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May 2017 Press Release

Windows: Photography Installation by Amy Ritter

EVENTS:

First Friday Opening Reception: May 5th, 6-10pm

Artist Talk and Closing Reception: Saturday May 27th, 1-5pm

Open Hours: Saturdays 1-5pm

Gravy is proud to present an innovative photography installation 'Windows' by Amy Ritter. Ritter's work is an exploration of her relationship to her physical self vis-à-vis mobile homes and their interior landscapes. It stages her memories of her experience of growing up in a mobile home community—a place she's left but still feels rooted to. Ritter transforms the gallery space using Xerox prints, plywood, and cinder blocks—materials that relate back to the makeshift homes of her past. She aims to represent and understand the environment she came from and navigate the place she inhabits now. She creates a memoryscape that plays with the viewer's perception and challenge their relationship to both her objects and figures and the personal space they reconstruct. By using her own body and self portraiture elements, 'Windows' is a refreshing view of the world through a woman's gaze.

Artist Bio:

Amy Ritter (b.1986) is a Brooklyn-based artist with roots in Philadelphia gaining her BFA from Temple's Tyler School of Art. She is currently an artist-in-residence in Lower Manhattan Cultural Council's Workspace Program. She received her MFA from The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH. Ritter's solo exhibitions include Here | There at Arlington Arts Center (2016) and upcoming solo exhibitions at the Sculpture Center, Cleveland, OH (2017), Fleisher Art Memorial, Philadelphia, PA (2017), and Gravy Gallery, Philadelphia, PA (2017). She was a finalist for the Print Center's 89th annual International competition (2015), a recipient of Smack Mellon's Hot Picks List, NY (2016), and has received numerous residencies including a full fellowship at Vermont Studio Center (2015), Fine Arts Work Center fellowship (2015-2016), a MiXER residency at D' Clinic, Zalaegerszeg, Hungary (2015), and a residency at Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture (2016).

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For more info please contact Gravy at gravy_photo@gmail.com or call 267.825.7071. Gravy Studio & Gallery is a collaborative photography workspace and gallery located near the Frankford Arts Corridor. Our goal is to serve as a multi-functional space that promotes the work of local photographers. Opening receptions are held on the First Friday of every month and additional open hours vary.