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The concept of «Bodily Powers», introduced by Arabella Buckley (1840-1929), widely quoted by Estelle Zhong Mengual in Apprendre à voir, Le point de vue du vivant (Actes Sud, 2021) defines the existence possibilities of all animal: " 'the life of an animal depends on the way its body is made. The animal will experience particular struggles, difficulties, successes and joys, depending on the type of bodily powers it possesses.' Powers beyond the reach of humans that they can only dream of. The power to inhabit the air and water. The power to take on the appearance of another, like the octopus Thaumoctopus mimics. The power to fly over the whole world like migratory birds. The power to disappear, like the scops owl, indistinguishable from the tree on which it stands. The power to build itself, like the coral described by Arabella Buckley and Thomas Henry Huxley, which can absorb and transform calcium carbonate from the ocean to build its own body. The power to vanish in an instant, like the chickadee, which can change its trajectory in less than 30 milliseconds. The power of Pymalion to give life to inert matter: 'A plant, as soon as it has roots and leaves, begins to create living matter from material that has never been alive' writes Arabella Buckley. The power to resurrect like moss, which can lie dormant for almost forty years and then come back to life as soon as it manages to catch the water that is so precious to its life. The power to be immortal, like the Phoenician juniper in the Ardèche gorges, which is over a thousand years old. The list is endless: there are as many inaccessible powers as there are life forms."

The exhibition includes new works by Koichi Enomoto, Ester Knapová, Stanislava Kovalčíková, Autumn Ramsey, Emma Reyes, Margaret Salmon and Henry Shum.





Exhibition view, *Bodily Powers*, 2024, Crèvecœur, Paris. Courtesy of Crèvecœur, Paris. Photo: Alex Kostromin.



Henry Shum Monk in Meditation, 2024 Oil on linen, 120 × 80 cm Courtesy of the artist and Empty Gallery. Photo: Alex Kostromin.





Koichi Enomoto Us, like you, 2024 Oil on canvas, 130 × 194 × 3 cm Courtesy of the artist and TARO NASU. Photo: Alex Kostromin.

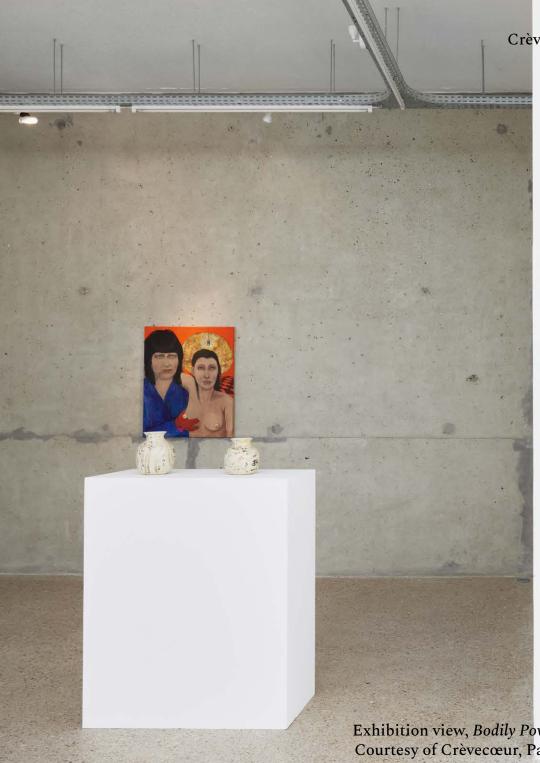




Stanislava Kovalčíková Lavendel, 2024 Oil, foil, lavender, Yoko Ono pins on canvas, 80 × 65 cm Courtesy of the artist and Antenna Space. Photo: Alex Kostromin

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Crèvecœur











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Ester Knapová Soup, 2024 Oil on canvas, 100 × 88 cm Courtesy of the artist and Crèvecœur, Paris. Photo: Alex Kostromin.

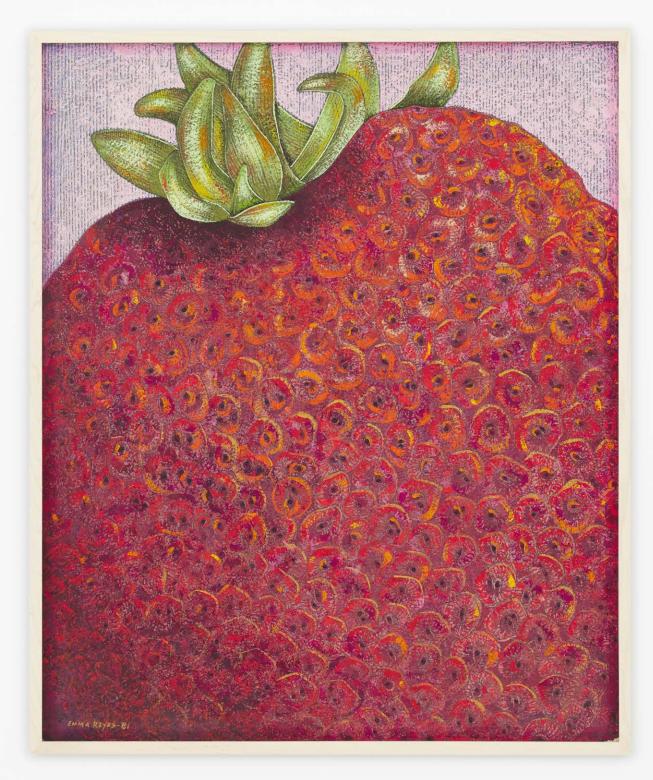




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Autumn Ramsey Exit, 2023 Oil on canvas, 76 × 61 cm Courtesy of the artist and Crèvecœur, Paris. Photo: Alex Kostromin.



Emma Reyes *Untitled*, 1981 Acrylic on paper, 87 × 75 cm (framed) Courtesy of Crèvecœur, Paris. Photo: Alex Kostromin.



Emma Reyes *Untitled*, 1986 Acrylic on paper, 94 × 80 cm (unframed) Courtesy of the artist. Photo: Alex Kostromin



Margaret Salmon Snakeskin, 2024 Mural installation of photography prints, variable dimension Courtesy of the artist and Crèvecœur, Paris. Photo: Alex Kostromin.

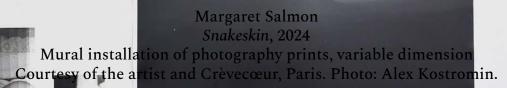
















Margaret Salmon Untitled, 2024 Black and white silver gelatine wet prints, edition of 2 + 1 AP, 49 × 60 cm Courtesy of the artist and Crèvecœur, Paris.





Margaret Salmon Untitled, 2024 Black and white silver gelatine wet prints, edition of 2 + 1 AP, 40 × 50 cm Courtesy of the artist and Crèvecœur, Paris.













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Margaret Salmon *Mid-Grey*, 2024 Various materials – organic, a clock without hands, debris, collectables, books and odds and ends, variable dimension. Courtesy of the artist and Crèvecœur, Paris. Photo: Alex Kostromin.

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Margaret Salmon *Mid-Grey*, 2024 Various materials – organic, a clock without hands, debris, collectables, books and odds and ends, variable dimension (detail) Courtesy of the artist and Crèvecœur, Paris. Photo: Alex Kostromin.

Margaret Salmon Universal Peace, 2024 Disused drawers, branch, popped balloons, marble, biscuit cutters, ceramic vase, ping pong ball, silicon off cuts, broken glass, broken bowel, seaweed Variable dimension

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Courtesy of the artist and Crèvecœur, Paris. Photo: Alex Kostromin.

Margaret Salmon Trainer, 2024 White trainer, broken mirror, Apple laptop, offcut paper, variable dimension -

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