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## APRIL 2016 NEWSLETTER

Mark your calendar for **RU's annual benefit on June 6**. At this occasion, our signature event the "RU Raffle Residency" will offer the winning artist a 2 month residency in Taipei all expenses covered. More info to follow.

We are delighted to announce out of 191 applications the selection of **Brett Swenson**, **Keren Benbenisty** and **Liliya Lifanova**, all local artists, for a 2 month residency at RU supported by an NEA ArtWorks grant. Each artist receives \$1000.

In April, we welcome **Lenka Đorojević** (Montenegro) and **Matej Stupica** (Slovenia), artist duo and winners of **The Young Visual Artists Award** (YVAA) that provides a residency at RU for emerging visual artists from ten Eastern European countries. This unique opportunity is funded by **Trust for Mutual Understanding**.

Mark your calendars for our public programs of the month :

- **April 9:** opening of *Afterimage*, curated by Rachel Steinberg;
- **April 12:** RU/Beautiful Distress alum Christiaan Bastiaans discusses his working process at Kings County Hospital Center;
- **April 20:** Screening of "Extreme Land" by curator in residency Paolo Mele.

and other RU related events:

**April 14-24: "Sneak a Peek"**, a semi open-air video exhibition organized by School of Visual Arts MA curatorial student Lal Bahcecioglu with video works broadcast from TV's in homes along West 22nd Street. Included are videos by current RU artists **Graciela Cassel**, **Mille Kalsmose**, and **Kanako Hayashi**.

On **April 21**, RU artist **Anne Siirtola** is presenting an in-house screening of her film "Chain Stitch/ Family Portraits" at the **Senior Center on the Square**. In this ongoing project, the artist engages with elderly people from different parts of the world as they disclose certain unforgettable family memories of their past.

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## RU PUBLIC PROGRAMS

# RU Exhibition: Afterimage



*Kanako Hayashi, Practice for water dance, 2016.  
Still image from video, courtesy of the artist*

**April 9, 7-9pm**

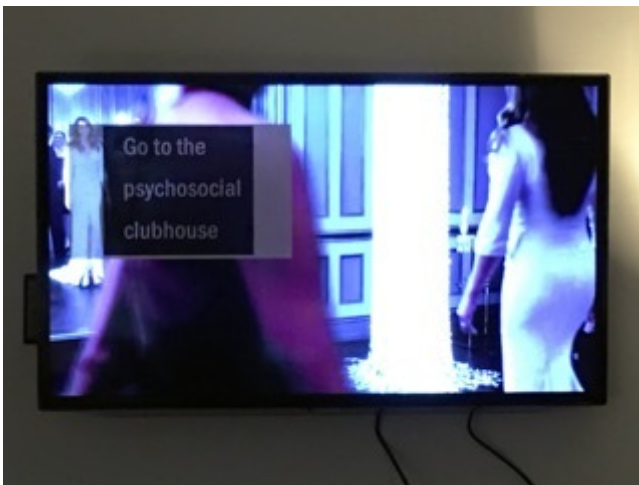
**inCube Arts, 314 West 52nd Street**

InCube Arts and RU are pleased to present *Afterimage* curated by Rachel Steinberg featuring **Kanako Hayashi**, **Peter Depelchin**, **Mille Kalsmose**, and **Phil America**. The title refers to an image that appears in one's vision after the original has disappeared - a visual ghost that insists on its own presence by burning a temporary mark in the sightline.

**MORE INFO**

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## RU Talk: Christiaan Bastiaans and Beautiful Distress



*Christiaan Bastiaans, still from the "Your Attitude has Changed" series, 2015*

**April 12, 6:30pm**

**Residency Unlimited**

**Christiaan Bastiaans**, Paul Laster, Wilco Tuinebreijer, and Carlos Rodriguez Perez discuss Bastiaans' artistic practice in psychiatric settings and most recently his working process at Kings County Hospital Center.

**MORE INFO**

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## RU Talk: "Where the land ends" by Paolo Mele



**April 20, 6:30pm**  
**Residency Unlimited**

RU curator in residence **Paolo Mele** and artist **Brett Swenson** discuss the challenges facing art production in remote areas, with a focus on Mele's organization **Ramdom** located in the Finis Terrae of Italy.

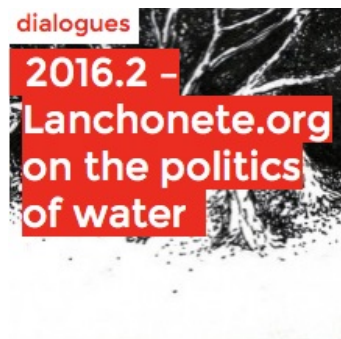
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## RU ALUMNI NEWS



## DIALOGUES

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