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Morning Rage

KATE GILMORE

Friday, February 23 – Saturday, April 7, 2018

Opening reception: Friday, February 23rd 5:00-8:00 pm



Kate Gilmore, *Beat it*, 2014, single channel video, 15:47 min. TRT

Aspect/Ratio is pleased to present *Morning Rage*, the first Chicago solo exhibition for artist Kate Gilmore.

Morning Rage will introduce new sculptural works, as well as the single channel video *Beat It*. This video was part of an installation and performance created for the H & R Block Space in Kansas City, Missouri. Michael Jackson's famous 80's hit song title is appropriated here, while the video unfolds through an oculus in the sculpture taken from a fixed camera stationed overhead. Throughout the video, the walls of the installation are being dismantled and reconfigured to reveal a series of stenciled text that reads: 'beat it,' repeated over and over.

Through the use of repetition and performance, much of Gilmore's practice demonstrates a resolute transformative process that comes out of destruction. Destruction and dexterity are arsenal for the artist who consistently goes well beyond the limitations of what material is generally prepared to endure. It is with this prowess and fervor that fuel her latest sculptural works. Highly lacquered metal cubes are hammered continuously, creating scars and dismantling their otherwise polished appearance.

Kate Gilmore is a New York multi-media based artist and Associate Professor of Art and Design at Purchase College at SUNY Purchase. Gilmore received her MFA from the School of Visual Arts and Bachelors from Bates College. Her work has been shown at numerous institutions including: Museum of Modern Art, MCA Chicago, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, Brooklyn Museum, ICA Philadelphia and The Rose Art Museum. Notable exhibitions and awards include: The Art Prize 2015; the Whitney Biennial 2010; The Moscow Biennial, Moscow; and PS1 Greater New York 2005 & 2010. Gilmore's work is included in many public institutional collections: Museum of Modern Art, New York; Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, New York; Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY; Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, California; Rose Art Museum, Waltham, Massachusetts; Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indiana, Indianapolis; and Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, Illinois.