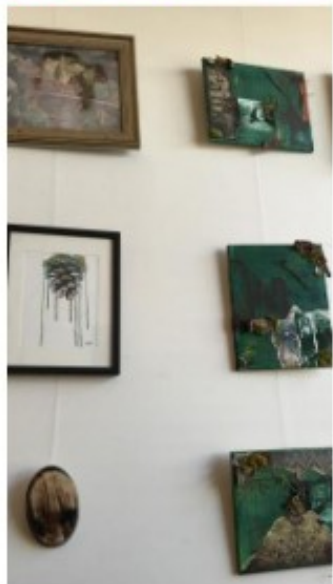


LOST CONNECTIONS



LOST CONNECTIONS EXHIBITION FEATURES THE ART OF CHRISTY O'CONNOR, ANDREA B. D'ALESSANDRO AND KATE EGGLESTON

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Monmouth ArtSpace 105
(Red Bank, NJ, April - June 2016):
Opening Reception
Friday, April 15, 5:30-7:30pm

Monmouth Arts' member gallery, ArtSpace 105, presents its first mixed media exhibition, **Lost Connections**, featuring local artists **Christy O'Connor**, **Andrea B. D'Alessandro** and **Kate Eggleston**. Through sculpture and photography, **Lost Connections** investigates the disconnect that we experience by being connected to technology: "In our current age of constant connectivity through technology, we isolate ourselves from our own communities. As we reach out further, and continue to connect ourselves through various forms of communication, we continue to disconnect from our environments, both physically and psychologically. **Lost Connections** examines the notion of bringing distant communities together, while collapsing the closest communities of family and neighbor. As we build upon those distant communities, we allow our physical surroundings to crack and deteriorate."

Lost Connections will be on display at ArtSpace 105 from April through June. Check out the artists' work online for more information and to get a sneak peek their work:

Christy O'Connor works with various materials, including found and repurposed objects. She experiments with process and materials, creating mixed media works and sculpture. O'Connor's work has a dark underlying tone to it, which has a very organic feeling. Her work is meant to evoke feelings of discomfort and loss, through imagery that balances on a fine line of beauty and delicacy, and corrosive harshness.

O'Connor received her BA in Visual Art from Ramapo College of NJ in 2006. After a seven year hiatus from art, she began creating works again and participating in various exhibitions. She lives in and works in central New Jersey.

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Andrea B. D'Alessandro pushes the boundaries in photography by playing with exposures and watercolors. Andrea's long and double exposure images conjure feelings of enchantment, while her splashes of paint turn her monochrome images into something quite out of the ordinary.

Andrea B. D'Alessandro received her BFA in Photography from The University of The Arts Philadelphia in 2012. She has displayed her art in solo and group exhibitions in the New York metropolitan area and the Delaware Valley region. Andrea currently lives at the Jersey Shore where she works as a documentary and wedding photographer.

Online Portfolio: [ABD-Photography.com](#)
[www.facebook.com/photographyabd](#)

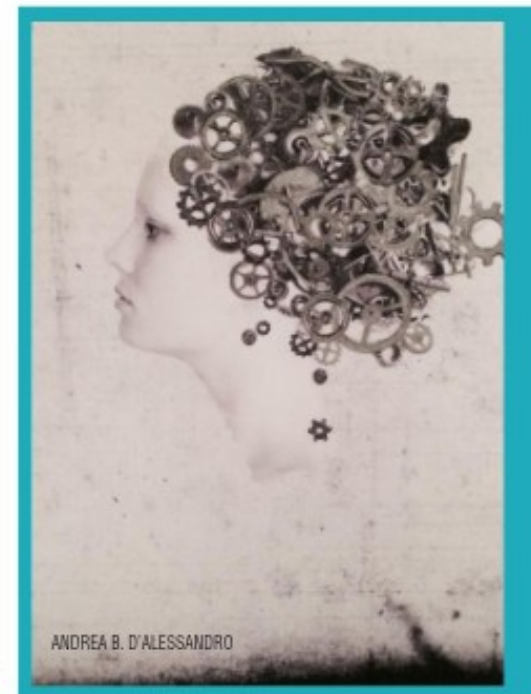
Kate Eggleston employs found objects, textiles, and homespun techniques to create work about gender roles, motherhood, and sexuality with a mix of whimsy and aggression. Her latest work, *Automaton*, is a collaborative installation with long-time friend and artist Christy O'Connor (shown at Artworks Trenton 2016). At the intersection of technology and feminism, *Automaton* is a manifestation of identity and gender degradation.

Eggleston received her BA in Visual Art from Ramapo College of NJ in 2005. She attended artist residencies at *_gaia studio* (Wonder Women 9: Superfood) in 2015 and the Tyler School of Art at Temple University (Summer Sculpture Intensive) in 2012. She lives and works in central New Jersey with her family.

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Monmouth ArtSpace 105 is free and open to the public during our office hours Monday thru Friday 9:30 am-4:30 pm and during Red Bank Visitor's Center hours Saturday and Sunday from 11:00 am-4:00 pm. Opening Reception will be held on Friday, April 15 from 5:30-7:30 pm. The exhibition runs through June 30, 2016.



Monmouth Arts, a 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1971, is the official Arts Agency of Monmouth County. The programs of Monmouth Arts are made possible in part through funding from the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

Monmouth Arts' mission is to enrich the community by inspiring and fostering the arts. Monmouth Arts strengthens small and emerging arts organizations with grants and workshops, engages over 2,000 teen artists, arts educators and professional artists at the annual Monmouth Teen Arts Festival and Arts Education Awards, connects businesses, government and arts groups through the MoCo Arts Corridor Partnership and advocates for the arts on a local, federal and state level.

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