



Santa Barbara
CONTEMPORARY ARTS FORUM

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Forum Lounge: FAST-FORWARD: A Screening of Contemporary American Video Art
Screening: Thursday, July 1, 7 PM Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum **FREE**

Take in the action as *FAST FORWARD* kicks into high gear with a survey of groundbreaking contemporary videos, which run the contextual and technical gamut.



Left: Alexa Gerrity, *March of Reflection*, 2007 Right: Jen DeNike, *Happy Endings*, 2006

Curated by Annie Wharton, *FAST-FORWARD* is a compilation of short length videos by artists working in the medium. The videos encompass a wide range of subject matter ranging from corporeal, action-based performances, to stop-motion graphics, and from computer-generated iconography, to humorous slices of life. *FAST-FORWARD* artists were selected for their diversity of form and strength of execution, and include: Susan Lee Chun, Jen De Nike, Spencer Douglass & Gustavo Herrera, Adriana Farmiga, Dan Finsel, Jesse Reding Fleming, Christy Gast, Alexa Gerrity, aaron GM, Micol Hebron, Marc Horowitz, Jiae Hwang, David Jones, Julie Lequin, Justin H. Long, Shana Moulton, Davida Nemeroff, Ali Prosch, and Mark Verabioff. In addition to the *FAST-FORWARD* screening of artist videos, CAF will show works on monitors and projections by Jen DeNike, Jesse Reding Fleming, Alexa Gerrity, Davida Nemeroff and Ali Prosch.

Annie Wharton is a Los Angeles-based painter and video artist who has shown her work in museum and gallery exhibitions internationally. She co-owns The Company (www.thecompanyart.com), an exhibition space in LA's Chinatown that opened in the former reception office of a motel and its adjunct garage in November of 2008. The Company is one of the premier Los Angeles galleries with a stable of video artists. She writes art criticism with a focus on video art and installation for Flash Art and OC Weekly, and is the West Coast editor and video art critic for Artlurker.

About the Forum Lounge Series: Forum Lounge is a series of free, unique, performance-based events, ranging from the theatrical to the avant-garde that are normally found only in large metropolitan venues, and that reflect CAF's mission to sustain and encourage the artistic process by presenting art in the form of exceptional music, dance, video, and other multi-media to our community.

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About the Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum: CAF is a non-profit, non-collecting alternative art space dedicated to the exhibition, education, and cultivation of the arts of our time. Celebrating its 34th anniversary in 2010, CAF is the premier venue for contemporary art between Los Angeles and San Francisco. CAF is located at the Paseo Nuevo Mall Upper Arts Terrace in downtown Santa Barbara, CA.

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