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IN THE ATTIC PROJECT LAUNCHES INAUGURAL EXHIBITION, *YOU LIVE IN ME*

(TORONTO – MAY 29, 2015) *You Live in Me* opens on June 17 at Gallery 50, and will be on view until June 21. This is the first exhibition by *In The Attic*, a collaboration between emerging designer, Evan Jerry, and emerging artist, Yshia Wallace.

This body of work is the culmination of inward journeys undertaken by both artists in their respective searches for the ghost of childhood. Children lose their innocence. The shocks of existence are revealed to us in stages, and at each stage we must pay a toll. This coming of age continues through adulthood and into old age, but the transitions of childhood seem to haunt us most deeply. Wallace's gouache paintings are portals into the ghost child's world, while Jerry's sculptural piece, *Beast*, is a reconciliation with something lost.

ABOUT IN THE ATTIC PROJECT

Yshia Wallace and Evan Jerry conceived of *In the Attic Project* in 2014 as a ground for cross-pollination between their respective disciplines of visual art and design. In the past year it has become an avenue for Wallace and Jerry to explore an imagined psychological space, the attic, where they can feel around in the darkness for whatever treasures and monsters lie hidden. The desire to share personal narratives, histories, identities and traumas is a reaction to feelings of fear, shame and detachment that Wallace and Jerry have experienced internally and in their environments. Through these acts of vulnerability the two hope to build connection and engagement.

YSHIA WALLACE BIO

Through her practice that includes painting and sculpture Yshia Wallace explores the ways uncertainty shapes the behaviour of individuals and the human species. She has a BA in English Literature from McGill University, has participated in an artist residency at The Banff Centre, and has exhibited in Toronto and Montreal.

EVAN JERRY BIO

Evan Jerry is a Toronto based artist and designer who uses space and objects to preserve the experiences, memories and cultural influences that shape identity. Evan has completed his BA at Ryerson University's School of Interior Design, has studied at Aalto University in Finland and apprenticed as an artist for exhibits in Helsinki, Stockholm and Berlin.

LOCATION

Gallery 50
50 Gladstone Ave, Toronto, ON M6J 3K6, Canada
www.gallery50.ca

EXHIBITION DATES

June 17 – 21, 2015
Opening reception: Thursday, June 18, 5-8pm

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