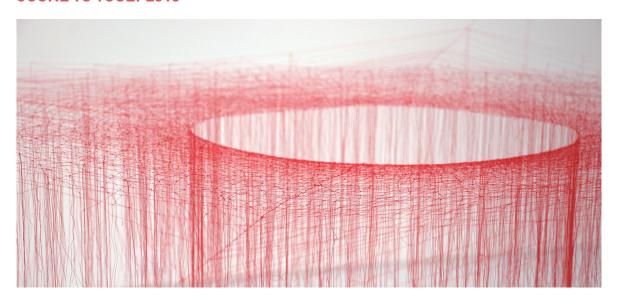
## **EXHIBITION**

# **AKIKO IKEUCHI**

# SILK THREAD INSTALLATIONS

**6 JUNE TO 1 JULY 2016** 



#### THE JAPAN FOUNDATION GALLERY

LEVEL 4 CENTRAL PARK, 28 BROADWAY, CHIPPENDALE 2008 (ACCESS VIA LIFTS)

## **FREE ADMISSION**

For over two decades Tokyo artist Akiko Ikeuchi has transformed silk thread into ethereal installations suspended midair. Enlivened by the play of light and shadow, softly illuminated thread appears weightless and intangible.

Tying a network of thousands of interconnecting knots, lkeuchi delicately maps time through her process of repetition. With patience and skill, the silk thread is metamorphosed into extremely fine sculptures that can take up to two years to complete.

Akiko's sculptures and etchings collapse boundaries between microcosm and macrocosm 'to mediate something invisible, not easily visible to this world'. The silk thread captures subtle vibrations made from breath and movement in the surrounding gallery space.

For her first solo exhibition in Australia, Ikeuchi will display intricate drawings and etchings that resemble microscopic patterns and infinite fractal nets complimenting the architecture of her installations. Through a fusion of silk, air and light this exhibition traces subtle shifts in perspective, from visible to invisible, material to ephemeral.

Curated by Phoebe Rathmell. Supported by Yuko Kuroda (gallery21yo-j) and Chiaki Kayama (Edition Works).

#### **GALLERY HOURS**

Mon-Fri: 10am-6pm Select Sat (11, 18, 25 June): 10am-3pm Closed Sundays and Public Holidays (13 June)

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