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Substance, Substitute, Subsume: *Willia Drew, A Solo Show*

November 29th - December 7th, 2008

Reception: Saturday, November 29th, 8 – 11 PM

Sea and Space Explorations
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Gallery is open **Sundays 1-5 PM** and by appointment

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DIRECTIONS from Los Angeles: From the 5, take the 2 north. Take the Verdugo Road exit. Left onto Eagle Rock Boulevard. Right onto York Boulevard (major cross street is Armadale Boulevard).

Substance, Substitute, Subsume brings into the gallery videos and artifacts from Willia Drew's blog *sub-stance*. Some of the projects that came into existence through maintaining the blog and are included in the show are: *Female Libido Max*, *The Black Eye Project*, *Something Real*, *Secret Moustache* and *DB4V*.

My work investigates the continuities of inside and out, desire and production, and how outside forces of nature, discourse, technology and politics impose an effect on the body. These tensions between the body and space allow for sexual, gendered and spiritual identities to be carved out. Over all, my work is a meditation on the dynamic between the world we see around us and our desire for a fantastical *other*, be it beauty, mythology, romance or truth.

I earned a BFA from the *California Institute of the Arts* with an emphasis in Video Art in 2003. My videos have been shown at galleries and performance spaces in Los Angeles including LACE, Highways, Crazy Space, Bamboo Lane and in Brazil at the MIX Film Festival. I am currently an instructor for Otis College of Art and Design, teaching filmmaking to high school students for Otis' youth outreach program OTEAM.