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## Liza Grobler *Maybe Time Can Fold*

Everard Read / CIRCA Cape Town is pleased to present the solo presentation *Maybe Time Can Fold* by Liza Grobler. This is the artist's second solo exhibition with the Cape Town gallery. Opening the 29<sup>th</sup> March, it will run until the 23<sup>rd</sup> April at CIRCA Cape Town. A portfolio is available upon request.

"Of late, when noticing electrical installations or looking up at pylons, such thoughts of influence had grown, and just recently he has passed by a substation and known, *known*, that everything he had ever said or done, was still vibrating in the air around him"

- the character Gilbert du Toit in *The long Wave* by Tom Dreyer.

Time and space is an ongoing process; as is our physical presence in this world. We ARE process. Correction: We are a MOMENT in the process. Maybe, perhaps...then again, maybe not.

Grobler's *Maybe Time Can Fold* serves as a connection of different bodies of artwork, which cross reference one another; traces of interactions that linger in the projection we commonly refer to as "reality". It is a tangible, textured, multi-coloured montage of time, place and space by the artist, to be explored at the audience's leisure.

Take your time. Every interaction is a long line that is interwoven with connections.

The ambitions of this body of works is to strike up a conversation. To invite the viewer to become a granule in the process; a part of the fabrication of space. By being here you are. You are here. You are interacting. You have stepped inside. Consequently, you are part of my process and I of yours... both our perceptions will shift. Trying to hook meaning onto this is simultaneously essential and totally redundant.

Dialogue. Miscommunication. Misunderstanding as methodic.

-Liza Grobler, Cape Town 2017

"[Ours is] a colourful and amazing world where universes explode, space collapses into bottomless holes, time sags and slows near a planet, and the unbounded extensions of interstellar space ripple and sway like the surface of the sea..." - Carlo Rovelli, Seven Brief Lessons on Physics

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LIZA GROBLER (b. 1974, lives and works in Cape Town)

#### **RECENT SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

Upcoming2017 July *Ripples of Perception*, CIRCA Gallery, Johannesburg South Africa. 2017 *Maybe Time Can Fold*, CIRCA Gallery, Cape Town South Africa. 2015 *If you go down to the woods today,* Everard Read Gallery, Cape Town South Africa.

2015 Playlist, CIRCA Gallery, Johannesburg

2014 *Blindfolded Line, Dancing Through Time,* a national touring exhibition: Oliewenhuis Museum (Bloemfontein), KZNSA (Durban), Johannesburg Art Gallery (Johannesburg) South Africa.

### **RECENT SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

Upcoming 2017

Smokey Signals from the Groot Karoo MAPSA and CIRCA Cape Town, May and August. South Africa.

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Romulus Rebus: Imaging Empirs, Priest Gallery, Johannesburg South Africa.

2017 Southern Abstraction, Everard Read Gallery, London, UK.

SocialFabrics SA, finissage Cape Town South Africa.

2016 Coriolis Effect: Migration and Memory, KHOJ Studios, New Delhi, India.
Women's Work, IZIKO National Gallery, Cape Town South Africa.
Social Muscle Club: Let's Winner, Alma Martha Projects, Cape Town South Africa.
Ímago Mundi – Luciano Benetton Collection, New York, USA.

### **RECENT SELECTED SITE-SPECIFIC PROJECTS**

Upcoming 2017

- April Seven Looms of Silence'in collaboration Trenery at Keyes Art Mile, Johannesburg, South Africa.
- 2016 Barbed Wire Paradise' an immersive drawing, StudioGrob, Woodstock, South Africa.
- 2015 *Mexican Pink*, Maravatio (Mexico) *Diary of a Nanosatellite*video included in 'Forever Now' - launch of the Golden Record into Deep Space.

#### **RECENT SELECTED ART FAIRS**

- 2017 Cape Town Art Fair 2017 UNFRAMED *Barbed Wire Paradise is exactly where you are;* solo booth for Everard Read CIRCA South Africa.
- 2016 AKAA Art Fair, Paris Everard Read CIRCA Gallery, South Africa. Cape Town Art Fair, Everard Read CIRCA Gallery, South Africa. Den Fair, Otomys Gallery, Melbourne, Australia.

### **RECENT AWARDS & RESIDENCIES**

- 2017 Smokey Signals from the Groot Karoo; participant and residency coordinator South Africa.
- 2016 Laureate of AIR African Centre Residency, Khoj International Artists'Association, New Delhi, India.
- 2015 Nominated for *Helgaard Steyn National Award* for contemporary painting South Africa.

Short-listed for Headlands Centre Residency, San Francisco, USA. Residency at Guapamacátaro Center for Art & Ecology, Maravatio, Mexico. Site-specific commission for Nando's US, Chicago, USA. Social Fabric SA Residency in Port Elizabeth, SAMIL South Africa.

