John Bock

Im Schatten der Made (In the Shadow of the Maggot) June 30 – August 12, 2011

Im Schatten der Made (In the Shadow of the Maggot), 2010, 74:16 minutes
Written and directed by John Bock.

With: John Bock, Matti Isan Blind, Heiner Franzen, Friederike Kempter, Adrian Lohmueller, Linnart

Schneider.

Camera: Rene Gorski Music: Richard Siedhoff

Produced by John Bock, Anton Kern Gallery, Museum Tinguely & Universal Museum Graz.



Styled after 1920s German Expressionist films, *Im Schatten der Made* (*In the Shadow of the Maggot*) tells the story of an artificial creature, an automaton that is created from biological materials and resembles a human. For falling in love with a human, the android is brutally punished and destroyed, while his human lover Merle is incarcerated and humiliated. In great secrecy, Merle attempts to recreate her lover's body out of saliva and bread with surprising consequences...

To preview: http://www.antonkerngallery.com/video/bock2011.html

Bock's work has been exhibited widely including in solo shows at the Barbican Art Gallery, London; Temporäre Kunsthalle, Berlin; CAC Malaga (all 2010); Arko Art Center, Seoul, Korea; REDCAT, Los Angeles (both 2008), Schirn Kunsthalle, Frankfurt (2007); State Opera, Berlin (2006); FRAC, Marseille (2005); the ICA London (2004); and the Museum of Modern Art, New York (2000); as well as participations in *Luminous Interval*, Guggenheim, Bilbao; 8 1/2: Thirteen artists celebrating the 100th anniversary of Trussardi, Fondazione Nicola Trussardi, Milan (both 2011); *Imaginary Museum: Dakis Joannou Collection*, New Museum, New York (2010); *Biennale di Venezia*; the *Lyon Biennial* (both 2005); the *Carnegie International* (2004); *Documenta 11* (2002); and the *Yokohama Triennale* (2001).

The exhibition opens on Thursday, June 30 at 6 pm and will continue through Friday, August 12, 2011. The gallery's summer hours are Monday through Friday, 10 am - 6 pm. For further details on the artist and the work, as well as for more images, please contact Anton Kern Gallery at (t) 212.367.9663 or email: info@antonkerngallery.com.

Upcoming exhibitions: Lothar Hempel (September 9 – October 22, 2011)