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TEAM NOTES

February and March are teeming with activites at Studio XX, so organize your agendas! We are pleased to invite you to the artists presentations we have programmed this winter at Studio XX.

Art Matters Festival

For the fourth year in a row we have the pleaseure of hosting the Art Matters Festival from March 12 to 20, 2016!

31st Grand Prix of the Arts Council of Montreal

We are thrilled to share the good news: Studio XX is one of the nine finalists of the <u>The 31st Grand Prix du</u> <u>Conseil des arts de Montréal</u>. The winner of this important price will be announced on March 24th. We will keep you posted!

Electronic Arts for families continues!

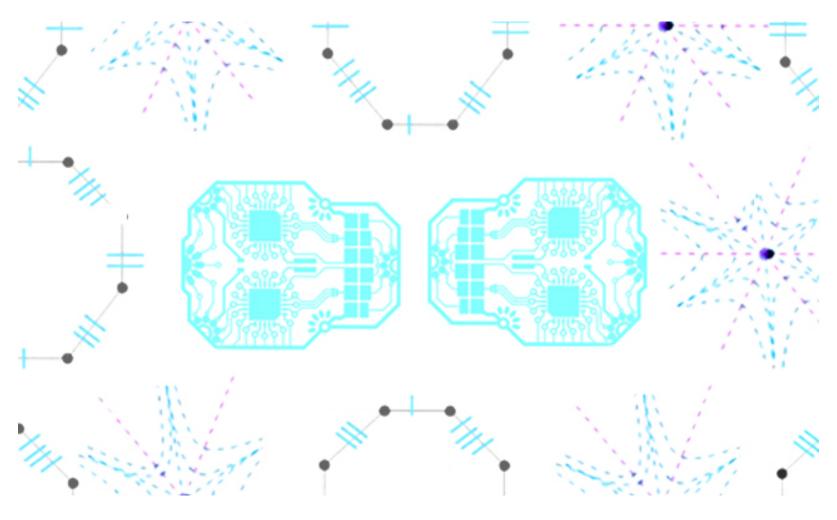
Do not forget, the Electronics Arts for Families Workshops continue and there are some spots left. Please register at: webmestre@studioxx.org

- > Electronic arts and textiles for families with Valérie Lamontagne | February 20th 2016, 2pm-4pm (4 places left)
- > Electronic and kinetic art for families with Alice Jarry | February 27th 2016, 2pm-4pm (1 place left)
- > Electronic arts and sound for families with Stéphanie Castonguay | March 6th 2016, 2pm-4pm (1 place left)

And finally, don't forget, our Call for Proposals and Call for Residencies are still open. Deadline: March 15 2016



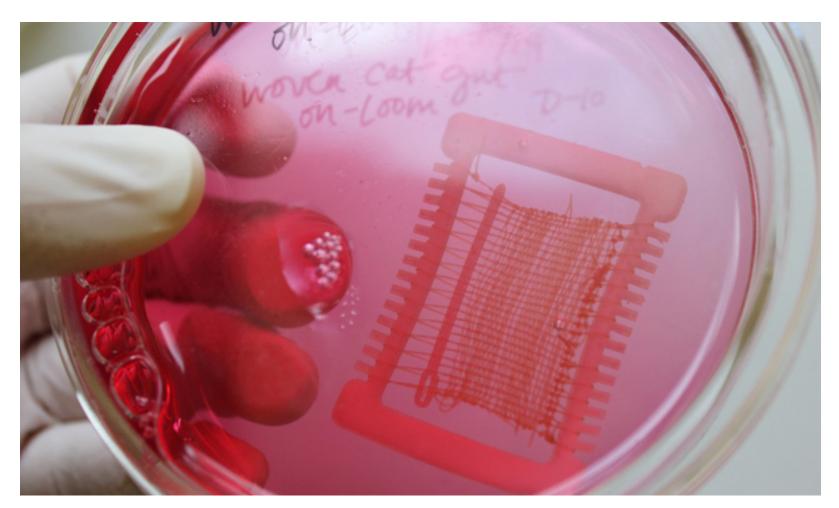
LAUNCH OF THE RESIDENCY PROJECT OF FERNANDA SHIRAKAWA, LAURA SOBENES AND CARINE ROSS



Studio XX is proud to launch a video produced by artists **Fernanda Shirakawa, Laura Sobenes** and **Carine Ross**. Originally from Brazil, these artists developed a Virtual Residency with Studio XX from January 11 to February 20, 2016. Their project is entitled **apt-get install F3M-hack**, and it consists of documentation created with remixed medias to take a virtual portrait of the presence of women, queer and trans persons at hacking environments in 2015/2016, during events in São Paulo (Brazil), Mildenberg (Germany), and Mexico City (Mexico).

The video will be launched on Studio XX's website on February 23th. Do not forget to check it out!

PRESENTATION OF *BIOMATERIA* + *CONTAGIOUS MATTERS* WITH WHITEFEATHER + TRISTAN MATHESON



Thursday February 25, 2016 | 6 PM @ STUDIO XX - 4001, Berri (corner Duluth) space 201 Suggested donation: 2\$, *FREE* for members Refreshments will be served

Studio XX invites you to the presentation of *Biomateria* + *Contagious Matters* with WhiteFeather + Tristan Matheson. Moderator: Sarah Choukah

Biomateria + Contagious Matters are separate but related works that address both the dilemmas of and various potentials for biotechnology in transforming human reality. In this presentation the artists will talk about their ongoing research: WhiteFeather's work comments on the relationship between nonhuman agents (cell forms) and human technological and creative industry through the production of craft-based textile forms enculturated with mammalian tissue cells. Matheson's work directly addresses social behaviors and communication within a biological tissue culture of cancer cells.

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ARTISTS RESIDENCY PRESENTATION : SHAYLA CHILLIAK AND KRISTIN LI



Thursday March 3, 2016 | 6 PM @ STUDIO XX - 4001, Berri (corner Duluth) space 201 Suggested donation: 2\$, *FREE* for members Refreshments will be served

Studio XX is proud to present the project Montreal-based artists **Shayla Chilliak** and **Kristin Li** developed during their residency at Studio XX from January 18 to February 27, 2016.

Smart Room is a work of creative labour in the age of digital reproduction, big data, hyperreality, affective commodities, interactive everything. We build a physical circuit using the currents/currencies of contemporary capital: omniscient technologies of convenience, homo economicus, appropriation with a human face, and of course, coffee. The installation/performance will be open to single visitors, followed by an artists' talk. The piece contains flashing lights.

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ARTISTS PRESENTATION: LEILA ZELLI, SHAINA AGBAYANO + CAROLIN HUANG AND RAH



Thursday March 10, 2016 | 6 PM @ STUDIO XX - 4001, Berri (corner Duluth) space 201 Suggested donation: 2\$, *FREE* for members Refreshments will be served

Studio XX presents a conversation with the artists **Shaina Agbayani + Carolin Huang, Rah, and Leila Zelli**. In this event, these young artists will talk about their recent work dealing with issues of identity, race, religion, and violence. While their video pieces differ in scope and subject matter, a common thread runs parallel in their work: a critical engagement with technologies pushing forward much needed questions around the complexities of living together in societies that discriminate people based on their sexual preferences, religion, and/or race.

Video works by Agbayani & Huang, Rah, and Zelli will be on display in Studio XX's gallery, while Agbayani and Huang will include a culinary experience to reflect on the cultural and historical experience of queer women of colour in Montreal.

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