

# CHRYSALIS — Woong Soak Teng

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Nouri is pleased to present Chrysalis, an exhibition of photographic works by Woong Soak Teng. This body of work comes from a series titled *re-rust* (2016) where Woong documented the process of a metal plate rusting, her attempts to undo the rusting, and the subsequent, inevitable re-rusting.

A cyclical struggle between humanity and the natural environment, these images may be read more broadly as metaphors for metamorphosis, and simultaneous processes of becoming and un-becoming. As suggested by the golden patina and the idea of the transitional chrysalis, these photographic pairs capture states of flux, inviting considerations of how we choose to engage with notions of maturation, decay, and growth — in art, food, our lived environment, and in our own bodies.

Woong Soak Teng (b. 1994, Singapore) is interested in human tendencies to control natural phenomena and nature at large. Her current research includes the human experience of living with spinal deformity, and the role of image-making and representations of human bodies in the medical field. She is part of art collective, DASSAD, and has participated in festivals and exhibitions internationally in Auckland, Copenhagen, Dali, Greece, Tokyo, Shanghai and Singapore. Her accolades include the Steidl Book Award Asia, Objectifs Documentary Award 2021, Kwek Leng Joo Prize of Excellence in Photography 2018 and Singapore Young Photographer Award 2018.





# RE-RUST (#11)

2016 / 2023

Photographic print  
123 x 89 cm (framed)

SGD 1,600



# RE-RUST (#5)

2016 / 2023

Photographic print  
63 x 47 cm (framed)

SGD 780





2016 / 2023  
Photographic print  
145 x 60cm (framed)

# RE-RUST (#1)

SGD 1,500



# RE-RUST (#21)

2016 / 2023  
Photographic print  
145 x 60cm (framed)

SGD 1,500





# RE-RUST (#38)

2016 / 2023

Photographic print  
47 x 63 cm (framed)

SGD 780



# RE-RUST (#22)

2016 / 2023

Photographic print  
47 x 63 cm (framed)

SGD 780

