

# CYDONIA

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**ALAN & MICHAEL FLEMING: *GEMINI***

DALLAS - CYDONIA is pleased to present **ALAN & MICHAEL FLEMING'S SOLO EXHIBITION: *GEMINI***. *GEMINI* OPENS ON FRIDAY, JUNE 26. The RECEPTION will take place from 6:00PM UNTIL 8:00PM. A PERFORMANCE ENTITLED *PILLARS* by the twin artists is SCHEDULED for the following SATURDAY, JUNE 27 starting AT 11AM AT KLYDE WARREN PARK IN THE ARTS DISTRICT. THE SHOW RUNS UNTIL SATURDAY, JULY 31.



*Platform (Banquine)*, 2015, cast cement, 13x13x4". Image courtesy of CYDONIA, the artists.

The much-anticipated exhibition will serve as an important milestone for the duo. Having worked together since they were 20, *Gemini* marks 10 years of collaboration. Works in the exhibition will include both old and new works, demonstrating their interest in Descartes' mind-body split and dualism. Consciousness is not physical. When we encounter the world physically, these thoughts are registered phenomenally. David Chalmers attempts to unpack this "explanatory gap" between objective processes of the brain and subjective experiences. The Flemings' practice, often imbued with boy-ish humor and fun, find their origins within this divide. Between the cerebral and the physical, the artists attempt to collapse, expand, and merge ways of understanding. Information (while immaterial) is embodied in the physical because information is a property of the

material world.

The Flemings's performances reference the human form and its "objecthood," where the viewer is made aware of her surroundings. The artists state: "Using the body as material, we strive to explore the limits and functions of interconnectivity. What makes



us long for a deep connection with others? How does synergy unfold between separate individuals? How can you make transparent the invisible bonds that manifest through collaboration?"

Most importantly, the Flemings' strength often rests in delicate moments of sympathy, unique examples of their connection, underscoring the idea of soul mates, reminding us of our own universal desires to share experience. What is shared is what is real because there is no meaning if meaning is not communal.

*Jean-Luc Nancy's: "Being Singular Plural" posits that one cannot discuss existence (being) without discussing coexistence (being-with). One cannot fully understand their own existence without reflecting on their relationship to other living beings in a shared world. We are all reliant upon and bound to the communities in which we coexist.*

- Alan & Michael Fleming

The public is invited to attend a **RECEPTION HONORING THE ARTISTS STARTING AT 6PM AND ENDING AT 8PM ON FRIDAY, JUNE 26. GEMINI RUNS UNTIL SATURDAY, JULY 31.**

In 2010, Alan and Michael Fleming received their MFAs from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, which they attended together. They have exhibited and performed extensively throughout the United States and in Denmark, Germany, Scotland, the Ukraine, and Brazil. The winner of numerous awards, the twins were awarded a NARS Foundation Fellowship in Brooklyn in 2012. Their last solo show, *Studio Audience*, was at Cindy Rucker Gallery in New York. *Gemini* is their first solo exhibition in the region. The artists live and work in Brooklyn, New York.

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**ALAN & MICHAEL FLEMING'S SOLO EXHIBITION GEMINI** opens on **FRIDAY, JUNE 24**. Their **PERFORMANCE AT KLYDE WARREN PARK** will take place on **SATURDAY, JUNE 25**. The show runs until **SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2015**.

CYDONIA is a contemporary art gallery located in Dallas, Texas focused on supporting the careers of emerging artists whose practices have international relevance. Our mission is to show artists that have cultural and historical significance, conceptual rigor, or are the singular voice of their generation. Our values include service, ethics, and most importantly, posterity.

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Gallery Hours: Tuesday – Saturday: 10:00 – 6:00pm. Other hours available by appointment. For more information, please contact [info@cydoniagallery.com](mailto:info@cydoniagallery.com), call 214-296-4848, or visit [www.cydoniagallery.com](http://www.cydoniagallery.com)

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