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JACOB HASHIMOTO

Skyfarm Fortress

6 September to 25 October 2014

On 6 September 2014, Mary Boone Gallery will open at its Chelsea location *Skyfarm Fortress*, the first large-scale, site-specific installation by JACOB HASHIMOTO to be shown in New York.

This East Coast installation serves as a counterpoint to Hashimoto's immense *Gas Giant* that opened at MOCA Pacific Design Center in Los Angeles in March 2014. Comprised of thousands of the artist's signature bamboo and paper "kites" intricately strung together, *Gas Giant* offered the viewer an immersive, shifting, free-floating arena to explore.

With *Skyfarm Fortress*, Hashimoto similarly creates a wall to wall, floor to ceiling environment, but anchors the three dimensional sculpture with a complex system of suspended open cubes that coalesce from the alignment of solid black square kites. This architectural grid – Brutalism at its most ethereal – both visually supports and penetrates a band of overlapping planes of multi-colored collaged elements.

Above this dynamic substructure is a canopy of white elliptical kites. Cloud-like, translucent, out of reach, and constantly rippling from air currents, this Sky contrasts with the perceived rigidity of the Fortress below. From balletic components, Hashimoto creates a tense narrative of abstract form and composition.

The exhibition, 541 West 24 Street, is on view through 25 October 2014. For further information, please contact Ron Warren at the Gallery, or visit our website www.maryboonegallery.com.