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For Immediate Release:

Marielis Seyler

Who Are We?

October 30 – November 24, 2012

Opening Reception:

Thursday November 1st, 6-8pm

Color photograph, 2012

SOHO20 Chelsea gallery presents *Who Are We?*, photographs by Marielis Seyler on view October 30th through November 24th.

Seyler's new series of color photographs are a sardonic critique of humankind's effect on the environment. An eerie combination of masks, disembodied heads, pop culture references and taxidermy make this collection of works a truly bizarre take on our relationship with the natural world. Seyler's use of imagery implies a drive for wealth and control over nature, which posits the viewer between a prescribed individual pursuit and global interest.

Seyler, who usually works in black and white or sepia-tone, utilizes color in this work, by creating a sickly green and yellow hue throughout the series. Though this work is unlike anything seen from Seyler in the past, she retains her impeccable ability of storytelling through symbolic imagery, creating a narrative that pokes, prods and laughs, albeit derisively, at our environmental plight.

Born in Wels (Austria), Seyler studied Photography at the Academy of Graphic Arts in Vienna, Austria. She undertook extensive travels. She has lived in Tokyo (Japan) where she had her first exhibition of photographs, in Paris (France), in Cologne and in Munich (Germany), in Barcelona (Spain) working as an artist and photographer. She is now living and working near Vienna, Austria. International solo exhibitions include shows at Konrad Gans Gallery (Vienna/Austria), Göttlicher Gallery (Krems/Austria), Arte Bologna (Bologna/Italy), Vernon Gallery (Prague/Czech Republic), SOHO20Chelsea Gallery (New York/USA), The National Gallery (Prague/Czech Republic), Wolfgang Exner Gallery (Vienna/Austria), Apicella-B Gallery (Cologne/Germany), Gallery Man (Reykjavik/Iceland), The Museum Ludwig (Cologne/Germany), The Prague House of Photography (Prague/Austria), Gallery St. Charles de Rose (Paris/France), Kameke Gallery (Berlin-Potsdam/Germany).

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