

Coming up event! THAITAI FEVER - STAGE ONE: We're OPEN from August 26th to September 23rd

OCAC Bangkok Grand Opening/ 17:00 August 26th 2012

Open-Contemporary Art Center (OCAC) is an artist-run space founded in Banciao (Taiwan) in 2001. Our tasks include curation, interdisciplinary exchange, art forum, study and publication. We believe that contemporary art permeates into our lives in a wider range than ever. People need a significant clue of "what is contemporary art?" with a full imagination. We look at this and attempt to dedicated ourselves to create diverse forms of which the public interacted with contemporary art.

Upholding our manifestos in contemporary art, in November 2012, we will organize a curatorial project in Bangkok Art and Cultural Center (BACC), presenting Taiwan contemporary art and bringing about collaboration between Thai and Taiwan artists, with a contribution to cultural/art exchange. In order to fully fulfill our curatorial idea, OCAC moved to Bangkok to run an art space, named OCAC Bangkok (former ABOUT PHOTOGRAPHY). This project was initialized by OCAC and Thai artists, Jiandyin (Jiradej and Pornpilai Meemalai), co-organized with the Art Centre of Silpakorn University, Sakarin Krue-On as project's adviser and the space is contributed by Nopadon Kaosam-ang and Klaomard yipintsoi. We believe that living locally and having interpersonal contact help us have in-depth understanding of Thai culture/art; and therefore, we can better assist Taiwanese artist in making art in Thailand. Meanwhile, OCAC Bangkok is not only a name of an art space but also a six-month residency project. We expect

OCAC Bangkok to generate new dialogue between Thai and Taiwanese contemporary art and create networking.

"THAITAI FEVER - STAGE ONE: We're OPEN" is the first stage of our residency project in Bangkok in the form of series of exhibitions. It attempts to present various symptoms of our contemporary society, as well as the creative emergence, morph, and multiplying between Thai and Taiwanese artists. It features more than ten video works of Taiwanese and Thai artists, and one new in-situ collaboration work. Artists include: Sakarin Krue-On(Thailand), Sutthirat Supaparinya(Thailand), jiandyin (Jiradej and Pornpilai Meemalai) (Thailand), CHANG En Maan(Taiwan), HSU Chia Wei(Taiwan), LO Shih Tung(Taiwan), LEE Jo Mei(Taiwan), SHIH Pei Chun (Taiwan), WU Chien Hsin(Taiwan).

We warmly invite you to our grand opening on August 26th. Looking forward to seeing you.