

Presents:



Silver Plated Secrets

MorYork | 4959 York Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90042

Opening Reception: Friday, February 7, 2025 6-9pm Closing: Sunday, February 16, 2025

Teddy Max Pozo, Chest Simulator, 2025. Photo courtesy of the artist.

Featured Artists:

Fiona Baler, Matías Biraben, Esther L Cohen, Izzy Dean, Lorenzo Osterheim, Oliver Otake, Teddy Max Pozo, Elise Raphael, Blue Reinhard, Zoey Solomon, Aya Sugiura

MorYork Gallery presents 'Silver Plated Secrets' from LA based art collective Cognitive Dissonance. Clare Graham describes his home base, MorYork, as "a studio, an incubator, a factory and even a gallery." In the fascinating world of MorYork, one can find oddities, treasures, and garage sale artifacts imbued with the energy of past lives.

MorYork is a shapeshifting creature able to meet the needs and whims of its visionaries and visitors. Through this group exhibition, the artists of Cognitive Dissonance join in conversation with the shapeshifter. 'Silver Plated Secrets' is a show inspired by the emphatic space of MorYork.

Instead of treating MorYork as a neutral holding space for artworks, the artists participate in a reciprocal process with the gallery as an active participant. As the artists' work is derived from and thus created by this space, the artwork subsequently changes the nature of the space itself. The exhibition situates the artwork, the artists, and the space as co-conspirators in this ongoing process of artmaking.

One of the most striking features of MorYork is the materiality of the objects inhabiting the space. At the core of each object there is a life-force, hidden beneath layers of corporeality – plated in "silver". Cognitive Dissonance invites viewers to question the ways in which material and space connect and create us. How do we simultaneously see the "silver plating", what is underneath the plating, and what is served up on a silver platter?

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