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Down There

April 13 - May 11, 2024 | Reception: Saturday, April 13, 2024 | 4-7 PM CST

Artists Walkthrough: Saturday, May 11, 2024 | 2–4 PM CST

Juried by Kelsey Bogdan



Caroline Bick: Meow (2024)

CHICAGO—Woman Made Gallery (WMG) is proud to present *Down There*, a group exhibition with work by 39 artists. Juried by Kelsey Bogdan, this exhibition seeks to lift back imposed veils of stigma and mystery, bringing to the forefront conversations around vulvar anatomy, vocabulary, diversity, emotionality, etc. The opening reception will be held on Saturday, April 13, from 4 to 7 p.m. at WMG's new location: 1332 S. Halsted St., Chicago, IL 60607.

Juror's Statement: "After reading through hundreds of statements and sorting through just about 500 artworks, I have an entirely new respect for the jurying process. There were many amazing works that we unfortunately could not fit into the exhibition, but that doesn't make them any less important. Thank you all for your vulnerable, critical work. It was an honor to be able to share it with you." —Kelsey Bogdan

About the Juror: Kelsey Bogdan is an artist, scholar, and educator from Chicago, Illinois. Bogdan completed her B.A. at Harvard University where she studied neuroscience, gender, and sexuality. Both fields informing her artistic practice and scholarship, Kelsey went on to pursue a Master of Fine Arts in 2022 from Columbia College Chicago. With years of experience as an educator in the life sciences as well as the arts and humanities, Bogdan hopes to continue to bridge the gap between the humanities and STEM, integrating neuroscience, healing, and human resistance through her scholarship. Bogdan just wrapped up her Humanities Fellowship at Dumbarton Oaks Museum in Washington, D.C., and is currently a first year medical student at Brown University.

Exhibiting Artists: Lathoriel Badenhausen, Ashley Baranczyk, Caroline Bick, Cindy C. Blair, Caroline Borucki, Oona Bruss, Katie Croft, Leah Dalton, Samantha DeCarlo, Jessica Du Preez, Sarah Eckstine, Jillian Elliott, McKenzie Fitz, Anne Farley Gaines, Linda Gelfman, Amanda Gentry, Sandra Guze, Angela Hansen, Joanna Hoge, Kristy Brucale Jach, Meagan Jain, Olivia Jobbe, Erin Juliana, Alexandra Tahereh Kaucher, Anya Kotler, Anna Lipscomb, Monika Malewska, Mildred Annani Mercado, Mo Mengjie, Emmalyn Mueller, Laura O'Connor, Shari Pundrich, Rachael, Althea Rao, Kit Robbins, L Ande Smith, Maya Stoker, Dom Williams

Down There: https://womanmade.org/down-there/

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