

KATE WERBLE GALLERY

83 VANDAM STREET NEW YORK, NY 10013

ANNA BETBEZE AND KRISTIN POSEHN

PARLOR AND ROSEVILLE

NOVEMBER 14 - DECEMBER 19, 2008

OPENING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 6-8 PM

ANNA BETBEZE'S PAINTINGS ARE TACTILE INVITATIONS TO COLOR AND TEXTURE. USING STORE BOUGHT, NATURAL FLOKATI WOOL RUGS ORDERED FROM GREECE, BETBEZE CREATES HER SURFACE THROUGH A TOXIC AND PHYSICAL PROCESS INVOLVING DYING, CUTTING, COMBING AND BLEACHING. HER WORK PRESENTS PLANES OF RICH AND TEXTURIZED COLOR THROUGH MEDIA OFTEN ASSOCIATED WITH DOMESTIC LIFE. IN *PARLOR*, THE PAINTINGS' UNEXPECTED SYNTHESIS OF DEPTH AND PIGMENT FORM A STRONG VISUAL STRUCTURE WITHIN EACH WORK, FURTHERING THE PARADOX OF THE OBJECT AND THE BEAUTIFUL.

BORN IN MOBILE, ALABAMA, ANNA BETBEZE NOW LIVES AND WORKS IN BROOKLYN, NEW YORK AND SHE TEACHES PAINTING AT VASSAR COLLEGE. A GRADUATE OF YALE'S MFA PROGRAM IN 2006, THIS SHOW WILL BE ANNA'S FIRST 2-PERSON EXHIBITION IN NYC.

IN *ROSEVILLE*, **KRISTIN POSEHN** BUILDS LARGE-SCALE REPLICAS OF SUPPORTING COLUMNS FROM UNDERNEATH FREEWAYS. USING HIGH-RESOLUTION DIGITAL INKJET PRINTS, POSEHN METICULOUSLY MOUNTS PHOTOGRAPHS ONTO HOLLOW PLYWOOD STRUCTURES. INSTEAD OF SERVING AS A WINDOW, THE PHOTOGRAPHS APPEAR TO BECOME THE SURFACES THEY PICTURE. AS A MIXTURE OF SCULPTURE, PHOTOGRAPHY AND INSTALLATION, THESE WORKS ALLOW FOR AN INTIMACY AND EXAMINATION OF THE SUBURBAN LANDSCAPE THAT IS OTHERWISE UNAVAILABLE IN EVERYDAY LIFE.

BORN IN CALIFORNIA, KRISTIN POSEHN NOW LIVES AND WORKS IN MAASTRICHT, THE NETHERLANDS, AS A RESEARCH FELLOW AT THE JAN VAN EYCK ACADEMIE. SHE RECENTLY COMPLETED AN ARCHITECTURAL WORK RELATING TO THE GHOST TOWN OF METROPOLIS, USA, WHICH WAS REALIZED OUTDOORS, IN PUBLIC SPACE, WITH MUSEUM DE PAVILJOENS IN ALMERE, THE NETHERLANDS. HER WORK IS CURRENTLY INCLUDED IN THE SHOW, "CHANTING BALDESSARI" AT THE BONNEFANTEN MUSEUM IN MAASTRICHT. THIS WILL BE POSEHN'S FIRST 2-PERSON EXHIBITION IN NYC.

KATE WERBLE GALLERY OPENED IN JULY 2008 WITH A GROUP EXHIBITION, *SHOW 1*. THIS EXHIBITION WILL BE THE GALLERY'S FOURTH EXHIBITION AND THE SECOND IN A SERIES OF 2-PERSON SHOWS EXTENDING INTO MAY OF 2009. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE GALLERY AT (212) 352-9700 OR [INFO@KATEWERBLEGALLERY.COM](mailto:info@katewerblegallery.com).

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