eitoeiko is pleased to announce an exhibition by Ri Jong Ok: Myth #1. This exhibition is her first solo show with eitoeiko. Ri Jong Ok was born in 1991, Tokyo, as the third generation of Zainichi (Korean people living in Japan). Ri studied art at Korea University in Tokyo. Ri made group exhibitions with students of her university and students of Musashino Art University which is next-door neighbor. The exhibitions titled ‘The reason why we are here’ in 2013, ‘Suddenly a view opened’ in 2015, and ‘When we across a border’ in 2017. The young artists attempt to find out their standpoint in the world of today.

Ri makes her artwork with realistic portrayal, but also the artist understands that the picture is only a surface from various aspects. Her work indicates the stereotype behind the face. In internet dictionary Weblio, people can find a sentence when one looks up the word ‘myth’ by Kenkyusha English-Japanese Dictionary: We must explode the myth that some races were created superior by God. The artist indicates that myth evokes us a sacred concept, but at the same time it becomes a stumbling block.

We express our deepest appreciation for a cooperation with crac.jp by make a permission for using photo-images.