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Team Macho:Yard Sale

May 24 - May 28, 2017

Artists in residence: May 24 - 28,
An evening of karaoke: Thu, May 25, 6-8PM

(May 19, 2017) Gitler & _____ is proud to present Yard Sale from Canadian artist collective Team Macho. The Toronto-based group is made up of Nicholas Aoki, Stephen Appleby-Barr, Christopher Buchan, and Lauchie Reid. If there's one thing to draw from Team Macho's process, it's that artistic intent is meant to evolve, be torn down, and battle-tested until any notion of authorship is bastardized beyond recognition.

Style, medium, subject and form – these elements have a beginning and an end within their process, but more so, they are gateways to improvisation and adaptation, depending on what order in the sequence each artist receives (starts, continues, or finishes) another's work. The concept for Yard Sale introduces a new layer to the collective's customary teamwork-cum-competitive approach. Rather than receiving and swapping one another's work, the tenuous equilibrium is disrupted here with the introduction of an entirely new type of unknown: kitsch. The old, the unloved, the amateurish and overly sentimental pieces that one might sooner label "vintage" than "art" (albeit with a hint of irony) can now be transformed with a roll of the dice.

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For five days, Team Macho will be on location at Gitler & _____, interpreting, adapting, and breathing new life into existing works of all styles and eras. Got a stodgy old portrait sorely in need of extraneous eyes or appendages? For a one time fee of \$500, Team Macho will take your unloved, uninspiring, or underwhelming works and seek to collaborate and compete with the original artists. This exhibition-by-process will distort and skew conceptions of art, picture-making, and general good taste.

Team Macho's recent work includes solo exhibitions with Narwhal Contemporary, Toronto; installations at The Art Gallery of Ontario; inclusion in the Painting Project at Galerie l'UQAM, Montreal; and exhibitions in LA, New York, Detroit, and Amsterdam.

Gitler & _____ is located at 3629 Broadway in Hamilton Heights, NYC. The gallery is dedicated to showcasing rising artists from around the world. For more info visit: www.gitlerand.com



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