Sliding Into the Future: An Exhibition of Deaccessioned Slides

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Curatorial Statement

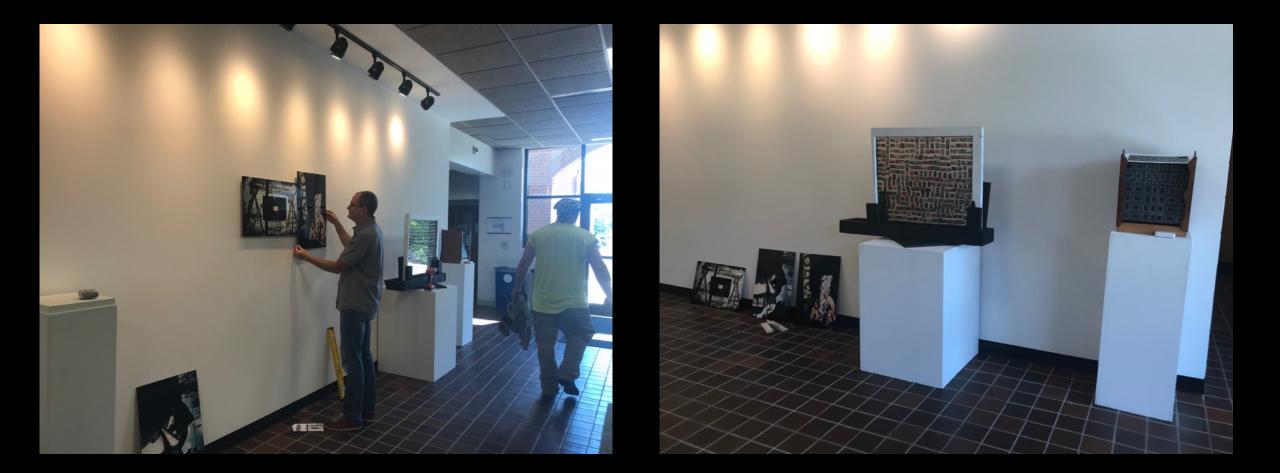
Until the advent of digital images, slides reigned supreme at university art departments. Lectures were accompanied by the white noise of whirls, hums, and the clicks of slides dropping into place in the carousel. When not being used for class, slides were stored in slide libraries. Every art department had one. Housed in metal drawers, slides were typically organized by region and date and were used by both professors and students for their image needs.

Following a path blazed by numerous other slide libraries, the art department deaccessioned the vast majority of its slides last year. This exhibition celebrates Miami's former slide library by giving the slides housed there new purpose. Instead of simply throwing the slides away, we invited artists to create work that either incorporated or responded to them. Artists were given no other direction or specifications. This is what they came up with.



Kate Rowekamp

AstroCat mixed media 12" x 12" 2018



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L to R: Joomi Chung, Landscape from the Archives, ink drawing on clear acrylic sheet 4"x 8" with varying thickness, 2018; Saad Ghosn, From Light to Darkness: Our World's New Reality, mixed media construction, 24" x 18" x 8", 2018; Sarah Rodriguez, Untitled, acrylic paint, 3 5" x 5" panels, 2018; Josie Masset, 150 Years, What Was it Like Back Then?, We Can Sit and Talk *Here,* micron pen and watercolor on glass slide, 2" x 2" each, 2018; Kate Rowekamp, AstroCat, mixed media, 12" x 12", 2018; cris cheek, Untitled, digital photographs mounted on metal, 3 16" x 20" panels, 2018 Zackary "Blade" Hill, *Tiny* Architecture, found objects, glue, and plastic, 36" x 34" x 6", 2018

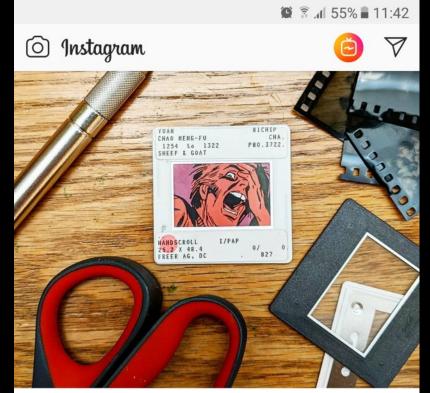


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L to R: Geoff Riggle, Untitled, mixed media, variable dimensions, 2018, Gabrielle Roach, Wobbly, acrylic and oil on canvas, 8.25" x 5.5" 36" x 48", 2018; Casey Dressell, Amazing, collaged fabric and wood, 21.5" x 31.5", 2018; Ashley Carroll, Untitled, mixed media, 4 16" x 20" panels, 2018; Billy Simms, Untitled slides, slide projector, and watercolor paint, variable dimensions, 2018



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