



Autzen Gallery, Portland State University Art Department

Autzen Gallery, Second Floor PSU Neuberger Hall, Room 205, 724 SW Harrison, Portland, Oregon 97201

Gallery Hours: Monday-Friday, 10-5 p.m., or by appointment: rockp@pdx.edu

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## **Flowers for Amy, Flowers by Amy**

### **Josh Mong**

### **PSU MFA Candidate Graduate Exhibition**

Exhibition dates: Sunday, May 22, 2011 – Thursday, June 2, 2011

Opening reception: Sunday, May 22, 2011, 4-8 p.m., with live music by Dr. Amazon at 6:00 p.m.

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MFA Thesis Lecture: Tuesday, May 22, 2011, 5-6 p.m.

Shattuck Hall Annex, 1914 SW Park Ave, Room 198, Portland, Oregon 97201

#### Exhibition Statement

Flowers For Amy is an interdependent social art process initiated by Josh Mong. The structure of the project has been Josh giving his friend, Amy DeWolfe, a bouquet of flowers every week for twenty weeks. Amy in turn created a painting of each group of flowers. Josh documented the process photographically. The show will feature the paintings of flowers and related drawings by Amy, as well as photographs and floral arrangements.

The exhibit will also feature audio components and ephemera acknowledging and derived from Josh Mong's and Amy DeWolfe's collaboration in musical projects.

\*All exhibition visitors are invited/requested to bring and contribute flowers.

#### Biography

Josh Mong is an interdisciplinary artist and thinker. Mong is particularly influenced by love, violence, dreams, and responsibilities. Sculpture, puppets, photography, music, and social mediums have all played important roles in Mong's work. Since 2009 Mong has been pursuing an MFA in Contemporary Practices with a concentration in Social Practice. Mong lives in Portland, Oregon with his partner Lucy Baker and their two sons Henry and Milo.

