### PUMICE RAFT

## You are an Image of the Unending World

Kenneth Winterschladen
February 15-March 23, 2025



Installation view of Untitled and You are an Image of the Unending World, dimensions variable, 2025.

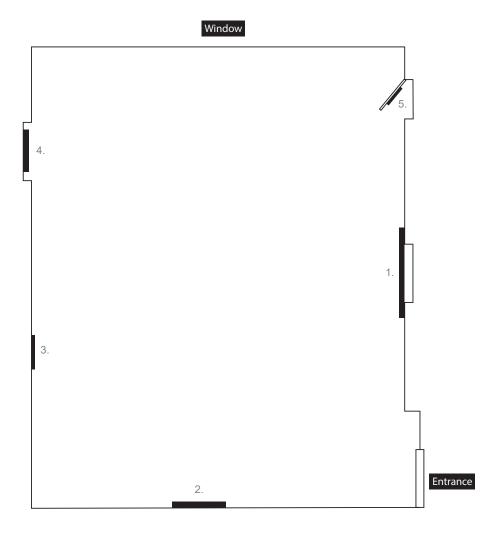
Pumice Raft is excited to present **You are an Image of the Unending World**, Kenneth Winterschladen's first solo exhibition in Canada.

The title of this exhibition references The spirit of this time, the introduction to Carl Jung's posthumously published "Red Book" (2009). In this text—written between 1914 and 1930—Jung outlines an industrialized post-WWI sentiment that the spirit of the time was structured around use and value. In contrast to this utilitarian verve, Jung suggests that redemption ought to come from the unconscious and the patterns beyond normal waking consciousness. Winterschladen presents works that engage with the body's connection to unconscious experience and the images that come up from the depths of the spirit. Through a process led by observation, Winterschladen layers compositions depicting images of the everyday, the celestial, the familial, and the diagrammatic. The result is a collision of visual contradictions that the artist and viewer must work through, interrogating the ways we look and how we see.

Two doorways are installed in the gallery, as if to suggest the intermediary space between conscious and unconscious states of mind. However, by way of blocking passage through these doorways, the works on display invite the viewer to contemplate the push and pull of the in-between as well as the inherent objecthood of the painting.

**Kenneth Winterschladen** (b. 1993, Washington D.C, USA) lives and works in London. He graduated from the Royal College of Art (MA Painting) in 2020. Solo exhibitions include: *Divinity (sic)*, South Parade, (London, 2022); recent selected group exhibitions include: *Nature Morte*, The Artist Room (London, 2025, curated by Pieter-Jan de Paepe), *[ahr-kahyv]*, Depa Archive (Gent, 2024), *Material Poetics*, The Shop at Sadie Coles (London, 2022), *One Piece* (184 Franklin, New York, 2022, curated by Daisy Sanchez), *The Gnosis Show* (online, 2021, curated by Tosia Leniarska).

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#### **Exhibited Artworks**

- 1. *Untitled,* Oil on Wood, 81cm x 137cm x 1.9cm (31.9 x 53.9 x 0.75 inches), 2023-2024.
- You are an image of the unending world, Oil, acrylic and aluminum foil on wood, 50cm x 40cm x 3cm (19.7 x 15.7 x 1.2 inches), 2024.
- 3. Untitled (M), Oil and graphite on wood, 42cm x 30cm x 2cm (16.5 x 11.8 x 0.8 inches), 2024.
- 4. *Untitled (EC1Y 0UA)*, Oil on Wood, 100cm x 56cm x 1.9cm (39.4 x 22 x 0.75 inches), 2024-2025.
- 5. *Points*, Oil on wood, 42cm x 30cm x 2cm (16.5 x 11.8 x 0.8 inches), 2025.

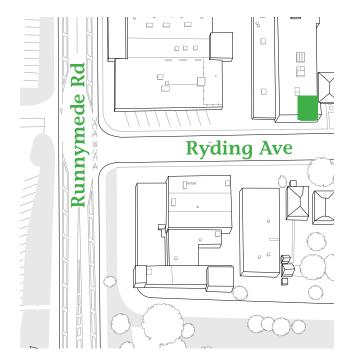
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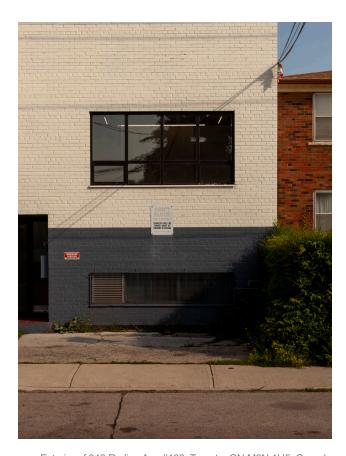
#### About Pumice Raft:

A pumice raft is an ecological phenomenon that usually follows an underwater volcanic eruption. Amongst the lava, plumes of pumice stones slowly float to the surface of the ocean. If the wind is calm the individual stones form what some sailors have reported as floating islands that appear out of nowhere. The pumice raft has even been known to ferry flora and fauna to new shores. More than an illusion on the horizon, a pumice raft represents a vessel, a conduit, a vehicle; its very constitution cultivates an environment where things can come together in the spirit of collaboration.

Pumice Raft is also a federally registered non-profit organization in Tkaronto/Toronto ON, Canada. Incorporated in 2018, Pumice Raft's activities begin from an ecological activist approach to the display of visual art and the facilitation of related education. This means that the guiding principles of the organization are rooted in a conception of place that begins with the protection of people and the planet.

The physical space of Pumice Raft currently resides on the land of the Haudenosaunee, the Huron-Wendat, and the Anishinabewaki くっからいくられ Located on the first floor of a light industrial building at **348 Ryding Avenue**, Pumice Raft sits in Toronto's present-day Junction neighbourhood. Nearby to the west, the Humber River (Niwa'ah Onega'gaih'ih) flows south towards Lake Ontario (Niigani-gichigami).





Exterior of 348 Ryding Ave #103, Toronto, ON M6N 1H5, Canada 2nd floor windows show Pumiec Raft. 2023.