

Title : Cool Invitations 4  
Date : 2017.09.03 - 10.01  
Opening reception : 09,03[Sun] 14:00 - 18:00  
Close : Mon , Tues , Wed  
Venue : XYZ collective  
Curated by : Misako & Jeffrey Rosen  
Invitations collected by Nodoka Kinsho

Participants : Marie Angeletti , COBRA , Daisuke Fukunaga , Ken Kagami ,  
Margaret Lee , Soshiro Matsubara , Futoshi Miyagi , Yui Usui , Ryohei Usui , J ·  
Parker Valentine , Yui Yaegashi , Hikotaro Kanehira , MISA KO&ROSEN ,

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Benefit Exhibition for XYZ Collective  
"Cool Invitations 4"

The time has come for the annual "Cool Invitations" exhibition at XYZ Collective; this year the show will take place in September. Paper exhibition invitations may seem old fashioned and out of date but they still function very well. We will have achieved our aim if visitors to this show feel a sense of longing and excitement towards the exhibitions represented in the presented invitations. When this response has been generated - the invitations themselves will truly function as active parts of the exhibition. The annual participants, friends of XYZ Collective and Doskoi Steak House including artists and curators/gallerists, designed "imaginary" invitation cards for exhibitions both impossible and possible or just a dream.... these "imaginary exhibition invitation cards" suggest that anyone may now make an exhibition invitation when, for whom and however they may want.

This exhibition serves as a benefit for the wide range of XYZ Collective activities. The invitation as artworks by artist are placed on sale. In Japan, spaces such as XYZ Collective - not entirely a commercial gallery, not exactly an artist-run-space is quite rare and difficult to maintain. Yet XYZ Collective has managed to further interest in their aesthetic through projects such as a co-curated show with art space 356 Mission in Los Angeles, the presentation of a two-person show with Yuki Kimura and Kenji Ide; the Collective has future exhibitions planned with German artist Viet Laurent Kurz and Ben Schumacher , and Los Angeles based Puppies Puppies.