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DECAFFEINATED ENJOYMENT

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There is a wonderfully vulgar Jewish joke about a Polish-Jewish wife, tired after a hard day's work; when her husband comes home, also tired, but horny, he tells her: "I cannot make love to you now, but I need a release – can you suck me and swallow my sperm? That would help me a lot!" The wife replies: "I am too tired to do that now darling – why don't you just masturbate into a glass, and I will drink it in the morning!"

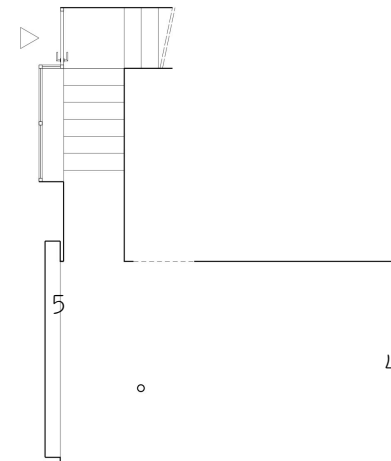
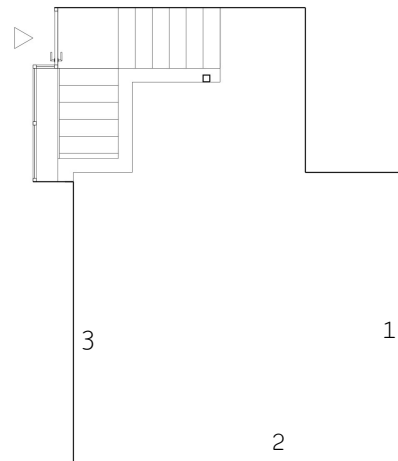
Does this wife – contrary to the cliché about the holistic-intuitive reasoning of women as opposed to the masculine rational analysis – not provide an example of the ruthless feminine use of Understanding, of its power to separate what naturally belongs together?

– Slavoj Žižek, Žižek's Jokes: (Did you hear the one about Hegel and negation?), 2014

DAN SHAW-TOWN lives and works in Brooklyn, NY. He received his MFA from Goldsmiths, London. Solo exhibitions in the USA and Europe include Team Gallery, New York; China Art Objects, Los Angeles; Seventeen, London; Maisterravalbuena, Madrid; Unosunove, Rome; Christopher Crescent, Brussels; and ROOM EAST, New York, where he also participated in a two-person exhibition with Ben Schumacher. A selection of his work was included in the group exhibition "Graphite" at the Indianapolis Museum of Art, for which an interview with Mara Hoberman was published in the exhibition catalogue. Shaw-Town has exhibited twice at Lisson Gallery, London; was included in a group exhibition at Marianne Boesky, New York and has work in the Zabłudowicz Collection. This is his second solo exhibition at ROOM EAST.

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Upstairs:

- (1) a potato peeler and a block of wood 2015
enamel, graphite, paper, photograph,
ink, plexi and newspaper transfer on
aluminum panel with hardware
56 x 48 inches
DST1506
- (2) my DIY toothpaste looks like mud 2015
enamel, graphite, paper, photograph,
plexi and newspaper transfer on aluminum
panel with hardware
56 x 48 inches
DST1505
- (3) rusty magnum 2015
steel, galvanized iron and sharpie
6 x 10 x 5 inches
DST1508

Downstairs:

- (4) the wife replies... 2015
enamel, graphite, plaster and newspaper
transfer on panel with hardware
90 x 84 inches
DST1501

Window:

- (5) Decaffeinated Enjoyment 2015
poster, plexi and hardware on plywood
17 x 14 inches
DST1509



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the wife replies... 2015
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transfer on panel with hardware
90 x 84 inches

DST1501
\$25,000.00

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the wife replies (detail)

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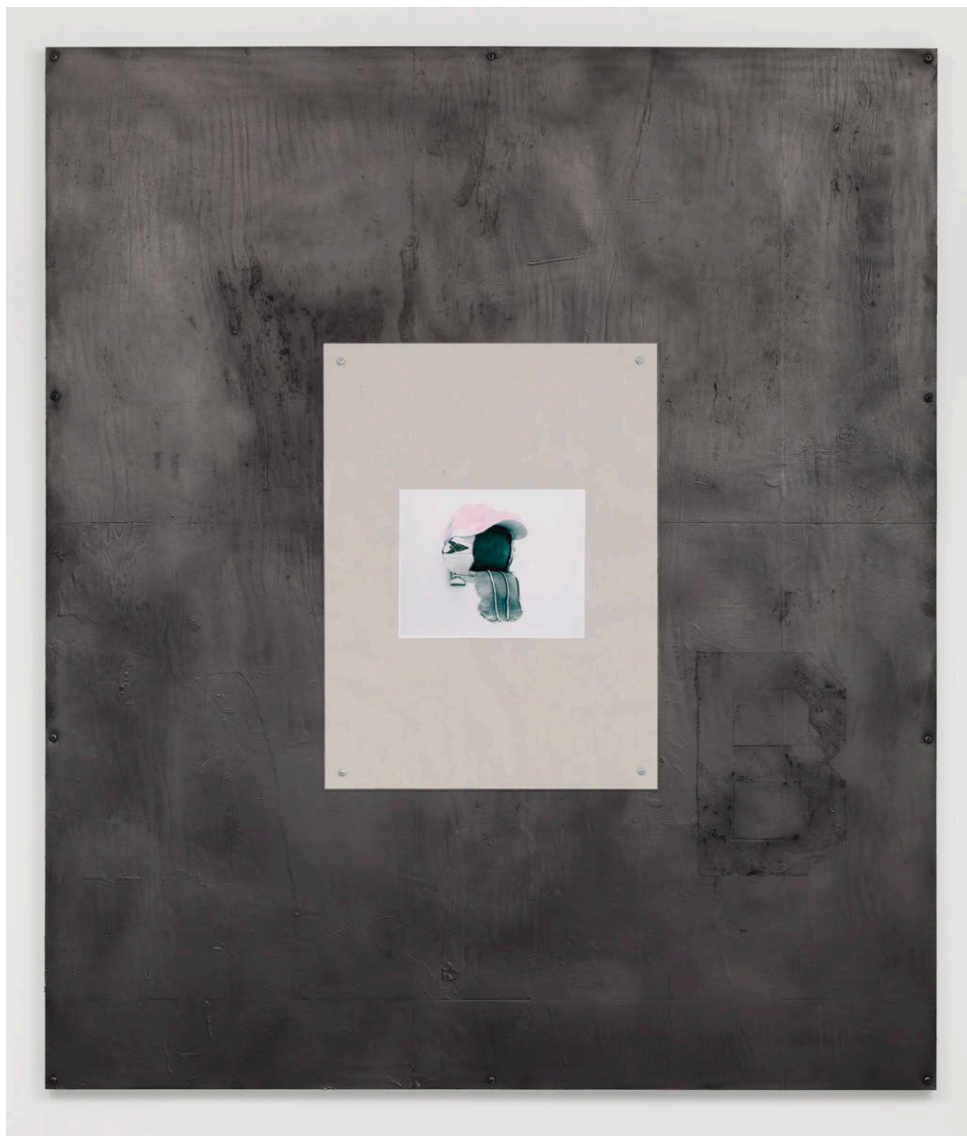


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DAN SHAW-TOWN
umbrellas don't make it rain 2015
enamel, graphite, paper, photograph and
plexi on aluminum panel with hardware
56 x 48 inches

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DAN SHAW-TOWN
célfie 2015
enamel, graphite, newspaper, photograph,
plexi and wax on aluminum panel with
hardware
56 x 48 inches

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DAN SHAW-TOWN

I still buy an xmas tree 2015

enamel, graphite, wax and newspaper
transfer on aluminum panel with hardware
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