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Mika Tajima and Patricia Treib Named Winners of 2017 New York Artadia Awards

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Artadia named the winners of its 2017 New York Artadia Awards today: Mika Tajima and Patricia Treib. For the award, available to visual artists living in New York City for over two years, both artists will receive \$10,000 in unrestricted funds.

Tajima and Treib were selected from a group of five finalists that included Dawn Kasper, Michael Portnoy, and Jessica Vaughn. Matthew Lyons, curator at The Kitchen in New York, and Laura Raicovich, president and executive director of the Queens Museum, helped select the awardees after studio visits with each artist.

Tajima draws on sculpture, painting, video, and performance. In a statement, Lyons and Raicovich praised the way her work “reflects and even predicts our collective selves as data producers and consumers, as products of industrial and technological design, affecting and potentially controlling our emotional states.”

Treib is a painter whose work challenges senses of perspective. In the same statement, her “highly nuanced” practice is celebrated for “engaging language of painting that explores perception and memory through the use of color and shape, which is very much her own.”

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Mika Tajima, *Meridian Gold*, pressurized water vapor system, networked LED bulbs, real-time gold commodity indexes, custom analysis program, wood, pigment, sculpted resin, 2016.

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