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hassan sharif deconstructs paper + pages at gallery isabelle van den eynde

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hassan sharif: images now through may 05, 2015 gallery isabelle van den eynde, dubai

coinciding with the 2015 edition of <u>art dubai</u>, gallery isabelle van den eynde presents the exhibition 'images' by renowned emirati artist <u>hassan sharif</u>. the artists' more than 40 years career is often characterized by glistening, bright plastic, sculptural heaps, conceived as a response to globalized consumerism. his most recent series of work however, presented at <u>alserkal avenue</u>, the industrial quarter of al quoz in dubai, reject commonplace

understandings of his practice.

visitors experience huge reams of paper, air-rusted iron shapes and hundreds of pages torn from a dictionary that hang from the ceiling and crawl up walls. viewers are invited to explore a wall of papier-mâche encrusted toys, a pillar of inkjet printouts, and a chandelier of ripped book sheets. fascinated by a seemingly endless repetition of imagery from glossy magazines churned out month-to-month, photographs that are printed and reprinted, and streams of leaflets and brochures, sharif addresses this flood of information with his own acts of repetition, where images are stripped of their meaning and turned into raw material for reuse.



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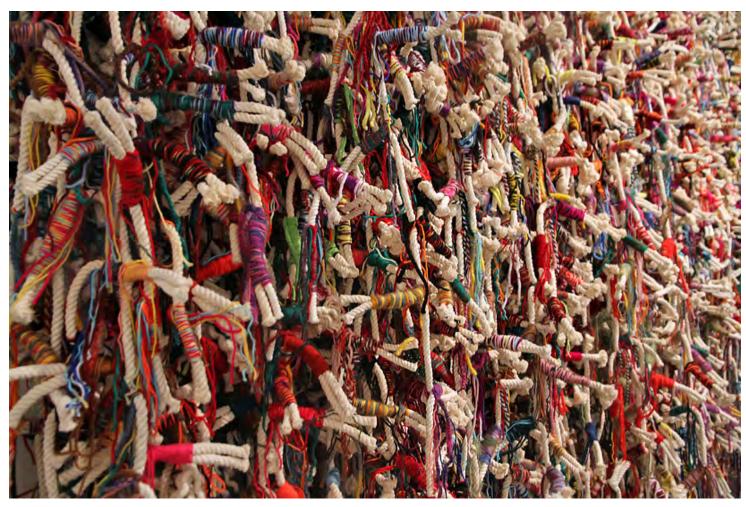
a pillar of images, 2015 magazine pages, staples and cotton rope / $1000 \times 170 \times 160$ cm approx courtesy of the artist and gallery isabelle van den eynde



cutting and tying no.2, 2014 cotton rope and wool / 275 x 650 x 50 cm. courtesy of the artist and gallery isabelle van den eynde



installation view of 'cutting and tying no.2' image $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ designboom





shredder, 2015 12 individual works, paper shredder, shredded paper, cardboard, cotton rope / variable dimensions courtesy of the artist and gallery isabelle van den eynde



dictionary, 2015 glue, dictionary pages and cotton rope / $380 \times 190 \times 80$ cm approx. courtesy of the artist and gallery isabelle van den eynde



detail of 'dictionary' image © designboom



detail of pages for 'dictionary' image © designboom



shopping mall, 2015 (right) copper / $56 \times 61 \times 55$ cm shopping bags, 2015 (left) shopping bags, cotton rope, copper wire, synthetic stings and plastic clips / $235 \times 100 \times 30$ cm. courtesy of the artist and gallery isabelle van den eynde





shopping bags, 2015 image © designboom



installation view of 'images no. 2', 2014 paper and glue / variable dimensions courtesy of the artist and gallery isabelle van den eynde



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