



Thousands of Snowflakes

Derrick Piens & Marie Lannoo

Thursday July 3 – Saturday, July 19, 2014

Opening: Thursday July 3, 2014, 5 to 8 pm

Hours: Thursday opening July 3, 5 to 8 pm, Saturdays only, July 5, 12, and 19: 1 to 5 pm, or by appointment

Thousands of Snowflakes features Toronto sculptor Derrick Piens and Saskatoon painter Marie Lannoo. Both artists explore color in its material and transient states and the physical relationship between viewer and art object. Piens work considers the continuous process of transformation that materials and objects undergo throughout time. His brightly colored geomorphic objects transform as the viewer circumnavigates their surrounding space so that personal memory of the form is key to its comprehension. Lannoo uses thin veils of transparent material to consider the cumulative nature of color and the many ways in which it is activated by light and changes via an interactive viewing experience.

Derrick Piens received his MFA from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX in 2007. He has exhibited in Canada and the US including University of Waterloo Art Gallery, Dallas Contemporary, the Museum of Contemporary Art (Toronto) and Parisian Laundry (Montreal). Piens has a forthcoming solo exhibition at General Hardware Contemporary (Toronto) and in 2015 will attend an artist residency in Ii, Finland.

Marie Lannoo studied at York University and the University of Saskatchewan. Recent solo exhibitions include Newzones Gallery of Contemporary Art (Calgary), Satchel Gallery (Toronto) and the Mendel Art Gallery (Saskatoon). Her work was recently included in *Who's Afraid of Purple, Orange and Green* at the Dunlop Art Gallery (Regina) and is currently on view in *Ricochet* at the Mendel. She is the founder/director of 330g Gallery.

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List of Works

Derrick Piens

1. *Buried in Formation*
Plywood, veneer, paint
40" x 33" x 18"
2013

4. *The Offering*
Wood, plaster, cloth, paint
27" x 19" x 24"
2013

Marie Lannoo

2. *Peek-a-boo*
Acrylic on panel
48" x 24"
2014

3. *Hammered*
Marble, colored gels
60" x 36" x 5"
2014

