

NICODIM

IOANA STANCA + ALEX RATHBONE

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Cartoon Law I

Any body suspended in space will remain in space until made aware of its situation.

Cartoon Law V

All principles of gravity are negated by fear.

Cartoon Law VII

Certain bodies can pass through solid walls painted to resemble tunnels and entrances, while others cannot. This is ultimately a problem of art, not of science.

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Galeria Nicodim Bucharest is pleased to present Ioana Stanca and Alex Rathbone. Stanca's deceptively slick canvases begin with the stigmatized acts of cutting and sewing. Acid-hued pictograms of men and women at leisure separate and dissipate into a smorgasbord of constituent parts, bordering on abstraction—a mimesis of beauty industry advertisement logic nonetheless irresistible in its immediacy, humanized here and there by a stray bit of thread, a jagged edge tracing the fault line of the artist's hand.

Rathbone's somatic figurations leap from canvas and cloth to flame and text, medium-hopping hobos never fully at home in any medium. His cosmology of characters refuse the confines of narrative and slough pretense of meaning in favor of absolute presence, junking up the ur-space of the canvas with toxic skins and flaming locks.

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