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BROOKE BABINGTON, *AFFIDAVIT VITO ACCONCI*

EXHIBITION DATES: 5 – 19 NOVEMBER 2016

EXHIBITION OPENING: SATURDAY 5 NOVEMBER, 4–6PM

ARTISTS: BROOKE BABINGTON, LAUREN BURROW, REBECCA JOSPEH, SPENCER LAI, PIP WALLIS, ROSS WALLACE

Gertrude Contemporary is pleased to present *AFFIDAVIT VITO ACCONCI*, a project by Gertrude Studio Artist Brooke Babington at Gertrude Glasshouse. Babington will present new work alongside work by Lauren Burrow, Rebecca Joseph, Spencer Lai, Pip Wallis and Ross Wallace in a loosely/group curated 'solo show' proposed to test the elasticity of the increasingly present artist-curator role in contemporary art.

Building on her June exhibition *Wet eyed sissies* at Bus Projects, in which Babington featured work by Burrow and Joseph, *AFFIDAVIT VITO ACCONCI* emerges obliquely from the theme of 'female/queer delinquency' to reconsider the radical potential of gendered bravado as an active rebellion against the structural apparatuses that motivate good citizenry and that reproduce normative power relations.

Brooke Babington is an artist, writer and curator. Her work frequently engages in ideological critique, exploring power and social dynamics, language and the mythology of the artist/exhibition.

From 2013–2014 Babington was the Director of Slopes, a twelve-month, not for profit project space in Melbourne. Recent exhibitions include, *Wet eyes sissies* (featuring Lauren Burrow and Rebecca Joseph), Bus Projects (2016); *No Nuisance*, The Alderman (2015); *What Has (Has Not)*, TCB Art Inc., (2013); *Synonyms for Sincerity*, Alaska Projects, (2013). Babington's curatorial projects include, *Thin Air*, Slopes (2014); *Why Not Walk Backward?* (with Liang Luscombe), Gertrude Contemporary, (2014); *Between Being and Doing* (with Melissa Loughnan), Utopian Slumps, (2013).

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44 GLASSHOUSE ROAD, COLLINGWOOD
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