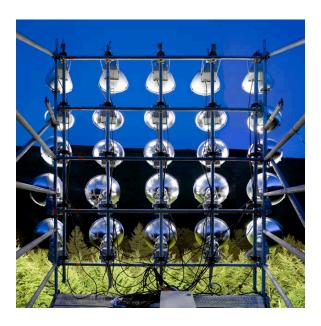
DINA MITRANI GALLERY | MIAMI

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Dina Mitrani Gallery is proud to present Twilight, a solo exhibition by Carlos Irijalba opening on Saturday, November 14, 2009 at 7pm and on view through December 26, 2009. There will be a second reception for the artist on Saturday, December 5th at 7pm coinciding with Art Basel Week. Carlos Irijalba, (Spain, 1979) presents us with an exhibition about the way in which Western culture builds reality through the use of artificial light. In Twilight, Irijalba relocates a light tower from a football camp to one of the last rainforests of Europe, between Spain and France. The focus shifts away from the habitually illuminated scene, to the intentionally hidden one. The artist generates an amalgam of contrasts: western culture, which reconstructs reality with lighting effects with eastern concepts that are more aware of shadows. We are faced with a critique of the society of the spectacle, the insignificance, the noise and the general conformity that dominates contemporary culture.

Carlos Irijalba has recently returned from an artist residency in Beijing. He has received many grants and awards, including the Guggenheim Photography Scholarship, the First Purificación Garcia Photography Award and the Marcelino Botin Foundation Grant. He graduated in 1998 from the Pamplona School of Art and continued his training at the University of the Basque Country where he obtained his Fine Arts degree. He also studied in Berlin at the Universität der Kunst with Professor Lothar Baumgarten and is currently at a residency at ISCP New York. His work is included in public collections such as the Coca Cola Foundation, the Artium Contemporary Art Museum of Vitoria, the IVAM, Spain, among others. He has exhibited throughout Europe, New York, Tokyo and Beijing and this will be his first solo show in Miami.

Dina Mitrani Gallery opened in November 2008 and specializes in international contemporary photography. The gallery currently represents eight emerging and mid-career artists and will be offering a lecture series and photo-based books. The gallery is committed to promoting its artists, as well as working with independent curators to produce unique group exhibitions.

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