Two Spring Exhibitions and an On-Site Installation to Open at University at Albany Art Museum

February 1 through April 6, 2019
Artists' Reception: Friday, February 1, 5 – 7 pm

we are here. Nicole Cherubini and Carrie Schneider: Rapt. In addition, as part of an ongoing series of on-site projects, Louise Lawler: Birdcalls 1972/81 will be featured in the Museum’s entrance and lobby. From elegant and powerful ceramic sculptures by Cherubini, to deft and intimate photography and video by Schneider, to the feminist work Birdcalls by seminal artist Lawler, the Museum proposes new forms of engagement for visitors through thought and action.

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Motivated by Linda Nochlin’s 1971 historical text “Why Have There Been No Great Women Artists?,” Carrie Schneider: Rapt will feature Schneider’s ongoing photographic series Reading Women. From 2012-2014 the artist approached one

hundred friends—including artists, writers, and musicians—to read a book of their choice, written by a woman author, while she captured the process on film. The exhibition invites the public and the student body to read the featured titles in the galleries. Schneider will also exhibit large-scale and intimate photographic works that build on the artist’s conceptual engagement with the medium.

Louise Lawler’s audio recording and text *Louise Lawler: Birdcalls 1972/81* will be featured in the Museum’s entrance and lobby. Lawler conceived the work early in her career while collaborating on a project on the Hudson River piers in lower Manhattan. Having to leave the site late at night and growing frustrated with the way male and female labor was valued, Lawler resolved to loudly mimic the names of her famous male colleagues in the form of birdcalls. The audio recording sounds the names of 28 artists alphabetically and will be played on a continuous loop. The names are also prominently displayed in text form on a banner in the main entrance.

**Nicole Cherubini** was born in 1970 in Boston, Massachusetts. She lives and works in Hudson and Brooklyn, New York. Selected solo exhibitions include *the love tapes, a retrospective* at Retrospective in Hudson, New York (2016); *Golden Specific* at Samson Projects in Boston, Massachusetts (2015); 500 at the Perez Art Museum in Miami, Florida (2014); Spence Projects in New York City (2014); Tracy Williams Ltd in New York City (2012); *Project Room* at the Santa Monica Museum of Art in Santa Monica, California (2009); and the Institute of Contemporary Art in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (2007).

Selected group exhibitions include Jack Hanley Gallery, New York City (2016); *A Whisper Where It Came From* at the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art in Kansas City, Missouri (2016); *Chain, Chain, Chain* at BISCHOFF/WEISS in London, England (2011) and *Irrational Profusion* at PS 1/MOMA in Queens, New York (2007).

**Carrie Schneider** was born in 1979 in Chicago, Illinois. She is a visual artist working in photography and film based in Brooklyn and Hudson, New York. Selected solo exhibitions and screenings include *Moon Drawings* at Monique Meloche Gallery in Chicago, Illinois (2017); *Reading Women* at the California Museum of Photography in Riverside, California (2015); *Burning House/Chapas*, with composer Cecilia Lopez at Galería Alberto Sendrós in Buenos Aires, Argentina (2013); and *Slow Dance* at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago, Illinois (2009).

Selected group exhibitions include *Still Life* at September Gallery in Hudson, New York (2018); *Changjiang International Photography & Video Biennale* at the Changjiang Museum of Contemporary Art in Chongqing, China (2017); *The Making of a Fugitive* at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago, Illinois (2016); and *On Photography*, curated by LaToya Ruby Frazier, at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey (2013).

**Louise Lawler** was born 1947 in Bronxville, New York. She lives and works in Brooklyn, New York. Selected solo exhibitions include *She’s Here* at Sammlung Verbund in Vienna (2018); *AFTER* at Campoli Presti in Paris (2018); *WHY PICTURES NOW* at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City (2017); The High Line Billboard in New York City (2014); *No Drones* at Metro Pictures in New York City, at Sprueth Magers in Berlin and London, at Yvon Lambert in Paris, at Galerie Greeta Meert in Brussels and at Studio Guenzani in Milan (2014); and *Adjusted* at Museum Ludwig in Cologne, Germany (2013).

Selected group exhibitions include *MOCA Pacific Design Center* in Los Angeles; 33rd Bienal de Sao Paulo; the Hirshhorn Museum in Washington, D.C.; the National Portrait Gallery in London; the Grand Palais in Paris; The Whitney Museum of American Art in New York City; the Walker Art Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota; *Greater New York* at MoMA PS1 in New York City; the Hammer Museum in Los Angeles, California; and *Documenta 12* at Aue-Pavillion in Kassel, Germany.
Spring 2019 Public Programs:

Art Lab
Create hands-on projects related to exhibitions on view with teaching artist Christine Snyder (MFA ’16)
Saturdays; February 2, March 2, March 30, 1 – 3 p.m.
Free and open to the public. Appropriate for all ages.

Artist Talk with Photographer Oliver Wasow
Tuesday, February 5, 4:30 p.m.

Art, Women, Race, and Class Reading Group
Read/Gather/Discuss: Angela Davis’s *Women, Race, and Class* (1981)
Every Wednesday, February 6 – April 3, noon – 1 p.m.

Artist Talk with Carrie Schneider
Gallery walk-through and conversation.
Tuesday, February 19, 4:30 p.m.

Yoga in the Museum
Yoga Care: The Capital Region’s Traveling Yoga Studio will host classes for all levels.
Saturday, February 23, noon – 1:15 p.m., taught by Meaghan Hogan
Saturday, March 23, noon – 1:15 p.m., taught by Carrie Will
Donations welcome.

Wikipedia Edit-a-thon
Bring your laptop to update Wikipedia entries on gender, art, and feminism. An all-day community event. Guests can stay for under an hour or for the entire day.
Tuesday, February 26, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Co-sponsored by Information Literacy Department, University Libraries.

The Creative Life: Susan Orlean
Acclaimed author in conversation with WAMC’s Joe Donahue
Friday, March 1, 8 p.m.
UAAlbany Performing Arts Center
Co-sponsored by New York State Writers Institute and UAlbany Performing Arts Center.

Artist Nicole Cherubini in Conversation with UAlbany Faculty
Exhibiting artist Cherubini delves into topics of art and gender politics with art historians Rakhee Balaram and Sarah Cohen,
Department of Art and Art History
Tuesday, March 26, noon – 1 p.m.

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For additional programming announcements, please check the Museum website.
News Release:

Museum Hours:
Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday, noon – 4 p.m.

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