

Janice with Camera 1/11/15 — 2/23/15

Cleopatra's is pleased to present *Janice with Camera*, a solo exhibition from the New York based artist and gallerist, Janice Guy.

In *Janice with Camera*, the artist exhibits a series of photographs from the mid to late 70's when she was a student at the Düsseldorf Kunstakademie. The significance of the series being presented is that the woman behind the lens is also the woman in the frame.

Shot in the reflective surfaces of mirrors and windows, the nude self-portraits result in a reversal of the gaze. While Guy is both the photographer and ever-present subject of her pictures, the camera always plays a supporting role; with her accessories - wristwatch, rattan chair, shadows – adding important facets to the composition. The photographs are further enhanced through the spare yet emotive hand tinting of the vintage silver gelatin prints.

Janice Guy (b. 1953, London) has previously exhibited at The Apartment, Vancouver; White Columns, New York; Galerie Mezzanin, Vienna; Galerie Rolf Ricke, Cologne. Her work was also exhibited in *Photography on Photography* at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

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