TEIJI HAYAMA

MILLION EYES

ALLOUCHE GALLERY NEW YORK Opening Reception: January 16, 2025 Born and raised in Kumamoto, Japan, Hayama graduated from Central Saint Martins College of Art and Design in London in 1998 and now lives and works in Giffers, Switzerland. Teiji Hayama's practice centers on transformation: he distorts and redefines iconic pop culture figures—Marilyn Monroe, Twiggy, and Wonder Woman—rendering them uncanny, layered, and branded.

In Million Eyes, Hayama's figures are vibrant yet detached, glamorous yet weary—a poignant commentary on the relentless visibility of the digital era. His meticulous artistic process begins digitally, where he manipulates his subjects, after which he paints the result onto canvas in painstaking detail. In doing so, Hayama interrogates themes of replication and authenticity in the digital age; it is both an homage to the digital age and a rebellion against it.

Rendered in vivid primary colors or stark black and white, his paintings evoke both beauty and exhaustion, presenting icons trapped in a state of perpetual reproduction. Drawing from the legacy of Andy Warhol's screen prints and modern influencer culture, Hayama reimagines the aura of his figures in an era of mass consumption and virality, offering a powerful meditation on the relationship between production, value, and authenticity in the digital age.



Teiji Hayama The Helmet, 2024 Oil on canvas 69 x 55 inches



Teiji Hayama Hat Stand, 2024 Oil on canvas 63 x 47 inches



Teiji Hayama Wonder, 2024 Oil on canvas 59.25 x 41.5 inches



Teiji Hayama Disco Marylin, 2024 Oil on canvas 57.25 x 43.5 inches



Teiji Hayama Spacegun Marylin, 2024 Oil on canvas 53.25 x 33.25 inches



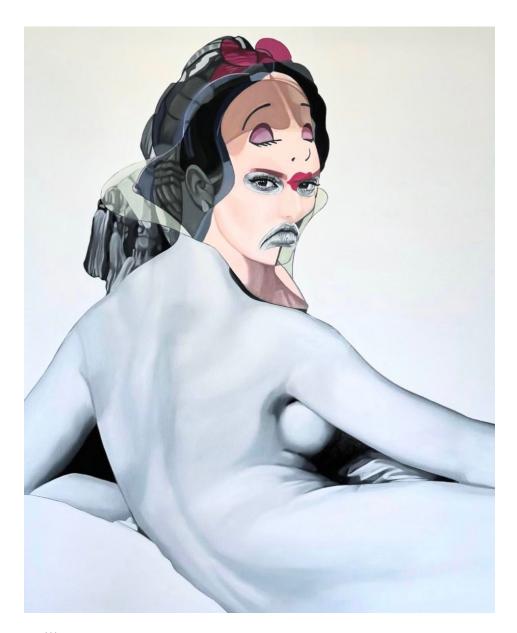
Teiji Hayama Coke Heads, 2024 Oil on canvas 52.25 x 35.5 inches



Teiji Hayama 3 Robots, 2024 Oil on canvas 39.5 x 47.5 inches



Teiji Hayama Comic Biker, 2024 Oil on canvas 53.25 x 31.5 inches



Teiji Hayama The Bath, 2024 Oil on canvas 43.5 x 35.5 inches



Teiji Hayama Cola Nurse, 2024 Oil on canvas 47.5 x 29 inches



Teiji Hayama The Necklace, 2024 Oil on canvas 43.5 x 30.5 inches



Teiji Hayama 3 Emotions II, 2024 Oil on canvas 41.5 x 29.5 inches



Teiji Hayama Triple Marylin, 2024 Oil on canvas 27.75 x 23.75 inches