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University of Connecticut MFA Exhibition: Tell it Slant



Lani Asuncion Siobhan Landry Ben Piwowar Rita Lombardi J.R. Uretsky

May 31 - June 25, 2011

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"Tell all the truth but tell it slant." - Emily Dickinson

Tell it Slant is an exhibition of thesis work by recent MFA graduates from the University of Connecticut. These five artists have spent the past two years developing their personal studio practice and fostering new artistic relationships with artists and art professionals. The focus in their respective fields of sculpture, photography, performance and video is reflected in the broadened scope and context of their work.

Lani Asuncion uses time-based media to communicate experiences from her multicultural background. Recalling folklore and myth, Asuncion translates these experiences into a new visual language. Her work addresses stories in which time moves neither forward nor backward, but in a continual loop.

Siobhan Landry employs the mediums of photography and video to explore the intersection between place and narrative. Through an investigation of dialogue, Landry seeks out the contradictory and the strange and highlights the tension between fact and fiction.

In both The Red Wheelbarrow Pictures and With Your Eyes Closed, **Rita Lombardi** searches for those everyday things in life that are easily seen and easily forgotten. Using photography's combination of feeling and logic, she attempts to make the fleeting less so.

Ben Piwowar constructs objects and makes drawings. Using a hybrid of assemblage, painting, and improvisational carpentry, he enacts a playful but serious negotiation with uncertainty, compromise, fragmentation, and structural absurdity.

J.R. Uretsky's work explores pleasure, celebrating and critiquing a disruption of personal space through anthropomorphic sculpture and performance-based videos that are visually and emotionally intense.

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