

KAARI UPSON HOLE

Massimo De Carlo gallery is proud to present *Hole*, a new exhibition by the American artist Kaari Upson. In her practice Upson has investigated and reflected upon the notions of propriety and displacement, voyeurism and exhibitionism.

The ground floor of the exhibition is intended as a further exploration of a key topic of Upson's work: domesticity. The works on show are casts of every day household objects such as sofas and dustbins: each object has been casts a number of times, and each time it is cast it appearance becomes more dishevelled and uncanny.

By documenting the metamorphosis of these items from familiar domestic objects to unfamiliar Upson highlights the connection between object-hood and the life story of each of us viewers, as if questioning our journey into decay.

Moreover, transformation is key in the new body of work presented by Kaari Upson on the lower ground floor of the gallery. Here, as in her notorious *Larry Project*, Upson was drawn to a figure which becomes a new vessel and medium that allows her to explore an array of topics. In this new series the artist, through the repetitive depiction, on wallpaper and on canvas, of Angelina Jolie's famous pout investigates bodily changes and femininity: Jolie is intended here as a public persona whom embodies the media documented journey from sinner to saint, from bad girl to perfect mother and advocate of humanitarian causes.

The sculptures, abstract portraits of Angelina Jolie, touch on a more delicate subject: the holes in the boards represent the female organs of Jolie's that had been speculated about in the media. The melancholic emptiness of these holes is requited by the strong metal-like appearance of the sculpture itself where the female body reads as a caryatid, sustaining the weight of its own changes.

Hole is an introspective journey into the lives of our bodies and our possession, that each of us can relate to: Upson, through her work, questions the journey in itself but also helps us look for the difference between the hole and the whole.

Hard Facts:

Massimo De Carlo, London 55 South Audley Street London W1K 2QH From May 29th, 2015 until July 18th 2015 Open Tuesday to Saturday, 10:00am – 6.00pm

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FIRE IN THE HOLE ABYSS **OPENING** SPLIT TEAR VENT A small unpleasant place a positive from which an electron is absent An awkward situation Fox hole Holes in your sock Moth hole Burn holes in couch Good hole in head Bad hole in head Hole in your heart Staring down on a valley from my million dollar home in the hills. **PSYCHIC HOLE** Staring at the sun till I am blind. TOAD IN HOLE There will always be a moon. Piercing a hole in your skin Debt. If anyone asks YOU ARE NOT MY DAUGHTER AIRPORT CAVITY SEARCH Puddle Drug addiction All your money to support your addiction Waiting for the bus that isn't coming on PCH HIDEY HOLE He doesn't love you **BLACK HOLE SUN** She doesn't love you. FUZZY HAPPLY HOLE Hole in the bucket THE HOLES EDGE Imaginary triple hole TERMITEHOLE Dick hole MAGIE HOLE **Empty** A HOLE IN THE IMAGNARY Trail HOLE PLAY PENCIL UP NOSE Trench A FALSE HOLE Tube "TRUE HOLE" THE PAIN OF BEING TWO Endless NEEDLE HOLE No Outcome EYE OF A NEEDLE No Way Out Vagina dent tada PIGEON HOLE CRASH hole lea **BUTTON HOLE** INFORMATION CHOLESTEROL light bulb removed THE FINISHING HOLE the breeze LOOPHOLE dream where all your teeth fall out. HOLEY VAGINA DENTATA POT HOLE dream where a animated green alligator fucks you from behind with his OZONE HOLE A VACUUM DYING STAR "NAVEL" INVISIBLE HOLE INHERTED MOTHERS 3 HOLE PUNCH. TRAP NEED LIKE A HOLE IN THE HEAD THE HOLE OF THE MIND PORE HOLE OF BORDERLINE ENTITLEMENT CORN HOLE EARHOLE HOLE IN A HOLE MONEY THAT BURNS HOLE IN POCKET PEEP HOLE (w) hole GOPHER HOLE 9 HOLES HOLLOW LA CUNA Covered holes CONCEAL THE HOLES LEAK closed hole HOLES THAT AREN'T THERE **PUNCUTRE** POST HOLE HOLE SEARCH MAN HOLE 19TH HOLE CAVITY CHASM CAVE DEPRESSION EXCAVA **BUNG HOLE** DRAIN HOLE ASS FROM A HOLE IN THE HEAD STUCK IN A HOLE JACKSON HOLE PIE HOLE STIGMATA HOLE GLORY HOLE SINK HOLE ASSHOLE

PICK HOLES IN

SHOT FULL OF HOLES

SQUARE PEG IN A ROUND HOLE

GLORY HOLE

DIG YOURSELF INTO A HOLF

SINK HOLF

dog hit by car. Dent in car. Corn cob eaten. drain Someone peed in the drawer broken pipes puch holes in wall high pressure hose on DIRT CRACKS in the TILE LIES FOOLING ONESELF GRAVE drain you cant put feet on bc it seems too dirty. **FULL OF HOLES** My sister-in-law catherine says the 'mug restaurant' is closed AS OF JUNE 15 TWO HOLED TORUS Remarried. POKE FUN OF THE HOLES finishing hole OUTLET HOLE. KEY HOLE Repressed hole in memory TAM NOT COMING OUT" RACTURED Black Hole, BLACK OUT UNBARREL COME APART BUST IN Bullet hole Butt hole INTERFERE WITH Shit hole Ass hole QUICKSAND DISRUPT HOLED Dick hole glory hole Worm Hole sink hole UNSHUT ... VOID BULLET HOLE BLACK HOLE SHIT HOLE DICK HOLE WORM HOLE SPENCE FIST HOLE GAP AN ACTION A HOLE GIGGLE HOLE PICK HOLES IN HOLE PUNCH CAN'T SEE A HOLE IN A LADDER white dirt hole in paper HOLED PUKE HOLE UNSHUT PIN HOLE HOLE IN ARGUMENT DRILL HOLE AN ACE TO A HOLE GAP 5.99 KNOT-HOLE toilet NOT HOLE nail hole CRAP HOLE instagram true hole cumdumpster fire in the hole watering hole DONUT HOLE full of holes Open Sore This wound would heal if I only stopped picking at it In the whole Put it in a hole Footprint Ace in the hole Blinded by the brightness of Snow or Sand hole in one Can't escape my own shadow hole up Roof that has a leak A-HOLE Coal mine, gold mine, money pit Fuck hole Shit hole The hole hole in the pocket Tweaker pad Watering hole hole digger hole and corner Alcoholism Having children, life is never the same cubby hole blowhole SQUARE HOLE porthole WORD HOLE HELL HOLE TRIPLE PLAY mouse hole ALL HOLE rat hole PLUGGED HOLE rabbit hole weed removed from ground. swiss cheese