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Caroline Cox — *'Scuse Me While I Kiss The Sky*

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7 — 9 P.M.

sarah bowen gallery presents *'Scuse Me While I Kiss The Sky*, an exhibition of new work by **CAROLINE COX**. Cox explores the mutability of perception in an installation that engulfs the architectural space of the gallery with intricate patterns of intertwined objects. The installation's juxtaposition of disparate but interrelated objects conjure up colonies of obscure life forms that inhabit the fringes of an optic megalopolis. The central section of Cox's installation consists of trolling lures that suspends a mass of glass lenses, crystal balls, fish floats, mesh pouches, and chandelier crystals over a field of mirrors. A visual feedback loop is created by the lenses and the mirrors as each distorts and transforms the image that the other relays. Subtly caught in this optical mix are groupings of small transparent, skeletal cylinders that cling to the surrounding walls. Interspersed with these are clusters of florescent green and orange, thistle like objects that inhabit the hollow cylinders as well as stand alone. This symbiotic organism migrates to the ceiling, pushing at the architectural barriers.

...A sense of wonder soon gives way, however, to confoundment as the cosmological references of the piece entice one to move beyond sensual experience and consider less tangible elements such as light, space, and gravity. When this happens these strange and inventive shapes seem less about artistic invention than the limits of the senses and the fragile and chance nature of existence...where contradiction is an operative element and transmutation an active state of being.

— Susan Canning
from "Studio View", New Art Examiner

Cox lives and works in New York City. Her work has been shown in many exhibitions, including: Don Soker Gallery in San Francisco, Long Island University-Brooklyn Campus, Schroeder Romero Gallery, Smack Mellon, the Sculpture Center and White Columns. Cox was also co-founder and co-director of Flipside Gallery in Williamsburg.

sarah bowen gallery is open Tuesday through Sunday, 12 – 6 pm and by appointment. The gallery is located at 210 North Sixth Street, Williamsburg, Brooklyn, NY, 11211. Directions: L Train to Bedford Avenue stop, take Driggs exit, walk one block south to Sixth Street, and then ½ block East. The gallery is located between Driggs and Roebling on the right hand side.