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**"Impermanent Instant"  
by Li Jun**

**15 January - 14 February 2014**

**Opening Reception: Tuesday, 14 January 2014, 6:30 - 8:30pm**  
**Artist will be present.**

Venue: Blindspot Gallery (24-26A, Aberdeen Street, Central)

Opening hours: Tuesday to Saturday, 11:00am to 7:00pm

Closed on public holidays



Blindspot Gallery is delighted to present Mainland Chinese artist Li Jun's first solo exhibition in Hong Kong "Impermanent Instant", featuring his photographic series *Impermanent Instant*, winner of the 2013 Three Shadows Photography Award.

The paradoxically named series exemplifies Li's photographic language that evokes the intangible by illuminating its absence. *Impermanent Instant* was shot over the course of three years (2008-2011) after the artist had let the objects in his Chengdu apartment sit and become layered with dust for one year. In tracing the contours left in dust by everyday objects like slippers, vase, remote control and hangers, the photos draw the viewers' focus to the impermanence of existence. Against the invisible yet reeling film of time, human life and its temporal concerns fade into the void. The entire creative process is a combination of performance art, installation and photography that encapsulates and distills the subject.

Beyond its philosophical connotations, the metaphor of dust also alludes to the aftermath of the 2008 Sichuan earthquake that fills the backdrop of Li's creation of *Impermanent Instant*. The images are muted echoes of the nation's trauma which seems to have faded, along with the material objects, into the void of time. In simple yet intricate compositions, the artist conveys a singular perception that is characteristic of his work. For Li, the photographic instant offers no consolation for the living, but a glimpse into the impermanence of life.



Li Jun will be present at the opening reception. Media interviews are welcome and can be arranged.

#### **About Li Jun**

Li Jun was born in 1977 in Chongqing, China and studied at the Photography and Digital Media Studio of Central Academy of Fine Arts. He recently won the 2013 Three Shadows Photography Award. Li currently lives and works in Chengdu, China.

#### **About Blindspot Gallery**

Blindspot Gallery is set up to bring contemporary photography, an art form that has entered the blind spot of the Hong Kong art scene to a higher degree of visibility. We feature both established and emerging photographers and artists, mainly from the region but also beyond.

For enquiries and media interviews, please contact Ms. Lesley Kwok at 2517 6238 or by email [info@blindspotgallery.com](mailto:info@blindspotgallery.com)

Image captions:

**Li Jun**, *A Kitchen Knife in Kitchen*, 2008, Archival pigment print, 60 x 75 cm (Ed. of 5) / 26 x 32.5 cm (Ed. of 8)

**Li Jun**, *For Individual Use*, 2008, Archival pigment print, 60 x 75 cm (Ed. of 5) / 26 x 32.5 cm (Ed. of 8)

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