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Greg Stewart
Beast or By-Product: Food Shelter Clothing

Exhibition dates: May 21st – June 11th 2009

Reception with artist: Saturday May 29th from 6-9pm - in conjunction with "Queens Art Express 2009"



DEAN PROJECT is pleased to present "Beast or By-Product: Food Shelter Clothing" by Greg Stewart. For his first solo exhibition with the gallery, Stewart will present works from two of his current bodies of work, which also includes an outdoors public project.

These two parts indoor/outdoor exhibition will consists of drawings, sculptures and digital color prints, as well as a several small pull carts shelters with rooftop gardens, which will be displayed around the Queens borough during "Queens Art Express 09" the Queens Council of the Arts festival.

"Combining fragments of animal forms with other objects and images making references to both natural and synthetic origins. Species of a different kind emerge out of the unlikely circumstances created by these crossings; the materialization of new kinds of beings, forming new kinds of relationships. Oftentimes the work is left seemingly unfinished, as if still in the act of dislodging itself from its current category, or includes a system for further attachments, including my own body.

The appearance of animals is a way to make a connection with the natural world. Although remaining recognizable as animal-like, these combinations are ambiguous and troubling, much like my own connections I make with the natural world. In most cases, my experiences with the natural world are indirect; meaning these experiences rarely take place in the actual space of the natural world. , but are mediated through a multiplicity of external forces, including science and technology, television and movies, mythology and folklore (stories), environment, art, and/ or any other number of ways of experiencing.

The outdoor component for this project will consist of a small grouping of fruit trees. Trees will be individually planted in small carts containing soil. Trees will periodically move through the space of the neighborhood, while coming to rest in front of Dean Project. Each cart will be equipped with small a water storage tank (green 5 gallon bucket) to facilitate easy maintenance"

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