Title: Up Against Down

Date: 2008

Media: Video/sound installation (single-channel or six-channel versions)

Video Link:
Description:

Installation with six projections:

Six video projectors, amplified speakers, six DVD players and six DVDs (color; stereo sound)

Edition of two and one artist’s proof

As six individual works (face; back/torso; right hand; left hand; right foot; left foot):

One video projector or one 45-inch (or larger) 16:9 format LCD monitor with amplified speakers, one DVD player and one DVD (color; stereo sound)

Edition of two and one artist’s proof

*Up Against Down* consists of a series of projected images of various parts of the artist’s body forcibly pressing or pushing against a seemingly infinite pure black space. Very slight reflections of the body parts are visible, but the depth and composition of the space remain ambiguous. As the body presses against the indefinable surface, multiple low frequency sine waves along with their sub-harmonics are heard, and the changing tension and force of the body’s pressure modulates the waves of sound resembling a kind of shadow of primal drumming.

Spoken Text:

Bibliography:


Gagnon, Jean. “Gary Hill à la recherche de la perte technologique / An Interview with Gary Hill.” *artpress 2: Arts Technologiques - Conservation et Restauration* (February/March/April 2009), pp. 10 – 21 (photo only). (French and English)


*Gary Hill: o lugar sem o tempo / taking time from place.* Rio de Janeiro: Contra Capa Livraria /


**Exhibition History:**

“Gary Hill / It’s Turtles All the Way Down,” in SITU / Fabienne Leclerc, Paris, France, October 25 – December 13, 2008. *(Note: Work was shown as an installation with six projections.)*

Donald Young Gallery at Art Basel Miami Beach, Florida, December 4 – 7, 2008. *(Note: Work was shown as individual images on LCD screens.)*


“Gary Hill: o lugar sem o tempo / taking time from place,” Oi Futuro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, July 20 – September 6, 2009.


Beijing Media Art Biennale, CAFA Art Museum, Beijing, China, September 25 — October 9, 2016

"Gary Hill: Always Rings Twice," WEST, Den Haag, The Netherlands, February 16 – May 13, 2018

**Notes:**