

OLA VASILJEVA

Coeurtregetour

May 19th – June 30th, 2016

Antoine Levi gallery is pleased to present the solo exhibition *Coeurtregetour* by Ola Vasiljeva, opening on May 19th, 2016. The exhibition features a new series of drawings. They resemble detective sketches but the basis is not entirely decipherable - something very multi-limbed and very intoxicated is on trial here, in a room composed of compromised, unreliable, and deceptive judgement.

Coeurtregetour - a word made up by the artist, bubbling from the old-fashioned “tregetour” (magician, trickster) - follows a playful stream of associations.

In Ola Vasiljeva's drawings, the characters inhabit a universe defined by its own ethos, absurd paraphernalia, erotic chemistry, mischief and nonsense.

La galerie Antoine Levi est heureuse de présenter Coeurtregetour, la deuxième exposition personnelle de Ola Vasiljeva, qui inaugure le 19 mai 2016. L'exposition propose une nouvelle série de dessins s'apparentant à des croquis de détectives, dont les sources d'inspiration restent cependant en partie indéchiffrables – quelque chose ayant fortement attiré au polymorphisme et à l'ivresse prend ici place, dans un espace accommodé à partir d'une perception compromise, imprévisible et trompeuse.

Coeurtregetour – une formule créée par l'artiste empruntant au terme démodé “tregetour” (magicien, farceur) – suit un courant d'associations ludiques.

Dans les dessins de Vasiljeva, les personnages peuplent un univers défini par son propre esprit, son attirail absurde, sa chimie érotique, sa malice et ses inepties.

Ola Vasiljeva (Latvia, 1981). Recent solo exhibitions include *You've Got Beautiful Stairs, You Know*, Kunstverein München, Munich, 2016; *En Rachâchant*, Vleeshal, Middleburg, 2015; *The Limp of A Letter*, BOZAR, Brussels, 2015.

Her work has also been included in the group shows: XII Baltic Triennial of International Art, CAC, Vilnius, 2015; *University*, as OAOA, Vleeshal, Middleburg, 2015; *Growing Wildly*, Den Frie, Copenhagen, 2016; *Last Seen Entering the Biltmore*, South London Gallery, London, 2014.

Ola Vasiljeva lives and works in The Hague, Netherlands. *Coeurtregetour* is her second solo exhibition at Antoine Levi gallery.