Antoine Rameau's Visual Voyages at Karin Weber Gallery, Hong Kong

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As a French artist whose been living in Hong Kong for seven years, it's not surprising to hear that traveling is extremely important to Antoine Rameau's creative process. The artist's 20th exhibition at the Karin Weber Gallery is currently underway, which features images collected during Rameau's travels assembled into mesmerizing collages. "VOYAGES" showcases these rich collage works until May 13, 2018.

About Rameau's practice, the gallery says, "collecting, in several countries, evocative images of mixed origins he turned them into his new visual worlds, as draft tributes to the beauty and magic of our planet and its people."

Rameau was born in 1974. He is a French mixed-media artist who has been living in Hong Kong for the last seven years. According to the gallery, Rameau has been "inspired by an eclectic range of sources including landscape photography, comics, Pop Art, Street Art and the Recycled Art movement, he started experimenting with collage early on." The gallery goes on to say that Rameau's creations "draw from a singular combination of vintage photographs, old maps and charts, newspapers and comics."

Antoine Rameau's works are entirely hand-made which gives them an added charm. All of the images on display are developed by creating pictures and papers that are then cut and systematically transformed before they are finally glued together. This way the ensemble of the artist's works together create a unique and complex product. The works and the installations are meticulous and focus on the "recycling" process. The artist loves the idea of "giving photos a true second-life."

For Antoine Rameau this idea of allowing his works a second chance has become an integral part of Antoine Rameau's shows and has helped in developing a new visual creation. "Sometimes, pictures that I mixed have absolutely nothing in common but I amazingly feel they were meant to be assembled together," he says.

As the gallery says, "each collage tells an overview story filled with multiple symbols, historical and mythological references or messages, which viewers can interpret based on their own experiences."

The exhibition "VOYAGES" by Antoine Rameau will be on view through May 13, 2018, at Karin Weber Gallery, Hong Kong, 20 Aberdeen Street, Central, Hong Kong.

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