唐娜・胡安卡的身体剧场 Be a Body: Donna Huanca's Body Theater

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身体和物件在年轻的美国艺术家唐娜·胡安卡的创作中呈现 出一种微妙的平衡——两者不再是二元对立的元素而体现出一种 同一性。服饰和布料是胡安卡的架上和雕塑作品的主要材料,也是 她美学创作的重要灵感来源。从小时候开始便和家人在芝加哥各 个旧货店搜集二手衣的胡安卡相信衣物本身承载的能量和主体经 验。这些为人体穿戴的功能性产物在胡安卡的创作中不只是扮演 身体的延伸,同时被赈予了活物的属性。而现场模特的表演也进 一步强化了这一活性。胡安卡的物件,作为对身体的形式指代,与 现场表演的模特共同构成了一个身体剧场。然而这一剧场中并没 有演员和道具的严格区分,他们由相同的美学语言统一:模特身体 上的彩绘、饰品和衣物往往直接呼应展览中的物件,她们的身体形 同胡安卡的画布,而承载胡安卡的物件的空间亦是一个个隐形的 身体。

在胡安卡的身体剧场中,可以注意到艺术家对舞台的空间布局 和局部构图的处理源于她以往绘画创作的经验,在表演方面,她不 编排而是通过环境引导模特自觉地去感受并与物件互动。对于胡安 卡来说,身体剧场的二维画面与实际空间都是她的视觉传达,其中 的语言既是开放的也是直觉性的,对于表演类型的作品,我们通常 警惕于通过杂志或网络的二维平面的观看,担心表演的现场性在 其中消泯。胡安卡的实践却恰好提供了一个背道而驰的待例。赖非

There is a delicate equilibrium between bodies and inanimate objects in American artist Donna Huanca's work. Clothing and textiles make up much of her painting and sculpture, and are also a key source of inspiration. Growing up in Chicago, Huanca started collecting secondhand clothing from thrift stores and garage sales at a young age. She believes that clothes carry energy and emotional effect: these retail anthropological artifacts, made to cover the body, are more than just human extensions. They are bestowed a liveness of their own, which is further enhanced by live performance. Models' actual bodies and phantoms embodied by Huanca's objects together create a theater of the body. There is no clear distinction between actors and props, as everything on stage is unified by the same aesthetic language. Models' body paint, accessories, and clothing often directly correspond to the objects on view-Huanca's canvas-while the spaces her objects occupy become invisible bodies.

The spatial arrangement of Huanca's body theater reflects a painter's compositional sensibility. Her models' performance, however, is not a result of precise choreography, but rather an intuitive understanding of the artist's environment. While performance often makes viewers wary of the two-dimensional viewing experience of a magazine page or web browser, Huanca's experiments are a noteworthy exception to this rule. Lai Fei (Translated by Frank Qian)

