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NEW YORK [March 11, 2010] – **CONVERSIONs | one-night stands** month-long mini-festival in April 2010 showcases emerging and established artists at BronxArtSpace in the Mott Haven section of the South Bronx. As in past CONVERSIONs, each night will focus on a different medium under a larger curatorial theme that sets the tone for each weekend culminating in a final evening of performance and music. For updates and complete information, please go to www.conversionsnyc.com.

Since 2004, each **CONVERSIONs** presents a unique curatorial theme. **CONVERSIONs | one-night stands** focuses on the ephemeral nature that contemporary art is seen and experienced in the South Bronx. Under this larger theme, each evening throughout the month will present works that speaks of impermanence, displaced gratification, and the nature of immediacy.

The festival kicks off **Saturday, April 3rd at 7:00pm** with the opening reception of ***I'm Caught Up…;*** an exhibition featuring the work of Blanka Amezkua, Daniel Bejar, Charles Beronio, Chris Bors, Vidal Centeno, Juan Doe, Hasan Elahi, Clare Grill, Edwin Gonzalez-Ojeda, Ketta Ioannidou, Jayson Keeling, Ivan Monforte, Christy Speakman, and Xavier. Nicholas Fraser will present weekly outdoor interventions through the festival at different locations around the neighborhood.

The Bronx Culture Trolley stops by on **Wednesday, April 7th from 5pm to 9pm** as part of Bronx Council on the Arts' First Wednesdays program. On view: ***I'm caught up…,*** an oratory performance by artist Charles Beronio and a sampling of film and video work selected by Synthetic Zero curator Mitsu Hadeishi.

Saturday, April 10th at 7:00pm brings an evening of film and video works with ***Synthetic Zero presents…;*** co-organized with Mitsu Hadeishi of Synthetic Zero. Selected artists include Burt Barr, Chuleta, Meredith Drum, Eva Davidova, Nicky Enright, Victoria Fu, Avi Krispin, Liz Magic Laser, Dafna Maimon, Christy Speakman, and others.

The 4th evening of the festival on **Saturday, April 17th at 7:00pm** presents ***Give Me the Night…;*** a presentation of performance artists whose work address the flux of impermanence. Featured artists include Janelle Iglesias & Tara Pelletier, Devin KKenny, Jacolby Satterwhite, and Wanda Raimundi-Ortiz.

Closing reception for **CONVERSIONs | one-night stands** takes place on **Saturday, April 24th at 7:00pm** with ***Let's Party!*** This evening will feature two unique performances from artist Alison Ward and the collaborative efforts of Spanic Attack and La sovietiKa.

Since 2004, **CONVERSIONs** is an artist driven initiative that brings the alternative space into the studios of Mott Haven artists with short-run exhibitions of work by visual, performing and media artists. It had provided an opportunity for a community without gallery space to produce and exhibit work. In the greater sense, **CONVERSIONs** is the embodiment of the South Bronx; a conversion of outside perceptions, inward perspectives and a changing view on how contemporary art work is seen and experienced in Mott Haven. It is meant to examine the zones of exchange and cultural diversity surrounding this unique neighborhood.

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ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Dates & Times

Saturday, April 3rd, 2010 – 7pm – ***I'm Caught Up…*** kick off reception, visual art exhibition and performance event.

Wednesday, April 7th, 2010 – 5pm – ***First Wednesdays*** Performance by Charles Beronio.

Saturday, April 10th, 2010 – 7pm – ***Synthetic Zero Presents…*** Film & Video projects, works, and experimental visual media.

Saturday, April 17th, 2010 – 7pm – ***Give Me the Night…*** Featuring 4 unique works of performance.

Saturday, April 24th, 2010 – 7pm –***Let's Party!*** Conceptual music performances and closing reception.

Location

All events take place at **BronxArtSpace**, 305 East 140th Street, Mott Haven, Bronx. Free admission. Donations accepted.

Getting There

Subway: 20 minutes from Union Square. From Manhattan, 4-5 train to 125th Street. Transfer to 6 train - one stop to 3rd Ave/138th Street. Bus: Bx buses 1, 2, 21, 32, 33 to 3rd Ave/138th Street. BronxArtSpace is 2 blocks north to 140th Street.

First Wednesdays/ Bronx Culture Trolley Night: Departs at 5:30pm, 6:30pm, and 7:30pm from Hostos Community College and tours Bronx art institutions. Trolley is free. More information at www.bronxarts.org.

Funding & Sponsors

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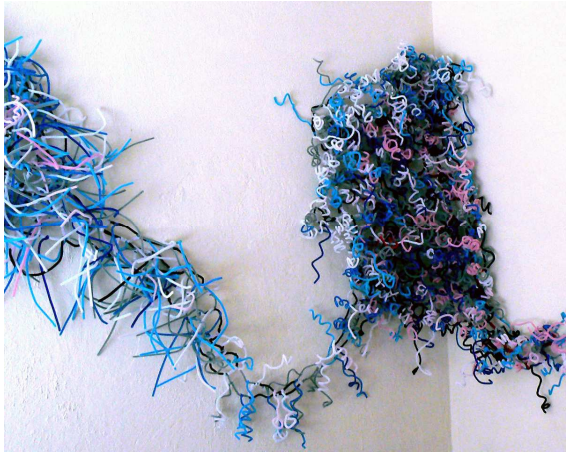

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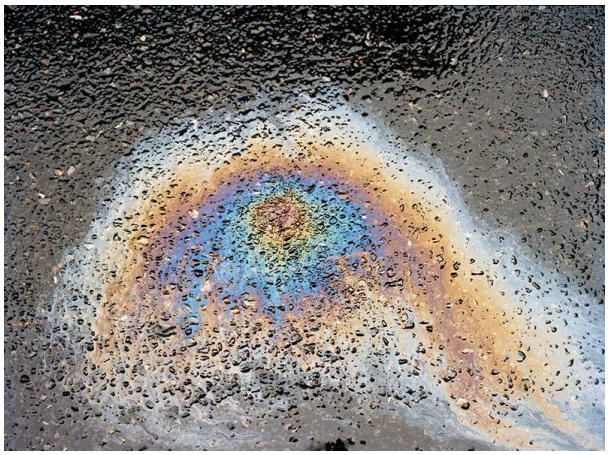

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