



PIZZICATO PORNO

WHERE: Ro2 Art Downtown PROJECTS

110 N. Akard St., Dallas, TX 75201

WHEN: Sunday, April 7, 2013, 7pm

ONE NIGHT ONLY

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Dallas, TX (March 20, 2012) — Ro2 Art is proud to present “Pizzicato Porno,” a one-night-only performance by artist/dancer **Danielle Georgiou** and actor/musician **Justin Locklear**. The original work will feature video, live music, and dance. This special event will take place Sunday, April 7, beginning at 7pm. A reception will follow the performance. “Pizzicato Porno” will take place at Ro2 Art's Downtown Projects gallery, located at 110 N. Akard Street, between Main and Elm, on the ground floor of the historic Kirby Building.

Premiering to critical acclaim at the *Rogue Performance Festival* in Fresno, California in March 2013, “Pizzicato Porno” digs at the meat of intimate human interaction. The fragility of honeymoon hormones bleeds onto the dancers head from video into live performance. The dancers fill weather balloons to insulate themselves from one another, and use the distance to project video experiences as meditations on their collective past relationships. Fear and curiosity drives the interaction, displayed by the innocence of physical play, which, in turn, dissolves into lack of communication and distrust. Looping the sounds of live, improvised violin plucking, the chaos of sound sets the mood of a constant stream of thoughts. Tacit emotional reactions set to music. In the end, the relationship of dancers, to each other, to the environment, and to the event, are all seen as a complete, non-linear romance. The relationship is seen as a dance, a construction, and a soft failure – the inherent qualities of any human interaction.

ABOUT THE ARTISTS

Danielle Georgiou is a dancer, choreographer, and video artist based in Dallas, Texas. She was recently selected to represent UT Dallas' graduate program in art at Red Arrow Contemporary's Best of MFA exhibition, and was the first runner-up for the “Dallas Observer Mastermind Award” in 2013. She is the Visiting Scholar in Dance at Eastfield College and the Director of the UT Arlington Dance Ensemble. Danielle is pursuing her PhD in Humanities at the University of Texas at Dallas and is a current Artist-in-Residence at CentralTrak – the UT Dallas Artist Residency program. In 2011, she

founded DGDG (the Danielle Georgiou Dance Group), a performance art dance group that works within ideas of German expressionism and *dans theatre*.

Justin Locklear is an actor, musician, puppeteer, and costumer based in Dallas, Texas. A graduate of the Baylor theatre program, Justin pioneers the *suavante garde* as one of Matthew Posey's Ochre House boys, as well as designing costumes and music for various theatre groups in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. In 2012, he was selected as one of the "13 people to watch in 2013" by FD Luxe, Dallas Culture Map's "5 Best Actors in Dallas," and in 2011, he received the DFW Theater Critics Forum "Emerging Artist Award."

The performance will take place on Sunday, April 7, 2013 at 7:00pm. It is free and open to the public. Photographs and video are welcomed.

About Ro2 Art

Mother-and-son partners Susan Roth Romans and Jordan Roth operate Ro2 Art, a full-service gallery and consultancy with spaces in the Downtown and Uptown areas of Dallas, working with a diverse group of contemporary artists, most with ties to the North Texas Region. At present, Ro2 focuses on the exhibition and sale of work in all visual media, through a fine art gallery at 1408 Elm Street, an intimate Project space, steps away at the historic Kirby Building in Downtown Dallas, and exhibition programs in partnership with The West Village neighborhood of Uptown Dallas and The Town of Addison.

For more information, visit www.Ro2art.com or call Jordan Roth at (214) 803-9575.

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