



The Dragon is the Frame

Inspired by the life and work of Mark Aguilar

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Mark Aguhar, Claire Arctander, Nina Barnett, Jeremy Bolen, Elijah Burgher, Edie Fake, Pamela Fraser, Tiffany Funk, R. E. H. Gordon, Steve Hnilicka, Kasia Houlihan, Mark Kent, Young Joon Kwak, Andrew Mausert-Mooney, Marianna Milhorat, Tim Nickodemus, Aay Preston-Myint, Juana Peralta, Macon Reed, Colin Self, Michael Sirianni, Nathan Thomas, Neal Vandenberg, Xina Xurner and Isaac Fosl-van Wyke, Allison Yasukawa, Gwendolyn Zabicki, and Latham Zearfoss

Artwork from 27 artists inspired by the life and work of the indomitable Mark Aguhar (1987-2012) is presented alongside pieces by this fearless and beautiful artist/activist/goddess. Uncompromising, incisive, and charismatic in her investigations of gender, queer advocacy, and the politics of marginalized identity, Mark deeply transformed the communities of which she was a part. *The Dragon is the Frame* presents the challenging, compelling artwork she created in dialogue with pieces made by those she was closest to in Chicago. The exhibition format, which intersperses Mark's works throughout the installation, is an attempt at capturing the way Mark's communities functioned—individuals in constant communication, always sharing and influencing one another.

- Events:**
- Thursday, July 26, 6pm** *The Dragon is the Frame* Performances
Featuring: R. E. H. Gordon, Steve Hnilicka, Colin Self, Xina Xurner and Isaac Fosl-van Wyke, and documentation videos of performances by Mark Aguhar
 - Saturday, July 28, 5:30pm** Memorial in Tribute to Mark Aguhar
Great Space, 412 South Peoria Street, 5th Floor
 - Saturday, July 28, 7pm** Block Party with music by Chances Dances and Heavy Rotation
Location TBD, please check gallery400.uic.edu/events for details

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