

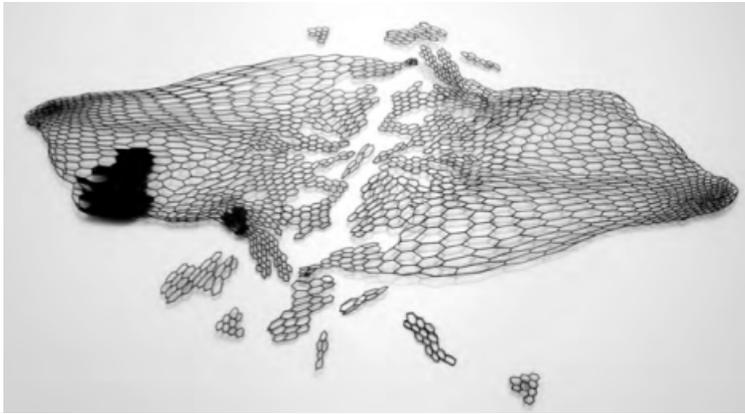
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## 'MICROGRAPHIA' MARIA GARCIA-IBÁÑEZ | CAT STREET GALLERY & PUERTA ROJA

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Micrographia Maria Garcia-Ibáñez

20th February – 17 March 2013 at Puerta Roja and The Cat Street Gallery concurrently

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*Micrographia* is the new exhibition of María García-Ibáñez's latest works and the first collaboration between Puerta Roja and The Cat Street Gallery in Hong Kong.

García-Ibáñez, a highly sought after Spanish young artist currently working in Mexico, already has works in international institutions and private collections alike, and is returning to Hong Kong for her second solo exhibition in Asia. With her career on a stratospheric trajectory,

García-Ibáñez latest body of work is a truly exciting early look at a star on the rise.

*Micrographia* takes its name from the 1665 book by scientist and artist, Robert Hooke. A compilation of his own illustrations of some of the first microscopic observations of natural elements such as snow, ice and fossils brought a wealth of scientific data but also opened a fantastic miniature world to the public. Its magnificent illustrations were far more than careful observations, this book was one of the first fruits of science to strike deep into the non-scientific imagination of the public. With a deep sense of how science, philosophy and the arts can converge, Hooke revolutionised a new way of “seeing things”.

Through her elegant drawings on paper and ceramic sculptures, Maria searches, as Hooke did, a different perspective in the understanding of our environment, of “seeing” the elements and structures that surround us through a different light, and in this journey revealing their otherwise hidden beauty. Drawings and tri-dimensional forms, maquettes, membranes, all represent structures that both multiply and are dissected through the microscope of their own graphic language and defy our perception of scale and matter.

*Micrographia* will be exhibited concurrently at:

Puerta Roja, Private Latin Art Space, 15 New Street, Sheung Wan,  
Hong Kong T: +852 2803 0332 F: +852 2522 9016 [www.puerta-roja.com](http://www.puerta-roja.com)

And at:

The Cat Street Gallery, 222 Hollywood Road, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong  
T: +852 2291 0006 F: +852 2544 6110 [www.thecatstreetgallery.com](http://www.thecatstreetgallery.com)

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