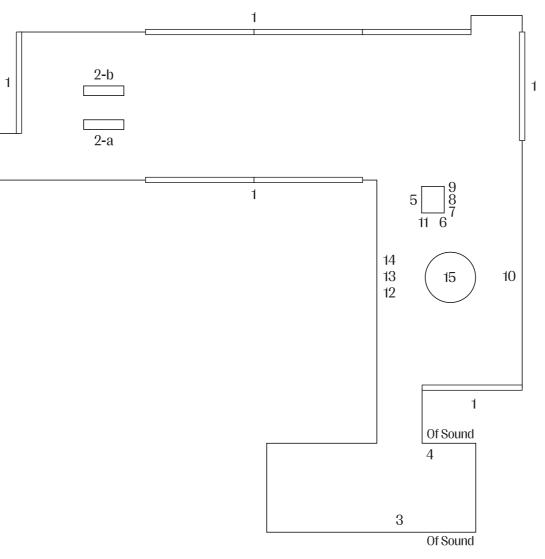
1-h.

《大絶滅 1946-2024》

Mass Extinction 1946-2024

2024

HDビデオ 17分56秒 Video, HD, 17 min, 56 sec



# ライトテーブル

*Light Tables* 

2-a.

## 《パゾリーニ/メデイア》

Pasolini / Medea

2024

ミクストメディア

Mixed media

 $70 \times 275 \times 94$  cm

2-b.

### 《アナーキーの王子/さまよえる者の叫び》

Prince of Anarchy / Cry of the Lost

2024

ミクストメディア Mixed media

 $70 \times 275 \times 94$  cm

3.

#### 《被爆樹木》

Hibakujumoku

2025

ガラスに写真転写、金箔にインク Photo transfers on glass, ink on gold  $51.5 \times 42.4 \times 30$  cm (framed)

# 《汚れた水》

Tainted Water

2025

4.

ガラスに写真転写、金箔にインク Photo transfers on glass, ink on gold foil

 $51.5 \times 42.4 \times 30$  cm (framed)

5.

#### 《仏陀の背 #1-4》

Buddhas Back #1-4

2024

ガラスに写真転写 Photo transfers on glass

 $24.9 \times 19.2 \times 3$  cm (each, framed); set of four

11.

10.

《無題》

Untitled

2025

《無題》 Untitled

2025

和紙にインクジェット印刷、鉛筆

和紙にインクジェット印刷、鉛筆、クレヨン

Pencil, crayon, and inkjet print on washi paper

 $159.5 \times 92.2 \times 18$  cm (each panel); 3 panels

Pencil on inkjet print on washi paper  $73 \times 47.6 \times 1.5$  cm

12.

#### 《無題》

Untitled

2024

6.

ガラスに写真転写、額にクレヨン Photo transfers on glass, crayon on wood

 $22.2 \times 19.2 \times 3$  cm (framed)

# 《無題》

Untitled

《無題》

Untitled

2025

2025 和紙にインクジェット印刷、鉛筆、クレヨン

Pencil, crayon, and inkjet print on washi paper

和紙にインクジェット印刷、鉛筆、クレヨン

Pencil, crayon, and inkjet print on washi paper

 $72.7 \times 99.1 \times 1.5 \text{ cm}$ 

 $73 \times 49.1 \times 1.5$  cm

13.

#### 《無題》

Untitled

7.

2025

和紙にインクジェット印刷、鉛筆、クレヨン Pencil, crayon, and inkjet print on washi paper

 $39 \times 32.5 \times 3$  cm (framed)

# 《無題》

Untitled

8.

2025

和紙にインクジェット印刷、鉛筆、クレヨン

Pencil, crayon, and inkjet print on washi paper  $39 \times 32.5 \times 3$  cm (framed)

9.

### 《無題》

Untitled 2025

和紙にインクジェット印刷、鉛筆、クレヨン

Pencil, crayon, and inkjet print on washi paper  $39 \times 32.5 \times 3$  cm (framed)

14.

# 《無題》

Untitled

和紙にインクジェット印刷、鉛筆、クレヨン

Pencil, crayon, and inkjet print on washi paper

 $73 \times 42.8 \times 1.5$  cm

15.

《沈默》

Mute

2025

サヌカイト、アクリル

Sanukite stone, white ink

dimensions variable; pedestal: 360 cmø