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St. John's University, Department of Art and Design 2017 Senior Exhibition

The Department of Art and Design is proud to announce the opening of *Why It Matters*, the Department's 2017 Senior Exhibition, featuring work from the Senior Design and Thesis Seminar classes. This exhibit is hosted and made possible through the cooperation of Dorsky Gallery Curatorial Programs (DGCP) in Long Island City, marking a seven-year-long partnership between the two institutions.

The aesthetically and conceptually accomplished Thesis Seminar work in *Why It Matters*, taken broadly, investigates the necessity of visual art in a time when individual creative impulses are often in dialogue with larger societal issues. Personal and cultural identity, faith, anxiety, and the environment are a few of the concerns that inform the work in this exhibition. The material manifestations of these explorations embrace diverse creative techniques and strategies that range from sculpture, installation, and video to drawing, painting, and book-making.

Students in Senior Design focus on developing a product or service in response to the challenge of whether a design intervention could benefit a particular market sector and/or act as an agent of change. They then build a number of designed outputs to help realize their ideas.

Participating Artists:

Thesis Seminar:
Cory Bennett, Noel Calvo, Alissa Chen, Brittany King, Luke Kuller, Jon Manarang,
Faith McCallion, Barbara Spizzirri, Kathryn Sullivan

Senior Design:
Cory Bennett, Rebecca Brooker, Daniela Carusone, Idalea Cinquemani, Justine Comeau,
Jon Manarang

Dates:

Exhibition: April 22 – April 30, 2017
Reception: Saturday, April 22, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Gallery Hours:

Thursday – Monday, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday – Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location:

Dorsky Gallery Curatorial Programs
11-03 45th Avenue
Long Island City, NY 11101
www.dorsky.org