

IMMEDIATE RELEASE: EXHIBITION+ NEW GALLERY LOCATION

## **Abbey Williams**

Moon in Gemini

September 10 - October 18, 2003 Opening Reception: Wednesday, September 10, 6.00-9.00 pm Hours: Tuesday to Saturday, 11.00 am - 6.00 pm

Foxy Production announces the first solo exhibition of New York artist, Abbey Williams, and the opening of our new Chelsea gallery on West 27<sup>th</sup> Street. Williams presents Moon in Gemini, a three-thannel DVD film that explores desire, love and loss.

Moon in Gemini grapples with the physicality, emotions and aesthetics of desire. The viewer is placed in the exciting and yet troubling nether region between romance and sex. Moving from a day-dreaming bedroom scene, the film's main character attempts to act upon her yearnings by initiating multiple charged encounters on the street. Although her actions preserve a certain innocence and may aspire to a romantic ideal, they certainly

implicate the viewer in her libidinal journey. Action, song and choreographed scenes are inter-cut the character earnestly sings a karaoke rendition of Avril Lavigne's I'm with You; '60s female rock fans stream whilst in the throws of idolatry; whirling dervish break dancers hypnotically spin creating narrative ruptures reminiscent of Bollywood cinema. Offering multifarious forms of bliss and loss, Williams makes intensely visceral the adage that desire is all about not having.

With deft editing and using multiple-screen projection to full effect, Williams washes the viewer in image, song and sound, while wittily provoking and challenging. She pursues remarkably fresh ground in the well-contested field of the representation of desire. Eschewing the hardcore, she produces a subtle, yet engaging, portrayal of the complexity of the world of love.

Abbey Williams recently completed graduate school at Bard College. She has recently exhibited at: Art in General, New York; The New York Underground Film Festival; ATM, New York; Foxy Production, Brooklyn; Revolution, Detroit; City Zooms, Bremen, Germany. Upcoming projects include Blinky/Americah Video, Tate Britain, and Hovering, Peres Projects, LA.

Foxy Production is a contemporary art gallery that provides a focus for inter-disciplinary practices, interactive situations and collaborative ventures.

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