# Yuika Solo Exhibition Family plan NEO

Dates: 12th May Fri – 3rd Jun Sat, 2023

Opening Reception: 13th May Sat 16:00-19:00 (No reservation required)



Family plan NEO Painted by Yuika, Designed by Jun Osato 2023, Ink on paper, computer graphics, variable size

AMMON TOKYO is pleased to present Yuika's solo exhibition "Family plan NEO" from 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Fri. Yuika is currently enrolled in the Department of Oil Painting, Faculty of Fine Arts, Tokyo University of the Arts, and addresses the problems of modern society in a sublimated fashion throughout her artwork. The exhibition will consist of a series of her works, produced in various mediums, including video, poetry and painting, on the main themes of 'urban solitude' and 'family', which have been her main focus in recent years. We sincerely look forward to seeing you at our gallery.

#### ARTIST STATEMENT

As a hunter-gatherer spanning across media, I create drawings and poetry as my main form of expression. Growing up surrounded by a variety of information without any absolute faith or ideology, we have learned to adapt my personality according to different situations in daily life, while also fearing deep involvement with others. However, despite this fear, we desire a sense of lively existence and found that abnormal sex, drug use, and other similar means can fulfill this desire. My artistic practice is therefore part of this same series. However, while the exaltation and togetherness that come with deviant behavior may be temporary and can actually amplify social isolation, artistic practices have the potential to more fully and sustainably achieve the goal of liberation from the pain of loneliness and the restoration of a vivid sense of self. The word "Family" in the exhibition title is used as an allegory, representing the inner emptiness that many individuals living in cities share, as well as a symbol of a sustainable togetherness.

Each of my artworks is more like a sketch or plan rather than a finished piece with a particular style. Through the exhibition "Family Plan NEO" I aim to use the process of trial and error that is inherent in artistic creation as a single result to create a disorienting exhibition space that reveals the difficult situation we find ourselves in, the conflicts that result from it, and to foster synchronicity with the viewers.



### **PROFILE**

## Yuika

Yuika is a painter and poet born in 2001. She was born in Kyushu and currently resides in Tokyo. Her artistic practice involves exploring and reflecting on social issues such as human rights, gender, and vigilante justice in the midst of a diverse media environment. She engages in artistic practices as a means of self-exploration and reflection on contemporary society. In recent years, she has focused on the theme of "urban loneliness", exploring experimental forms of expression across various media, including novels, computer graphics, and performances using her own body and those of her friends. Exhibitions include "BLISSFUL ABODE (Taito-ku, haco)", "point de depart Starting point for 13 current Tokyo University of the Arts students (Chiyoda-ku, Bumpodo Gallery)" and "3331 ART FAIR 2022 (Chiyoda-ku, 3331 arts chiyoda)". She is currently enrolled in the Department of Fine Arts; Oil Painting at Tokyo University of the Arts.

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