

AGENCE DE VOYAGES

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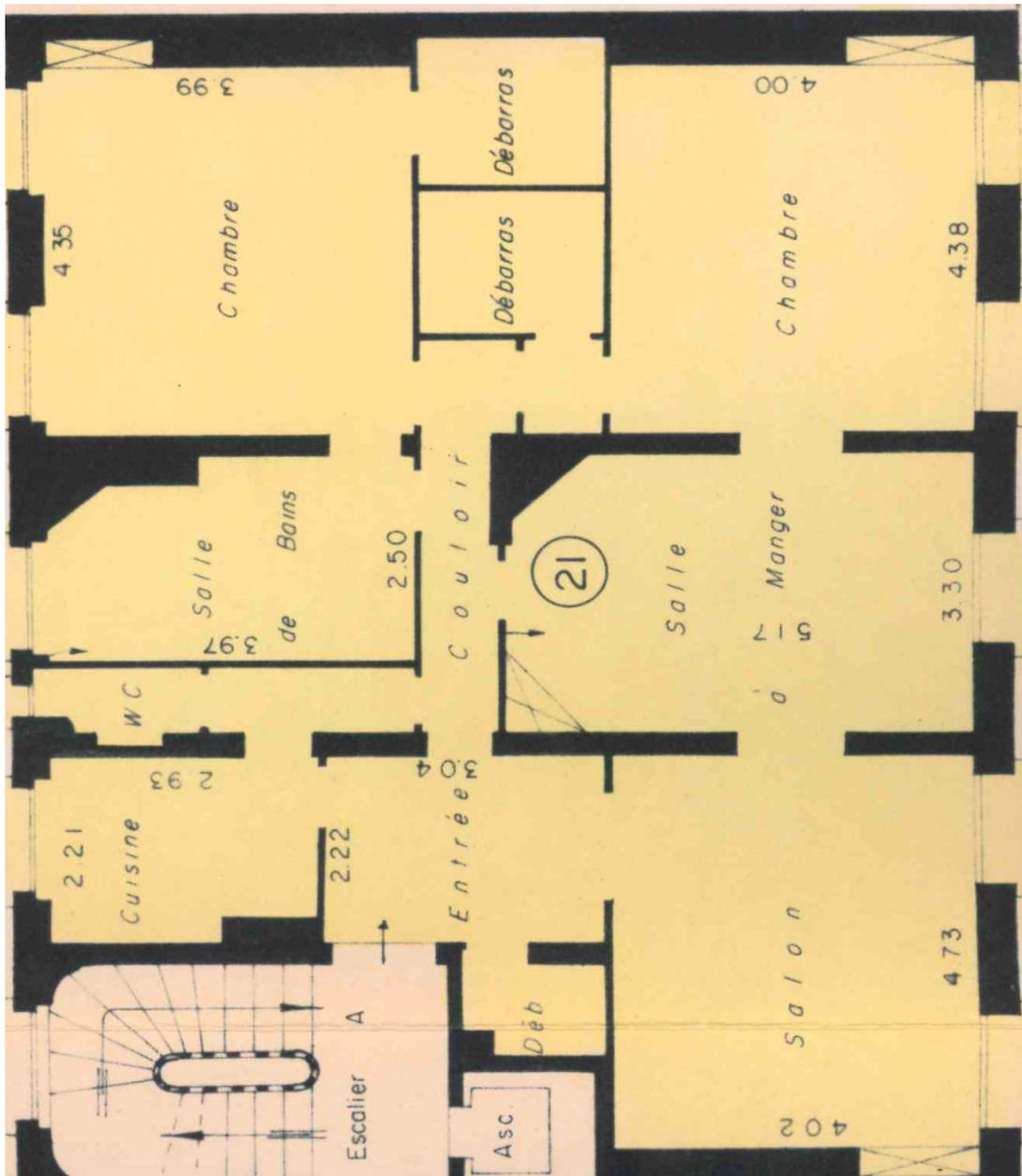
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Agence de voyage begins its journey with show and tell. Three open cupboards spill their contents into the rooms, the closets are no longer repressed. What is hidden and stored behind closed closet doors, integrated into the moldings, comes to light. The secret workings of the domestic household, stowed away for the sake of presentation, a late petit bourgeois pastiche of court society, infiltrate the rooms. Paratextual innards of the exhibition, the editorial projects of EEASP, Royal Book Lodge and After 8, fuel mental engines and power journeys of thought and affect, of longing and desire.

The artworks themselves connect through the apartment quarters like posters on the wall of a travel agency of old, allowing for the traveler's imagination to explore the fantasy of the destination. These places travelled range from deserted planets in the paintings of Philipp Schwalb to metropolitan construction sites in the works of Jean-Luc Blanc, to the blue mysteries of old civilizations in pieces by Chloé Quenum. Passages en enfilade link the three rooms and blur the boundaries of space and time, crossing through ages of innocence. Within the walls of Agence de voyage, so inclined visitors might be able to read their own Bildungsroman or durably engage in conversation with fellow travelers.

Out on the street, as one leaves the agency, one might be even a bit more attentive to the displays of displacement of the outside world.

Stephan Steiner



Salon

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Salle à Manger

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Chambre

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