

Press Release April 2025

Barcelona, April 12, 2025 – Loop Barcelona, the platform dedicated to video and moving images, is delighted to share updates on its upcoming projects for this year, including the launch of Loop Lab Busan in South Korea and the upcoming edition of Loop Barcelona 2025.

Loop Lab Busan is a new encounter dedicated to artists' video and media art, taking place in South Korea from April 23 to 26, 2025. Based on Loop Barcelona's pioneering model—blending a festival, fair, and forum—this initiative is organized in collaboration with A-Fluxion, the Busan Museum of Art, and Busan Metropolitan City.

Set against the backdrop of Busan's dynamic fusion of arts, culture, and technology, Loop Lab Busan embodies the city's innovative and creative spirit. This new initiative seeks to nurture a thriving local and regional art community, foster meaningful international connections, and strengthen Busan's position as a key hub for the future of contemporary art in Asia.

Loop Lab Busan Fair will be held from April 24 to 26 at the **Grand Josun Busan Hotel**, featuring a carefully curated selection of 25 international and local galleries. The fair will present a compelling international panorama of contemporary creation, showcasing works that range from artists' videos and films to broader expressions of digital and media art—highlighting experimentation, storytelling, new technologies, and cross-cultural perspectives.

Pioneers in expanded and intermedia art, such as the late Italian-American artist **Aldo Tambellini** (Topos Studio, Seoul) or the Korean-American painter **Jin Meyerson** (Perrotin, Paris & multiple locations), are presented alongside acclaimed contemporary media artists such as **Cemile Sahin** (Esther Schipper, Berlin) and **Rachel Rossin** (Rhizome, New York), as well as established figures in the digital realm, such as **Refik Anadol** (Pilevneli, Istanbul) and **MAOTIK** (TAEX, London).

The fair also features prominent names from the European moving image scene, such as the Irish artist **Clare Langan** (Anita Beckers, Frankfurt), Turkish artist **Erkan Özgen** (Galerie Zink, Seubersdorf), and Portuguese artist **Jonathan Uliel Saldanha** (Duarte Sequeira, Braga), whose practices expand on themes of memory, landscape, and sonic exploration while intersecting video, film and installation and crossing disciplines and formats.

A special selection of galleries from Catalonia reinforces the cultural ties between the sister cities of Busan and Barcelona. These galleries bring to Busan a generation of artists working at the intersection of video, film, performance, and new media, including the widely awarded and provocative Catalan filmmaker **Albert Serra** (Mayoral), emerging experimental filmmaker **Valentina Alvarado Matos** (FUGA), established performance artist **Cecilia Bengolea** (àngels barcelona), and rising digital studio **Six N. Five** (Load Gallery). Additional contributions from the European and Catalan scene include a premiere by Italian artist **Giovanni Ozzola** (Suburbia Contemporary), and recent works by **Xavi Bou** (galería SENDA) and **Suwon Lee** (Sorondo Projects).

Loop Lab Busan also focuses on the work of artists working across Southeast Asia, with contributions from both Korean and regional galleries—and beyond. From the Korean scene, the program features **Kim Woong Hyun** (Gallery 2, Seoul), **Seo Young Chang** (Amado Art Space, Seoul), **Lee Bae** (Johyun Gallery, Busan/Seoul), **Lee Woongcheol** (Ingahee Gallery, Seoul), and **Lee Lee Nam** (H ART (ATO), Seoul). These are presented alongside international voices such as **Yuki Okumura** (MISAKO & ROSEN, Tokyo), **Chen Qiulin** (A Thousand Plateaus Art Space, Chengdu), and **Truong Cong Tung** (Galerie Bao, Paris), each contributing distinct regional and conceptual perspectives.

In parallel with the Fair, **Loop Lab Busan Exhibition** will unfold across more than 23 presentations in artistic and cultural venues throughout the city, continuing through June. Meanwhile, the **Loop Lab Busan Forum**, held from **April 23 to 26**, will bring together international voices for the Future Museum and Asia Curators debate programs.

Attached below is the list of participating artists and their works to be featured at Loop Lab Busan Fair.

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The 23rd edition of **Loop Fair** will take place from **November 18 to 20, 2025**, at the Almanac Hotel, once again turning Barcelona into the heart of moving images.

This year, a new Artistic Direction will take the reins of Loop Festival, bringing it closer to the Fair, Symposium and other Loop Barcelona initiatives, while reinforcing Loop's presence and commitment to Barcelona, its audiences, agents, and institutions. Loop Festival will unfold across the city from November 10 to 20, 2025, bringing together leading international presences and voices for an immersive reflection on contemporary moving image practices. The Artistic Direction will be announced in the days to come.

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Loop Lab Busan

Participating artists and galleries

List of artworks

Valentina Alvarado Matos

arrojalatierra, 2021 Super8-HD/Digital5.1, sound, 13min 48sec Presented by **FUGA**, Barcelona

Refik Anadol

Machine Hallucinations – LNM: Fauna, 2024 Al data painting diptych, quadrophonic, 16min Presented by **Pilevneli**, Istambul

Cecilia Bengolea

Lighting Dance, 2018 Video, B&W, sound, 6min 30sec Presented by **àngels barcelona**, Barcelona

Xavi Bou

Tous les oiseaux du monde, 2022 HD sound & color, 5min 13sec Presented by **galería SENDA**, Barcelona

Chen Qiulin

The Empty City, 2012 Seven-screen video, color, sound, 93min 92sec Presented by **A Thousand Plateaus Art Space**, Chengdu

Kim Woong Hyun

Drmng, 2025 Video, color, sound, 7min Presented by **Gallery 2**, Seoul

Clare Langan

The Heart of a Tree, 2020 HD video, sound, 12min Presented by **Anita Beckers**, Frankfurt

Lee Bae

Burning, 2024 Video, 7min 4sec Presented by **Johyun Gallery**, Busan

Lee Lee Nam

Kim Hong Do – Painting of Bamboo, 2013 LED TV, single-channel video, color, sound, 6min 9sec Presented by **H ART (ATO)**, Seoul

Suwon Lee

Dictée/Exilée, 2024 Single-channel video, stereo sound, 24min 56sec Presented by **Sorondo Projects**, Barcelona

Lee Woongcheol

Perspective, 2023 Single-channel video, 5min Presented by **Ingahee Gallery**, Seoul

MAOTIK

Flow, 2025 Video, 2min Presented by **TAEX**, London

Jin Meyerson

Once in a Lifetime, 1997-2024 Immersive video installation, 29min Presented by **Perrotin**, Paris & multiple locations

Yuki Okumura

Wilhelm as Hauptraum, 2024–25 HD video, 22min 34sec Presented by MISAKO & ROSEN, Tokyo

Erkan Özgen

Living Pits, 2024 Single-channel HD video, color, sound, 6min Presented by **Galerie Zink**, Seubersdorf, DE

Giovanni Ozzola

Temporary structure, 2025 Single-channel video, loop, stereo sound, 7min Presented by **Suburbia Contemporary**, Barcelona

Rachel Rossin

I'm my loving memory, 2020 UV-printed plexiglass, AR application Presented by **Rhizome**, New York

Cemile Sahin

ROAD RUNNER, 2025 Video, single-channel, color/sound, 15min 15sec Presented by **Esther Schipper**, Berlin

Jonathan Uliel Saldanha

After the Law, 2020 Video, 27min Presented by **Duarte Sequeira**, Braga

Seo Young Chang

Veil, 2023 Single-channel video, 10min Presented by **Amado Art Space**, Seoul

Albert Serra

Roi Soleil, 2018 Film, 62min Presented by **Mayoral**, Barcelona

Six N. Five

Species, 2023–2024 3D animation, 1min 55sec Presented by **Load Gallery**, Barcelona

Aldo Tambellini

We are the primitives of a new era, 2022 Unreal Engine & Maya, 10min Presented by **Topos Studio**, Seoul

Truong Cong Tung

The Disoriented Garden..., a Breath of Dream..., 2023–ongoing Single-channel video, 69min Presented by **Galerie Bao**, Paris

Jun-Jieh Wang

FACE/TV, 1989
Single-channel video, color, stereo sound, 13min 7sec
Presented by Chi-Wen Gallery, Taipei