

PRESS RELEASE

The Pulsating Earth, a solo show by Atsuko Nakamura
15th September – 19th November 2011



Image: The Pulsating Earth 2011. Atsuko Nakamura preparing her exhibition at La Caja Blanca

La Caja Blanca presents the first solo exhibition by the Japanese artist, Atsuko Nakamura (1982), *“The Pulsating Earth”*. Her exhibition is composed of four original pieces, which have been conceived and developed during her residency with La Caja Blanca (Palma de Mallorca) and a sound installation created weeks before her arrival to the island in 2011.

Nakamura’s family roots are steeped in Japanese tradition, which includes the traditional art of making Kimonos “Yuzen”. As a natural result, her childhood was heavily influenced by the arts and Japanese tradition, not least by Japanese spirituality and profound respect for Nature. The intimate relationship between nature and mankind, the thin curtain which separates life and death, the wisdom of our ancestors are recurring themes in her work which invite the viewer to reflect introspectively. She began her career as an architect, studying at the Musashino university in Tokyo. After her graduation, she practised as an architect whilst specialising in the traditional art of “Ikebana”, one of the most respected ancient tea ceremonies. She is also a specialist in Kendo, a martial art derived from the Samurai culture.

The scent of forest fire and the reverberations of her heartbeat invade the exhibition hall, awakening the primitive instincts of every caller.

DATE OF INAUGURATION: 15th September, 20.00 hrs **LOCATION:** Calle Can Verí 9, Palma de Mallorca 07001

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