

UNTITLED SPACE

IRL: Investigating Reality

A Group Show Curated by Indira Cesarine

OPENING RECEPTION: June 6, 2019

PREVIEW (by invitation) 4pm – 6pm

OPENING RECEPTION 6pm – 9pm

EXHIBITION ON VIEW

June 6 – June 21st, 2019

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45 Lispenard Street Unit 1W New York, NY 10013



"IRL: Investigating Reality" Artists: Buket Savci, Leah Schrager, Chelsie Kirkey

The Untitled Space is pleased to present "**IRL: Investigating Reality**" a group exhibition of contemporary artists exploring what "IRL" means to them in today's digital world. Curated by gallery director Indira Cesarine, "IRL: Investigating Reality" will open on June 6th, and run through June 21st, 2019. The group show examines themes of "real life" and "reality" versus fictional, internet or idealized worlds through a wide array of mediums including painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, mixed media, installation, video art, and textiles. Each artist reveals their own personal vision of "reality" with works in the show juxtaposing the mundanities of everyday life, addressing themes of "authenticity" versus edited, retouched or fictitious realities, nature versus cyber constructed content, as well as exploring the intersection of digital and physical worlds.



"IRL: Investigating Reality" Artists: Linda Friedman Schmidt, Alexandra Rubinstein, Sydney Kleinrock

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"IRL: Investigating Reality" Artists: Grace Graupe Pillard, Katie Commodore, Robin Tewes

EXHIBITING ARTISTS

Aela Labbe, Alexandra Rubinstein, Alison Jackson, Alison Stinely, Anne Barlinckhoff, Annika Connor, Becky Flanders, Buket Savci, Camilla Marie Dahl, Cara Lien, Chelsie Kirkey, Colin Radcliffe, Daniela Kovacic, Dani Lessnau, Dara Vandor, Dolly Faibyshev, Elisa Garcia de la Huerta, Erin Victoria Axtell, Fahren Feingold, Giulia Livi, Grace Graupe Pillard, Gray Swartzel, Indira Cesarine, Jave Yoshimoto, Jeanette Hayes, Jennifer Dwyer, Jessica Frances Gregoire Lancaster, Karen Bystedt, Karen Mainenti, Katie Commodore, Katy Itter, Leah Schrager, Linda Friedman Schmidt, Logan White, Mairi-Luise Tabbakh, Mary Henderson, Mary Tooley Parker, Michael Liani, Miss Meatface, Nichole Washington, Reisha Perlmutter, Robin Tewes, Sydney Kleinrock, Tara Lewis, and Tracy Kerdman.



"IRL: Investigating Reality" Artists: Camilla Marie Dahl, Reisha Perlmutter, Daniela Kovacic

CURATORIAL STATEMENT

"We live in a culture so immersed in social media, it is often impossible to distinguish reality from the edited, retouched, fantasy lives led online. As we become more dependent on the digital world, we equally crave authenticity and the truth. "IRL" which is an abbreviation of the term "in real life" is a phrase that emerged in the early days of the internet when people saw a need to distinguish things that were presented online versus the realities of offline or the "real world". The expression "irl" has become increasingly relevant as apps and edited realities created for likes shift the paradigm towards unrealistic and often unobtainable virtual worlds that defy reality with perfect holidays, perfect bodies, cyber romances, and artificial followers. I felt it was time to get back to "IRL" and invited an international selection of emerging and established contemporary artists of all genders and generations to "investigate reality." The exhibit

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explores this narrative with works that are often very intimate, works charged with self-interrogation, vignettes of reality, explorations of realism, revelations of private lives, as well as works full of satire and humor that address the intersection of the digital and physical worlds. What does "IRL" or "in real life" mean to you? As we become more connected are we becoming more disconnected? As our computer monitors and smartphones take over our lives, we find ourselves longing for nature, for tangible connections, and genuine experiences. This exhibit asks the viewer to explore their own reality, navigate through fact and fantasy, take a deeper look at the effects of technology on contemporary culture, as well as reflect on what "authenticity" means to them." – *Curator Indira Cesarine*



"IRL: Investigating Reality" Artists: Logan White, Miss Meatface, Aela Labbe

ABOUT THE UNTITLED SPACE

The Untitled Space is an art gallery located in Tribeca, New York in a landmark building on Lispenard Street. Founded in 2015 by Indira Cesarine, the gallery features an ongoing curation of exhibits of emerging and established contemporary artists exploring conceptual framework and boundary pushing ideology through mediums of painting, sculpture, printmaking, photography, video and performance art. The gallery is committing to exploring new ideas vis-à-vis traditional and new mediums and highlights a program of women in art as well as special events aligned with our creative vision.

ABOUT CURATOR INDIRA CESARINE

Indira Cesarine's work as a curator for The Untitled Space gallery includes solo shows for artists Sarah Maple, Rebecca Leveille, Alison Jackson and Fahren Feingold as well as group shows "EDEN" and "(HOTEL) XX" at SPRING/BREAK Art Show; "SECRET GARDEN" presenting the female gaze on erotica; "SHE INSPIRES," a group show of 60 artists exhibiting works honoring inspirational women; internationally-celebrated group shows "UPRISE/ANGRY WOMEN," and "ONE YEAR OF RESISTANCE" responding to the political climate in America since the election of Trump, as well as numerous other critically-acclaimed exhibitions.

Recent press on Indira Cesarine & The Untitled Space includes *Vogue (US)*, *Vogue Italia*, *CNN*, *Forbes*, *Newsweek*, *W Magazine*, *Harper's Bazaar*, *Teen Vogue*, *New York Magazine*, *i-D Magazine*, *Dazed and Confused*, and *The Huffington Post* among many others.

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