

## GENESIS I'M SORRY

June 21 – August 10, 2007

*Kai Althoff & Lutz Braun, Julie Becker, Patterson Beckwith, Merlin Carpenter & Melanie Gilligan, Guy de Cointet, Nancy Garcia, Oliver Husain, Michael Krebber, Richard Maxwell, No Neck Blues Band, Rudolf Schwarzkogler, Seth Shapiro, Gedi Sibony, Jack Smith, Josh Smith*

Greene Naftali Gallery will present a group exhibition which theatrically stages and re-stages itself over the course of its run. Beginning with a three-day premiere of a new dance work by Nancy Garcia, the show will then begin to install itself on June 25th (with a large stage by Kai Althoff and Lutz Braun) and will change week by week.

The artists in the exhibition each uniquely employ artistic strategies, like staging devices, to evoke the complex natures of their respective practices. Along with many contemporary artists, *Genesis I'm Sorry* will include historical works by seminal artists Rudolf Schwarzkogler, Guy de Cointet, and Jack Smith—three artists whose distinct practices all operate fundamentally in the realm of theatrical gestures, traces of which can be found in the contemporary works of Oliver Husain, Kai Althoff, Michael Krebber, among others.

*Genesis I'm Sorry* will additionally feature artists who work primarily in mediums other than visual art. Such artists include: Richard Maxwell who is a celebrated playwright who will present a new video; Seth Shapiro is an expatriate fashion designer whose label American Manufacturing held considerable influence on downtown New York fashion in the 1990s; Nancy Garcia's work is not only involved in dance but also in the presently expanding international experimental/noise music community, as is the collective No-Neck Blues Band. Along with performances by Garcia and No-Neck, the exhibition will feature an evening photo-booth event by Patterson Beckwith. Beckwith was the organizer of the 1990's art collective, Art Club 2000, and in addition to the photo-booth, he will also present two conceptual photo series in the show.

Many of the exhibition's artists will make new projects specifically for the exhibition. London-based Merlin Carpenter & Melanie Gilligan will produce a new poster work. New York artists Gedi Sibony and Josh Smith will each make site-specific interventions at different points during the show, whose formal qualities will vary given the introduction of other works into the gallery space.

Events include:

### NANCY GARCIA "NO KEYS" DANCE PERFORMANCE

Thursday June 21st: 3pm & 7pm

Friday June 22nd: 3pm & 7pm

Saturday June 23rd: 1pm & 4pm

### ARTIST RECEPTION, SCREENINGS BY RICHARD MAXWELL AND OLIVER HUSAIN, PHOTO BOOTH WITH PATTERSON BECKWITH (4-8pm)

Friday July 13th: 6-8pm

### NO NECK BLUES BAND

Tuesday July 24th: 8pm

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