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MIRA DAYAL: ANAGEN

Mira Dayal is an artist, critic, curator, and editor. This essay pertains to her studio work and visual research surrounding hair, particularly in relation to her recent exhibition “Anagen” at Lubov, New York.



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ANAGEN

: the active phase of the hair growth cycle that precedes catagen and telogen, that is marked by rapid division and differentiation of cells in the lower portion of the hair follicle and by lengthening of the hair shaft, and that typically lasts between two to six years

NOTE: At any given time, approximately 80 to 90% of hair follicles are in anagen.

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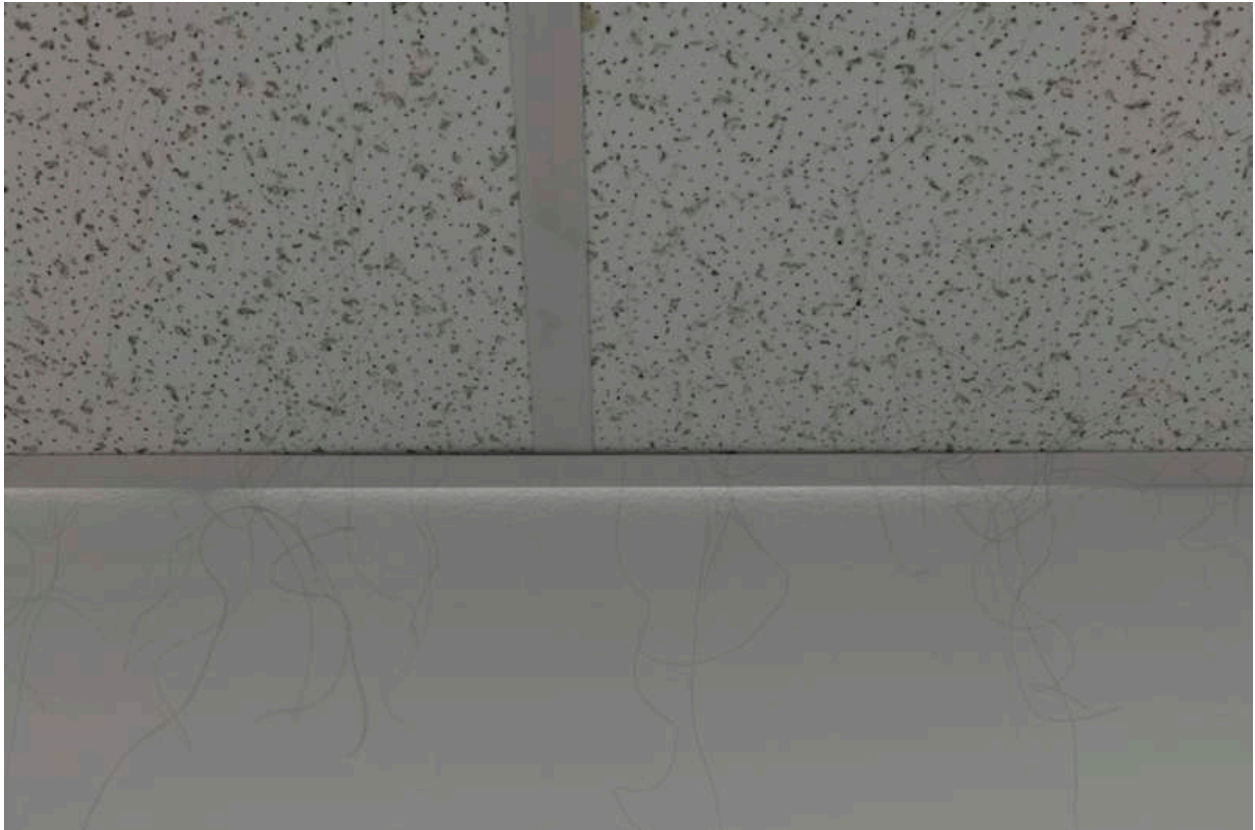


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Image Captions:

Hair in Museum, 2017, digital print, 11 x 17". Courtesy the artist.

Blowing, 2017, hair, glue, fan, 20 x 21 x 4 1/2". Photo: Bekka Palmer.

Installation view, "Material Metaphors," NARS Foundation, Brooklyn, NY, 2017. Photo: Bekka Palmer.

Woven, 2017, hair, canvas dropcloth, 60 x 60". Photo: Bekka Palmer.

Study for Scalp, 2018, inkjet print, 5 x 7". Courtesy the artist.

Armstrong 2 x 4' textured ceiling panels. Photo: Home Depot.

Letter to Long Haired Friends (excerpt), 2018, custom open type font on paper, 8 1/2 x 11". Courtesy the artist.

Anagen (digital contact scan), 2018–19, hair in drop ceiling tiles. Courtesy the artist.

Magnification of scalp. Photo: Science Photo Library.

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