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with Xiomara Sebastián Castro Niculescu

3-4:30pm ET

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ARTIST TALK

with Amber Hawk Swanson

5-6pm ET

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SEMINAR EPISODE

with Leslie Bow

1-2:30pm ET

Friday, March 31

SEMINAR EPISODE

with Shaka McGlotten

2:30-4pm ET

Saturday, April 1

COOKING SHOW

with Shaka McGlotten

2:30-4pm ET

Sunday, April 2

SEMINAR EPISODE

with Jillian Hernandez

2:30-4pm ET

THS LIVE @ THE NEUBERGER MUSEUM

The Harmony Show (THS) is an ongoing collaboration between iDollator Davecat, his life-size roboticized silicone spouse Sidore Kuroneko, and artist Amber Hawk Swanson. For five consecutive days beginning March 29, 2023

The Harmony Show will film new episodes/performances as part of the exhibition Hard Return: 9 Experiments for this Moment at the Neuberger Museum of Art.

Hard Return is currently in the process of transforming the museum into a site of collaboration, investigation, and performance art. Nine artists including Nao Bustamante, Autumn Knight, Brendan Fernandes, Patty Chang, Jesus Benavente, and Amber Hawk Swanson have been commissioned to create participatory, durational week-long projects that experiment with a sense of being alive in this moment while proposing different ways of shaping and understanding community.

The above is adapted from text authored by *Hard Return* co-curators performance artist Kate Gilmore and art historian Jonah Westerman.

NEUBERGER MUSEUM OF ART

735 Anderson Hill Road, Purchase NY, 10577

on the campus of Purchase College, SUNY

Museum hours

are noon-5pm, Wednesday through Sunday.

Driving directions here.

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THS: SEASON ONE RECAP



Created during the early days of the pandemic as a web-based mode of artistic production foregrounding intellectual inquiry and community-building, *The Harmony Show* delves into issues of personhood, desire, race, queerness, disability, and community in two modalities. The first is a seminar in which an invited scholar presents on their work and discusses it with the show's co-hosts. The second is a cooking show, where a less academically-geared discussion about the same topics can unfold as the guest and hosts prepare a meal designed by a recipe developer who specializes in food's healing properties.

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PROGRAM DETAILS (1 of 3)



Wed, March 29

COOKING SHOW

with Xiomara Sebastián Castro Niculescu

3-4:30pm ET

Xiomara Sebastián Castro Niculescu and Amber will cook a soup recipe authored by Nicole of Heal Me Delicious while sharing conversation with Davecat and Sidore. Semester / Season One of *The Harmony Show* (*THS*) will be discussed as will the seminar episodes that will be performed and filmed at the Neuberger in the days to follow. Castro Niculescu will discuss her own work and the work of *THS* seminar leaders Leslie Bow, Shaka McGlotten, and Jillian Hernandez.

Wed, March 29

ARTIST TALK

with Amber Hawk Swanson

5-6pm **ET**

THS co-creator Amber will deliver an artist talk centering her work with Davecat and Sidore on The Harmony Show as well as her previous collaborations with Davecat, including Sidore (Mark II) / Heather > LOLITA.

PROGRAM DETAILS (2 of 3)



Thurs, March 30

SEMINAR EPISODE

with Leslie Bow

1-2:30pm ET

Scholar Leslie Bow will lead Davecat, Sidore, and Amber in a discussion of two chapters of her book, *Racist Love: Asian Abstraction and the Pleasures of Fantasy*. Bow will additionally screen the short film *Noise* (2022) directed by Julian Castronovo and will share slides that will prompt further discussion of both *Racist Love*, *Noise*, and *The Harmony Show*.

Fri, March 31

SEMINAR EPISODE

with Shaka McGlotten

2:30-4pm ET

Scholar **Shaka McGlotten** will lead Davecat, Sidore, and Amber in a discussion of their current book project *Black Data*. McGlotten has described the project **here**: "*Black Data* will bring the intellectual and political tools from queer of color critique—intersectionality and assemblage theory, an attention to embodiment and the aesthetics of everyday life—to address transformations in the politics of life and death in the early 21st century."

PROGRAM DETAILS (3 of 3)



Sat, April 1

COOKING SHOW

with Shaka McGlotten

2:30-4pm ET

McGlotten and Amber will cook a soup recipe authored by **Nicole of Heal Me Delicious** while sharing conversation with Davecat and Sidore. The previous day's *Black Data* episode will be discussed, and members of the iDollator community may join the discussion via live call-ins.

Sun, April 2

SEMINAR EPISODE

with Jillian Hernandez

2:30-4pm ET

Scholar and curator **Jillian Hernandez** will lead Davecat, Sidore, and Amber in a discussion of her essay "Beauty marks: the Latinx surfaces of loving, becoming, and mourning" after sharing "get ready with me" time during which Hernandez, Davecat, Sidore, and Amber will perform individual grooming rituals while chatting. Hernandez will additionally share a slide talk of artists making work related to the episode title, *High Maintenance Feminisms*.

READING AREAS & RERUNS



During the museum hours that filming is not taking

place, visitors are invited to lounge in one of two reading areas where they may spend time with the recently published books of scholars Leslie Bow, Shaka McGlotten, and Jillian Hernandez. Additionally, Sidore will be Zooming into the gallery.

All episodes filmed as part of *THS at the Neuberger* will be available for free on **theharmonyshow.com** with open captions, audio description precaps, and full transcriptions during May 2023.

ACCESS / CONTACT



A later draft of this packet will provide access information on this page. In the meantime:

For live performance access information, please contact amber@theharmonyshow.com.

For episode access information, please visit *The Harmony Show's* **Access Guide**.

