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13 March 2014

Animal Magnetism & Tim Williams Solo

Animal Magnetism is a group exhibition of artworks exploring the complex relationships between animals and the Arts Project Australia artists.

Curators Jessie Imam and Nicole Macdonald say that, "Animals can serve as a reminder to us of our primal beginnings; they remain elusive, mysterious and belong to a different world. People have long been interested in discovering creatures in their natural habitat, yet also have a need to tame and domesticate them for companionship."

Animal Magnetism will be exhibited in conjunction with *Tim Williams Solo*. Heroes and villains from films and books populate Williams' creative imagination. The device of incorporating photographic source material into the work itself provides us with a fascinating window into Williams' process and vision. This is Williams' first solo exhibition.

Arts Project Australia celebrates its 40th Anniversary in 2014; *Animal Magnetism and Tim Williams Solo* are featured as part of Arts Project's extensive 2014 exhibition and event program.

ARTISTS: Michael Camakaris, Dionne Canzano, Valerio Ciccone, Alan Constable, James Cornelious, Jamie Dawes, Jordan Dymke, Matthew Gove, Bronwyn Hack, Ruth Howard, Miles Howard-Wilks, John Huggins, Thomas Iacono, Venuzza Iaconis, Bobby Kyriakopoulos, Julian Martin, Jenny Ngo, Nhan Nguyen, Cam Noble, Tim Noble, Christopher Philbey, Lisa Reid, Kieran Roberts, Anthony Romagnano, Laura Sheehan, Mark Smith and Georgia Szmerling.

The artists and curators are available for interview. High-resolution images are available on request and artists can be photographed with their work.

Animal Magnetism and Tim Williams Solo is on at Arts Project Australia 24 High St Northcote VIC 3070 and runs Saturday 22 March until Saturday 26 April 2014. Gallery open Monday – Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 10am-5pm.





IMAGES: (top) Dionne Canzano *Lassie* 2012 pastel on paper 38 x 38cm

(bottom) Timothy Williams *Batman DVD* 2011 texta on paper 28 x 17.5cm

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QUICK REFERENCE DOCUMENT

WHERE: Arts Project Australia, 24 High St Northcote VIC 3070 Australia

DATES: OPENING: Saturday 22 March, from 3-5pm

EXHIBITION: 22 March - 26 April 2014

SPEAKER: Anthony Fitzpatrick, Curator, TarraWarra Museum of Art

TIMES: EXHIBITION OPEN: Monday – Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 10am-5pm MORE INFO: EVENT PAGE: Animal Magnetism, EVENT PAGE: Tim Williams Solo

WEBSITE: www.artsproject.org.au

ENTRY: FREE

KEY MESSAGES

- Animal Magnetism is a group exhibition of artworks exploring the complex relationships between animals and the Arts Project Australia artists and is curated by Jessie Imam and Nicole Macdonald.
- Animal Magnetism features the work of 27 Arts Project artists.
- Animal Magnetism presents paintings, prints, photography, drawings, ceramics and 3D sculpture created between 2006-2013 at Arts Project Australia's Northcote studio.
- Tim Williams Solo is Williams' first solo exhibition.
- Animal Magnetism and Tim Williams Solo artwork is available for sale at the exhibition.
- Animal Magnetism and Tim Williams Solo are the second and third exhibitions in Arts Project's 2014 40th Anniversary Program.
- Arts Project Australia is a centre of excellence that supports artists with intellectual disabilities, promoting their work and advocating for inclusion within contemporary art practice.

KEY EVENTS

EXHIBITION OPENING

Saturday 22 March, 3.30pm

Join Arts Project Australia Executive Director Sue Roff, curators Jessie Imam and Nicole Macdonald and Anthony Fitzpatrick, Curator at TarraWarra Museum of Art as they open these two new exhibitions at Arts Project Australia.

Cost FREE

MEDIA ENQUIRIES

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