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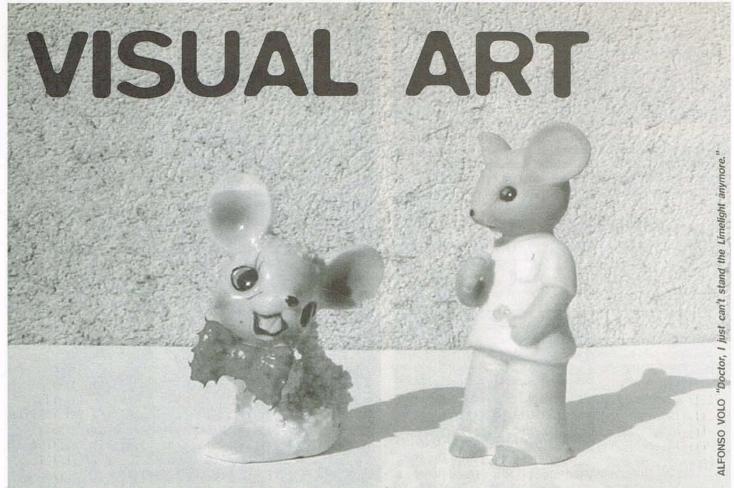
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April 16 to May 31, 2005 CARLO CESTA ALLEN C. TOPOLSKI ALFONSO VOLO

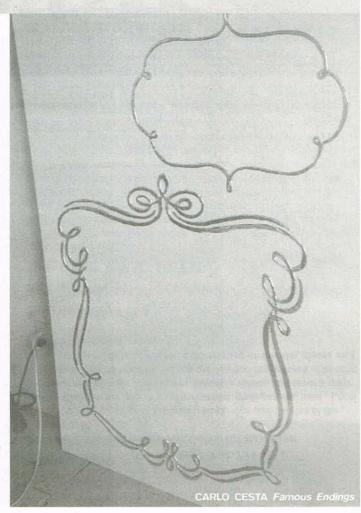
Opening: Saturday, April 16, 6:30 to 11 pm (following CEPA's opening earlier that evening)

Beyond/In Western New York 2005—the expanded biennial exhibition founded by the Albright-Knox Art Gallery in 1977 as In Western New York—will showcase new works by 58 emerging and established artists from the bi-national region of Southern Ontario, Canada, and Western and Central New York in 13 venues across Western New York.

Hallwalls' feature exhibition for Beyond/In WNY will present sculptural work by Carlo Cesta (Toronto), Allen C. Topolski (Rochester) and Alfonso Volo (Buffalo). Pursuing three highly distinctive practices, the works of these artists will converge in an arena of unexpectedly shared sensibilities. Carlo Cesta's ornate industrial modernism meets Allen Topolski's gently-ambiguous appliance/furniture objects meets Al Volo's quixotic series of variously-realized vignettes. Domesticity, adornment, industry, pathos, found objects, the aroma of a past vaguely remembered, a whiff of the future, and the fragrance of works fully inhabiting the present.

In each, there is a remarkable concision of gesture, offering up objects that we ought to recognize, but can no longer, in these subtly re-imagined versions. They are inclining toward the viewer's deeper association with these forms and the shared artistic sensibility between the three may be the sly deception within their methods, the means by which simple-seeming things express much more than originally anticipated: a graffittied garage door, dollar store knick-knacks, wrought iron, furry plaques, rubber gaskets, cabinets, automotive tape, old appliances, ultra low-tech animation...and big brains!

Beyond/In Western New York 2005 is made possible through the generous support of Judge and Mrs. John T. Elfvin, Northtown Automotive Companies, and The Baird Foundation. Additional support has been provided by Consulate General of Canada, Buffalo/Consulat general du Canada, Buffalo, Hadley Exhibits Inc., M&T Bank, Lumsden and McCormick LLP, The Premier Group, and an anonymous donor.





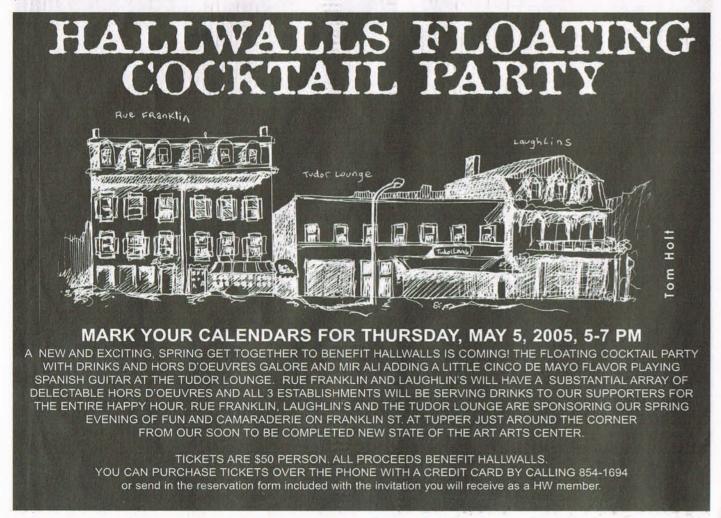
Friday and Saturday, May 6 & 7 • 8:00 p.m. Hallwalls and Resurrection Music present:

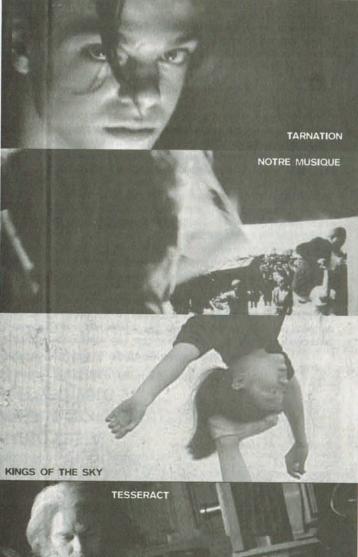
## PETER BRÖTZMANN'S CHICAGO TENTET

@ The Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society
25 Nottingham Court, Buffalo N.Y. ADMISSION IS FREE!

Peter Brötzmann (tenor sax, taragato, clarinet), Ken Vandermark (tenor sax, bass clarinet), Mats Gustaffson (baritone/tenor sax)
Magnus Broo (trumpet), Joe McPhee (trumpet/valve trombone), Per-Ake Holmlander (tuba), Fred Longberg-Holm (cello)
Kent Kessler (contrabass), Michael Zerang (drums), Paal Nilsen-Love (drums)

That's right! Hallwalls and Resurrection Music present two nights of **Brötzmann's** colossal big band of Chicago music stalwarts and international troubadours known as the **Chicago Tentet**, a veritable "Who's Who" of the contemporary improvising scene's cutting edge. Though the group is clearly guided by Brötzmann's aesthetics, it has always remained a collaborative ensemble. This has allowed the band to explore an exceptional range of structural and improvising tactics. The group employs almost every contemporary approach to composing and organizing music for an improvising unit. This diversity in compositional style has led the Tentet in an extremely multifaceted direction. During a performance, it explores intensities that range from spare introspection to all-out walls of sound. The ongoing creative intensity of **Peter Brötzmann and the Chicago Tentet** stems from the fact that they continue to ask, "What's next?" They look for an answer to this question every time they perform.





# BRIGHT SCREENS: NEW FEATURE FILMS Hallwalls presents four special screenings of new feature films at the Market Arcade Film & Arts Centre (MAFAC), 639 Main Street, Buffalo. PLEASE NOTE THAT EACH FILM WILL BE SCREENED ONLY ONCE, AT THE TIME LISTED.

Thursday, March 24 at 7 p.m.

NOTRE MUSIQUE (France, 79min., 2004) by JEAN-LUC GODARD In French, English and Spanish with subtitles

Godard, the father of new wave cinema, has never stopped producing challenging and mystifying works and his latest is no exception. A film in three parts (Hell, Purgatory, Paradise), NOTRE MUSIQUE weaves real and imaginary characters, including the director, into a complex commentary on civilization, war and its aftermath, and the possibilities of peace.

#### Thursday, March 31 at 7 p.m.

TARNATION (USA, 90 min., 2004) by JONATHAN CAOUETTE
Caouette has been documenting his life since he was eleven years old. With
TARNATION he makes the most of a psychedelic whirlwind of snapshots, Super-8
home movies, answering machine messages, video diaries, early short films,
snippets of 80s pop culture and dramatic reenactments. Domestic drama, gay selfexploration, and teenage angst all coalesce in this diary film that is more than a

Thursday, April 7 at 7 p.m.

sum of its parts.

BRIGHT LEAVES (USA, 105 min., 2003 by ROSS MCELWEE BRIGHT LEAVES is an autobiographical meditation on the allure of cigarettes and their troubling legacy for North Carolina. It explores the notion of legacy and how this can be a particularly complicated topic when the legacy is a Southern one tied to take 200.

Special Sunday Matinee, April 17 at 2 p.m. FILMMAKER IN PERSON

KINGS OF THE SKY (USA, 2004, 68 min.) by DEBORAH STRATMA

Preceded by **TIGHTROPE** (USA, 2005, 3 min.) by MARK LAPORE
An experimental documentary about resistance, balance, and fame, KINGS OF
THE SKY "hovers between a traveler's diary, a visual poem of ethnographic
imagery, and an advocacy video for preserving a traditional art form. It's as if
Stratman ran off, joined the circus and learned a balancing act of her own."—Bill
Stamets, Chicago Sun Times

Deborah Stratman is currently soliciting public responses about FEAR (call toll-free from the US: 1-800-585-1078) and ideas about the best way to evacuate Houston, TX for the Evacuation Route Project. Deborah teaches at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, University of Illinois in Chicago and is currently a visiting instructor at California Institute of the Arts. She is presently working on some short films about falling.

Sunday, April 10 at 4 p.m. PREMIERE

TESSERACT by Alan Rhodes (35mm, 20 mins. 2005) at the Market Arcade Film and Arts Centre, 639 Main Street Admission: \$5
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TESSERACT is the story of Eadweard Muybridge and the rise of the moving photo image told in an experimental, multi-paneled form. Local filmmaker and director Alan Rhodes, principle actors, and several crew members will be on hand to discuss the film and the process of making this short film in Buffalo. For more information on the film, please visit http://www.tesseractfilm.com.

Saturday, May 7 at 8 p.m.

BEYOND/IN WNY screening
Filmmaker DAVID GATTEN in person

Location TBA

Over the last few years **David Gatten's** films have explored the intersection of the printed word and the moving image, while investigating the shifting vocabularies of experience and representation within intimate spaces and historical documents. Through traditional research methods and non-traditional film processes, the films trace the contours of both private lives and public histories, combining elements of philosophy, biography and poetry with experiments in cinematic forms and narrative structures. Currently **Gatten** is at work on a series of nine films about the division of landscapes, objects, ideas and people; about letters, libraries, ghosts and lovers among the Byrd family of Virginia during the early 18th century. Tonight he will present four films from that nine part series, SECRET HISTORY OF THE DIVIDING LINE: A TRUE ACCOUNT IN NINE PARTS:

MOXON'S MECHANICK EXERCISES, OR, THE DOCTRINE OF HANDY-WORKS APPLIED TO THE ART OF PRINTING (1999, 26 min.)
THE ENJOYMENT OF READING, LOST & FOUND (2001, 14 min.)
SECRET HISTORY OF THE DIVIDING LINE (2002, 20 min.)
THE GREAT ART OF KNOWING (2004, 37 min.)

Saturday May 14 at 8 p.m.

## BEYOND/IN WNY screening SIEW-WAI KOK performance

at Soundlab, 110 Pearl Street, Buffalo

A live performance incorporating sound, voice, and video by Buffalo-based media artist Siew-wai Kok. "Breathe" is a collection of short pieces in video, music and body movement performances exploring "the force of life". The exploration is executed out of passion and a sense of responsibility as an individual (as part of the world), to understand and cherish its own existence. Guest performers: Patrick Cain, Paul Kozlowski, Jax Deluca, and Koji Tambata

Saturday June 4 at 8 p.m.

### BEYOND/IN WNY screening Filmmaker EVE HELLER in person

Place TBI

Eve Heller uses the intricate and particular beauty of black and white 16mm film to carve a space for the viewer away from the frantic pace of the traditional moving image. Sensitive, ruminative, and often disarmingly simple in appearance, these films develop an otherworldly atmosphere where the viewer is invited to grasp the profound in the everyday.

ASTOR PLACE 1997. 16mm. B/W. Silent. 10 minutes.

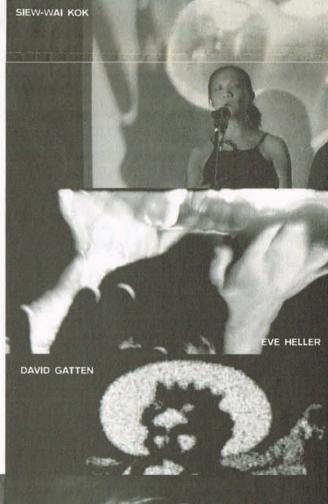
LAST LOST 1996. 16mm. B/W. Sound. 13 minutes.

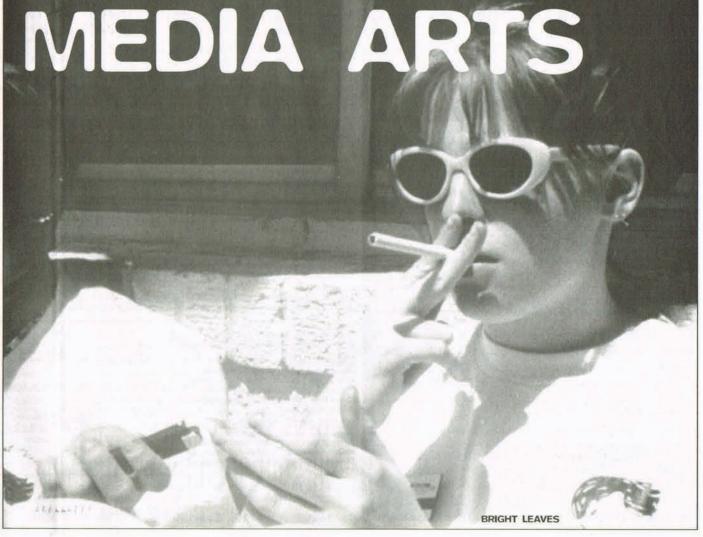
HER GLACIAL SPEED 2001. 16mm. B/W Silent. 5 minutes.

GLINT 2004. 16mm. B/W silent. 5 minutes.

BEHIND THIS SOFT ECLIPSE 2004. 16mm. B/W. Silent. 11 min.

Other work to be determined will also be included in this evening's program.





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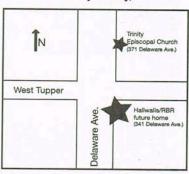
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