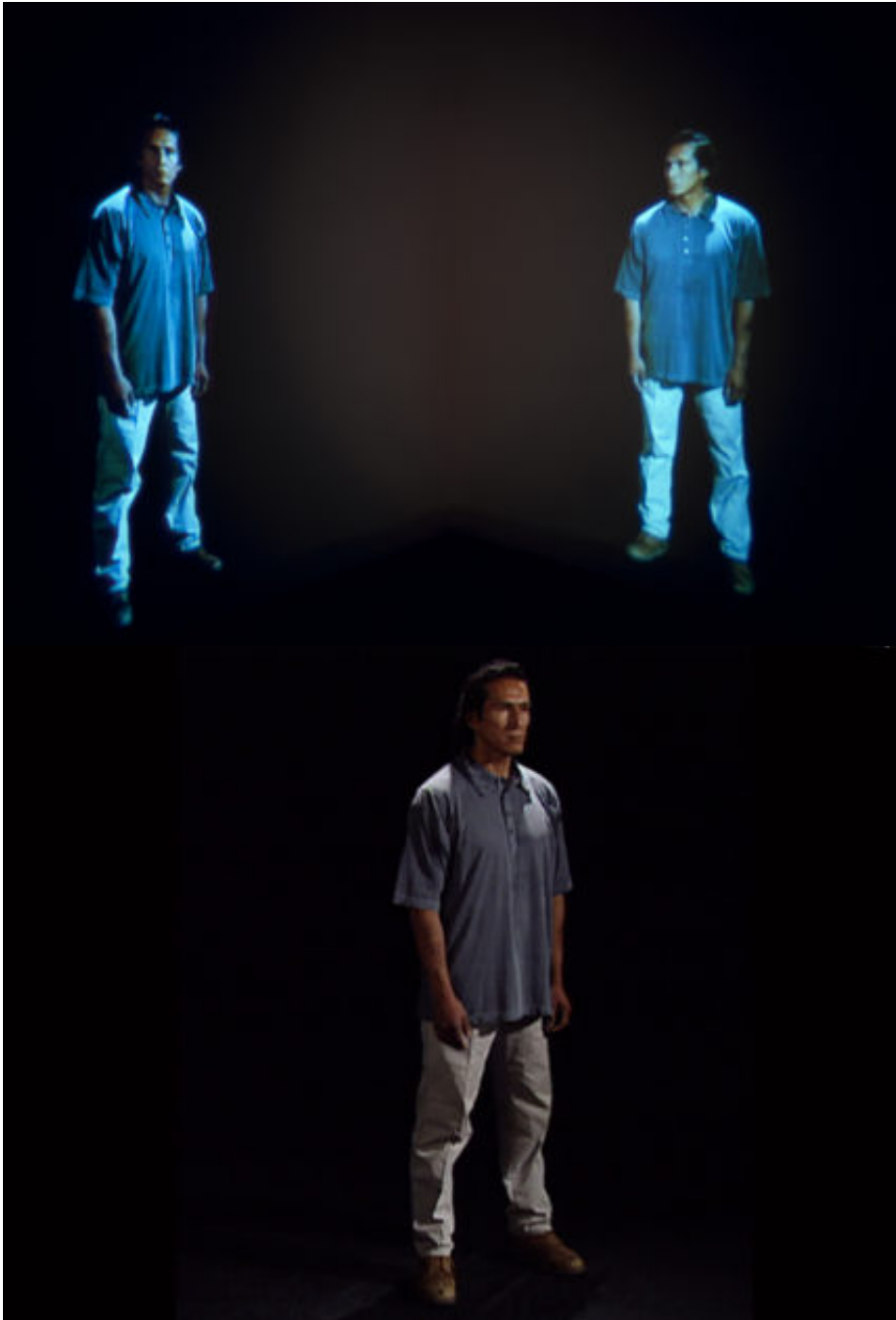
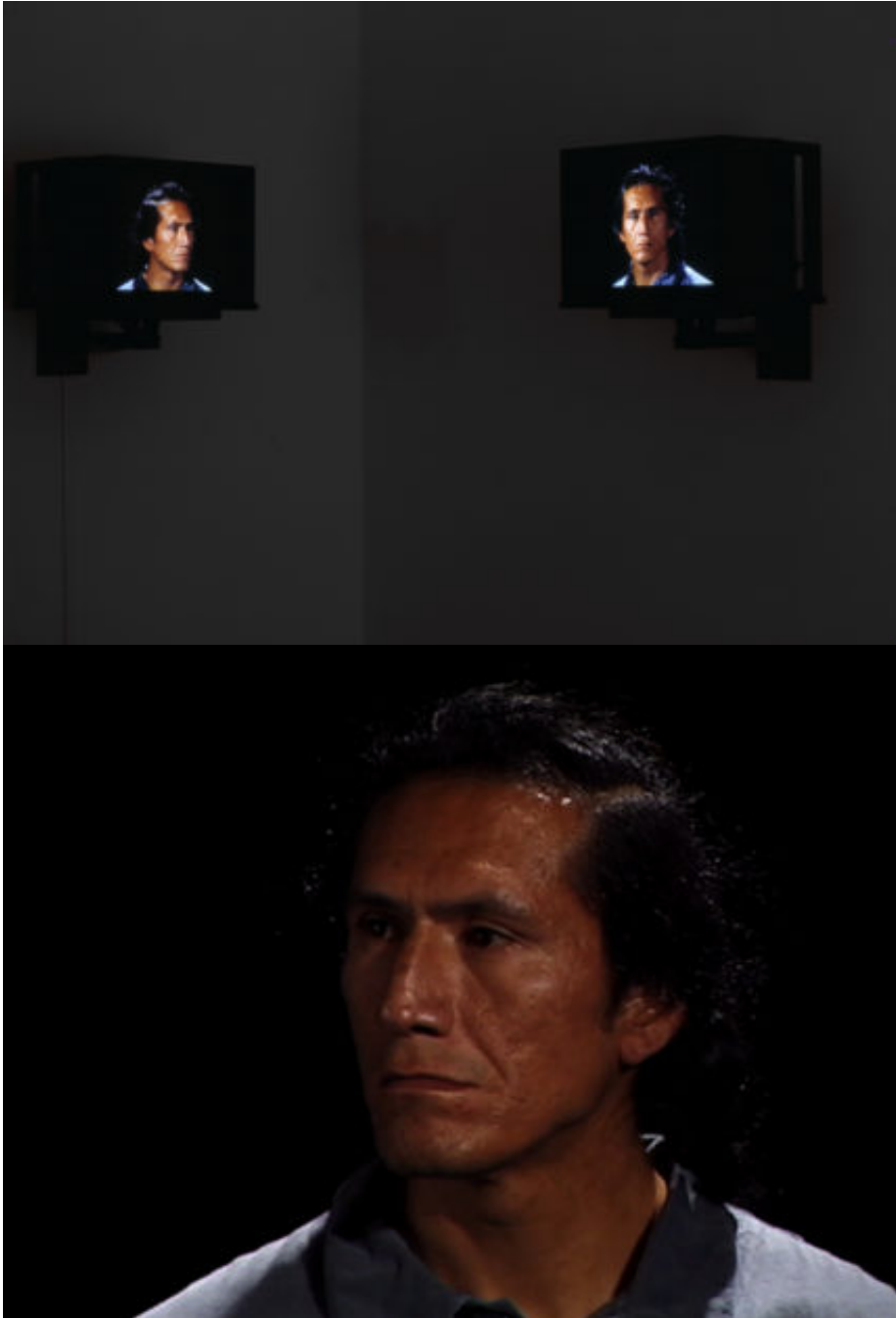

GARY HILL





Title: Standing Apart/Facing Faces

Date: 1996

Media: Four-channel video installation

Description:

Two video projectors, two 20-inch color video monitors, two adjustable monitor wall mounts, four-channel synchronizer, four laserdisc players and four laserdiscs (color; silent)

Dimensions variable

Edition of one

Standing Apart and *Facing Faces* are two linked video works intended to be shown either together as a single installation (positioned at opposite corners of the same room) or as separate works. *Standing Apart* involves two separate, approximately life-size, color images of the same standing man projected onto two adjacent walls. *Facing Faces* involves two close-up video images, shown on two twenty-inch color monitors, of the same man, in a view of his head and shoulders. The two monitors are turned toward each other at an angle slightly greater than ninety degrees.

The video images for both works were recorded simultaneously with four cameras, so that the frontal view of the middle-aged Native American man is actually identical, except for varying focal lengths. In both works the effect is that one figure seems to gaze straight out at the viewer, while the second figure is looking at the first figure. About every two minutes the images switch positions: the second figure now gazes straight out at the viewer, while the first figure gazes at the second. This single change in the angle of the gaze happens once, followed by a return to the original position, and the cycle begins again.

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