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JADE GUANARO  
KURIKI-OLIVO)**

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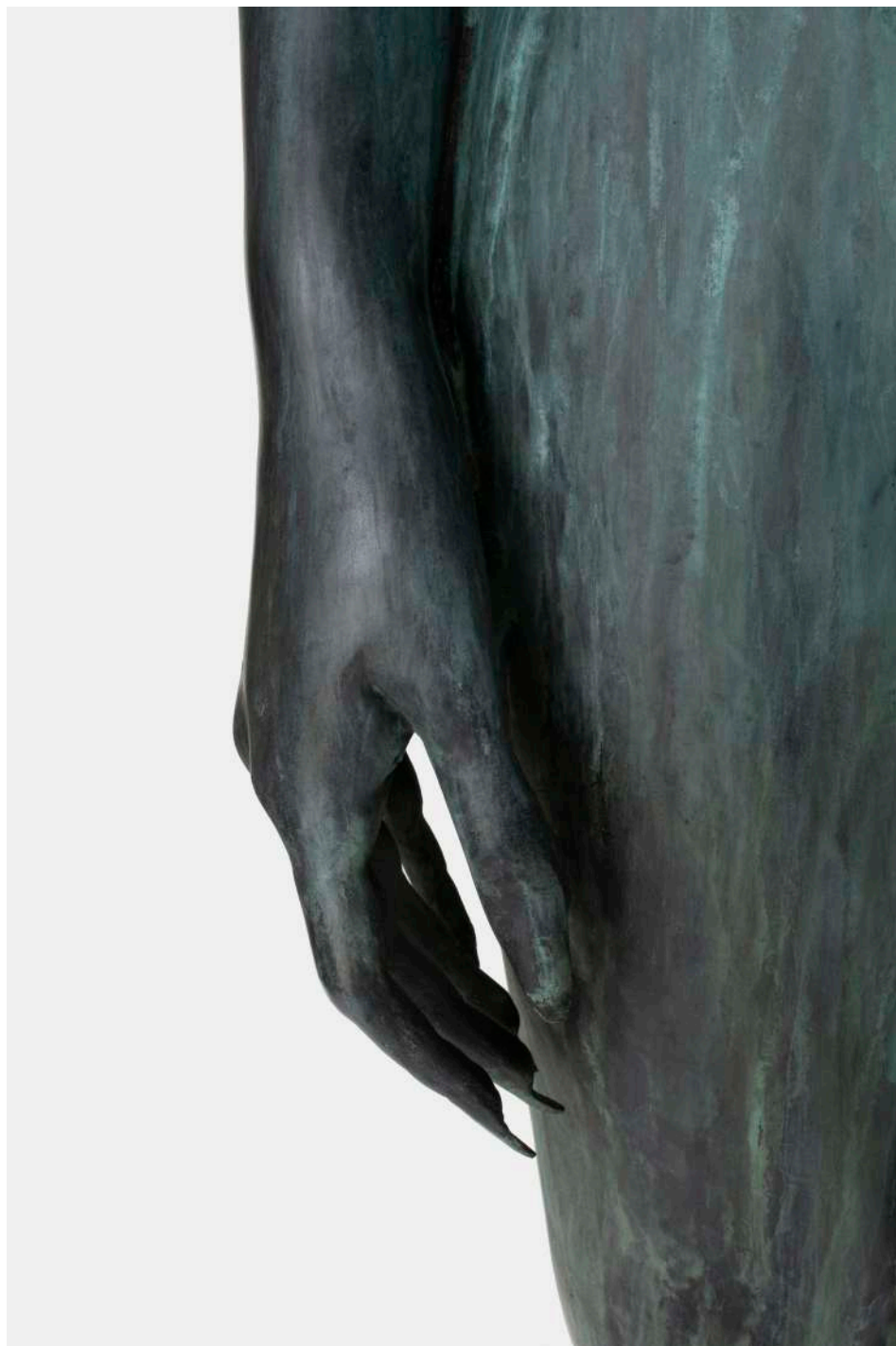
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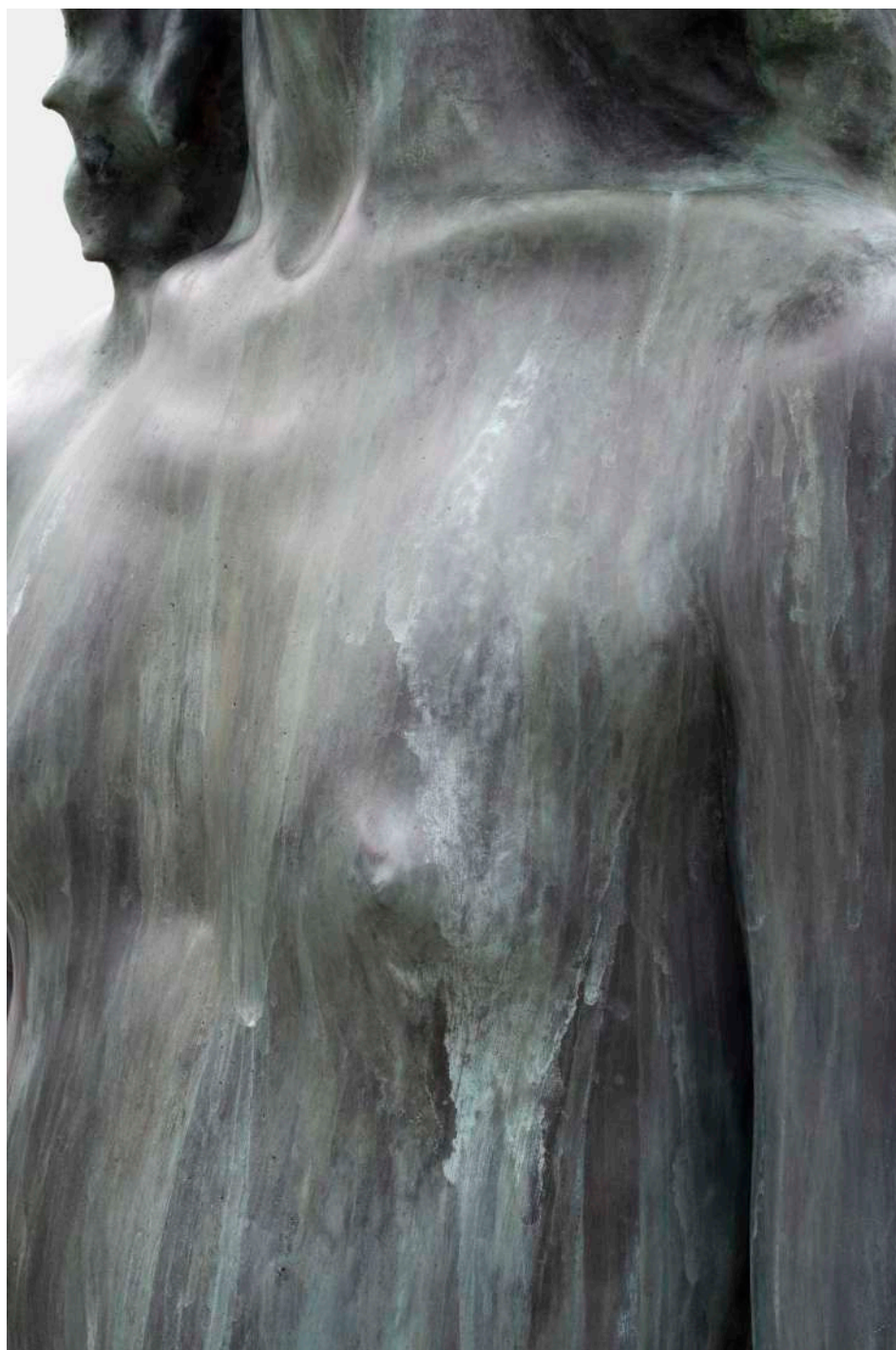
PUPPIES PUPPIES (JADE GUANARO KURIKI-OLIVO)  
*Art Basel Parcours* (June 13 - 19, 2022)  
Basel, Switzerland









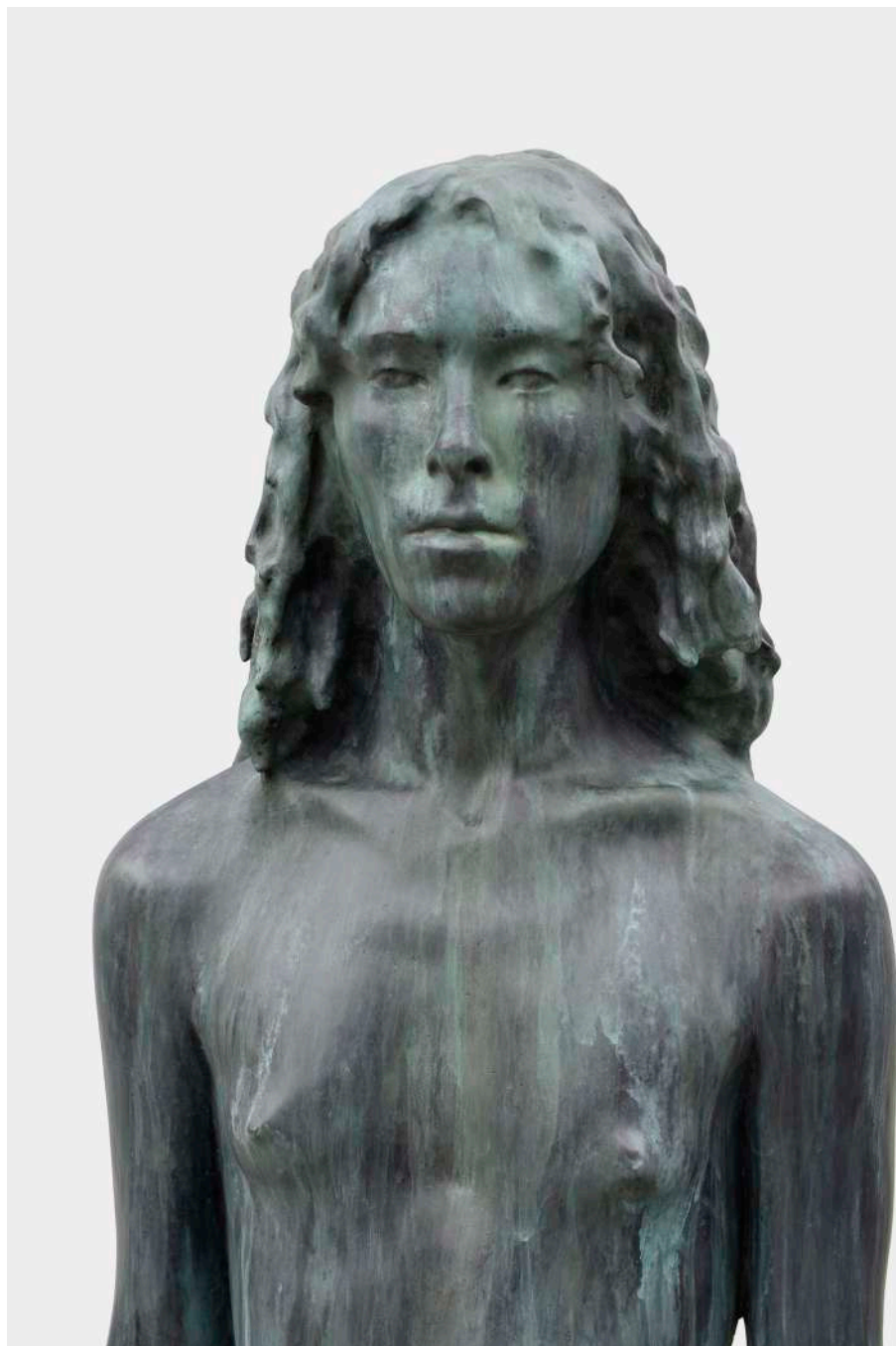


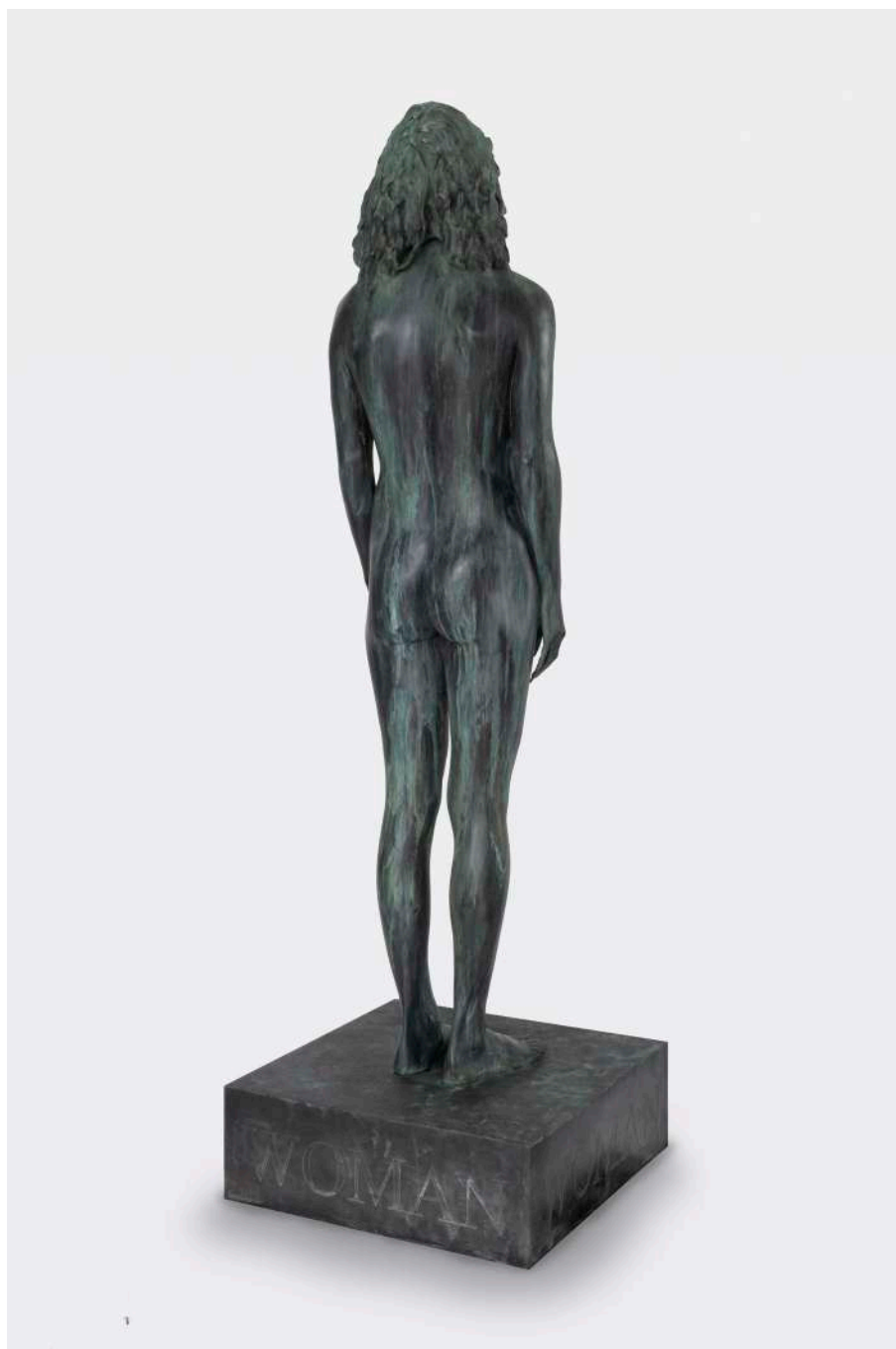


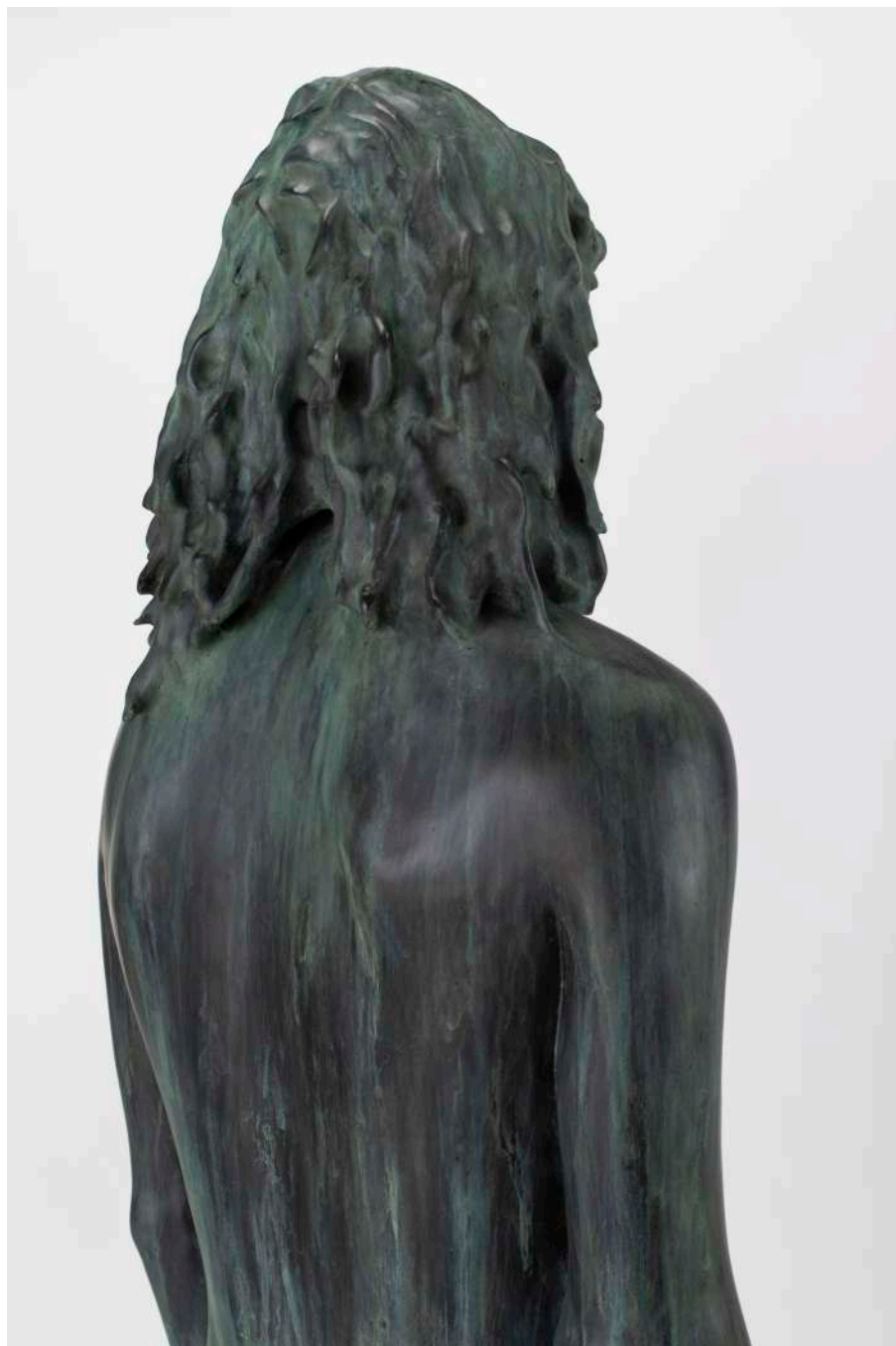


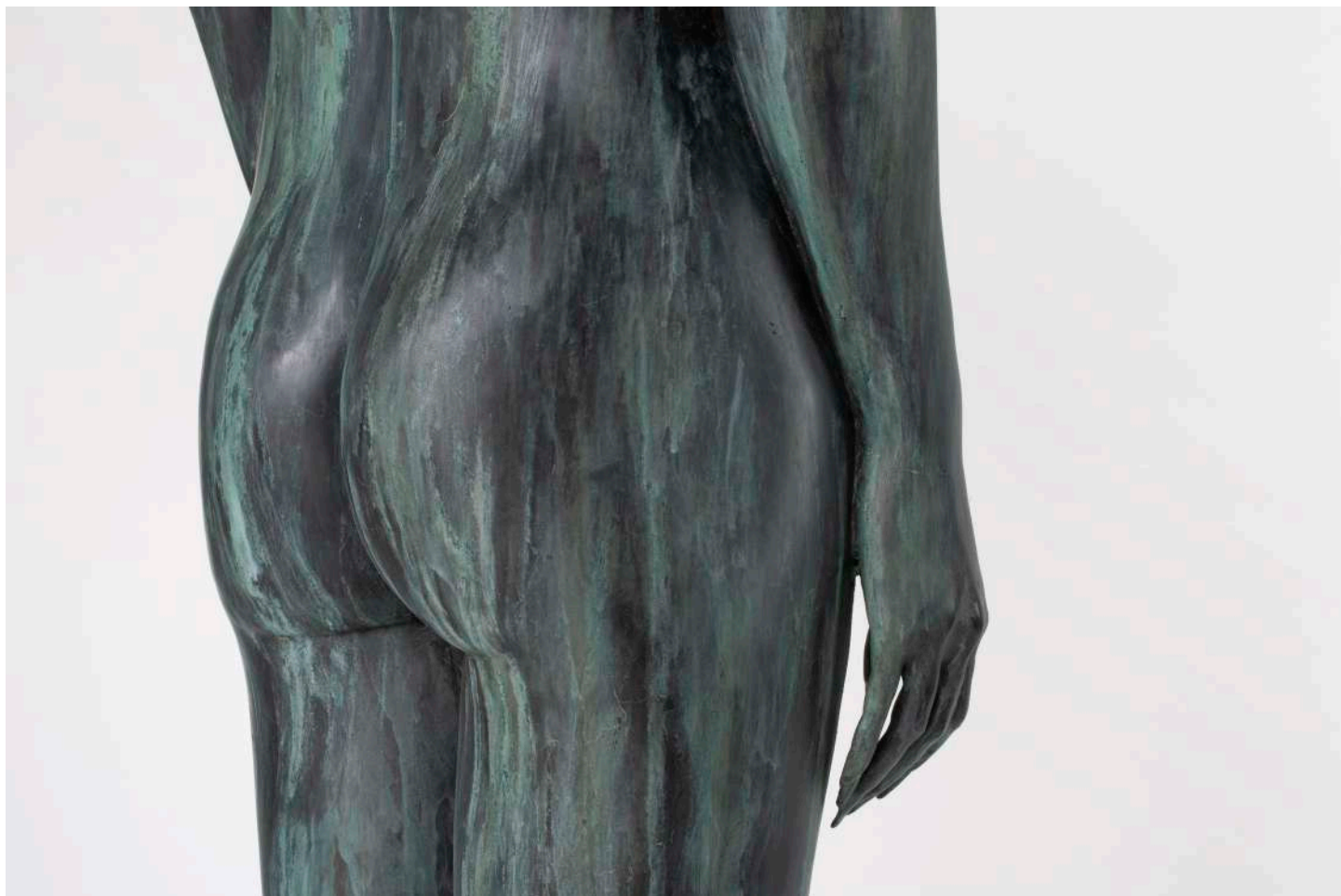
Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Art Basel Parcours*

Exhibition View



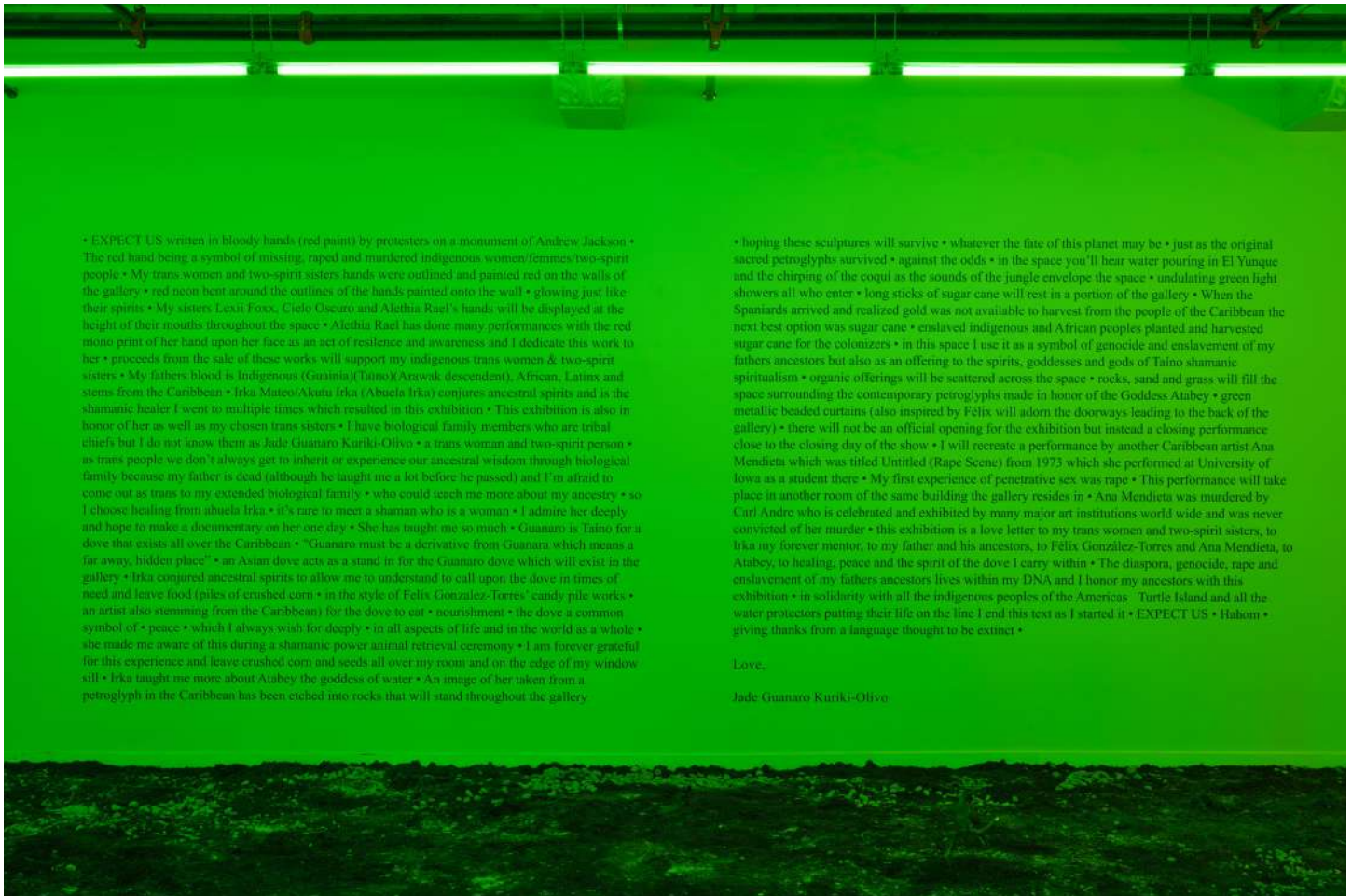








PUPPIES PUPPIES (JADE GUANARO KURIKI-OLIVO)  
(April 16 - May 21, 2022)  
Hannah Hoffman Gallery, Los Angeles



• EXPECT US written in bloody hands (red paint) by protesters on a monument of Andrew Jackson • The red hand being a symbol of missing, raped and murdered indigenous women/femmes/two-spirit people • My trans women and two-spirit sisters hands were outlined and painted red on the walls of the gallery • red neon bent around the outlines of the hands painted onto the wall • glowing just like their spirits • My sisters Lexxi Foxx, Cielo Oscuro and Alethia Rael's hands will be displayed at the height of their mouths throughout the space • Alethia Rael has done many performances with the red mono print of her hand upon her face as an act of resilience and awareness and I dedicate this work to her • proceeds from the sale of these works will support my indigenous trans women & two-spirit sisters • My fathers blood is Indigenous (Guainia/Taino)/Arawak descendent), African, Latinx and stems from the Caribbean • Irka Mateo/Akutu Irka (Abuela Irka) conjures ancestral spirits and is the shamanic healer I went to multiple times which resulted in this exhibition • This exhibition is also in honor of her as well as my chosen trans sisters • I have biological family members who are tribal chiefs but I do not know them as Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo • a trans woman and two-spirit person • as trans people we don't always get to inherit or experience our ancestral wisdom through biological family because my father is dead (although he taught me a lot before he passed) and I'm afraid to come out as trans to my extended biological family • who could teach me more about my ancestry • so I choose healing from abuela Irka • it's rare to meet a shaman who is a woman • I admire her deeply and hope to make a documentary on her one day • She has taught me so much • Guanaro is Taino for a dove that exists all over the Caribbean • "Guanaro must be a derivative from Guanara which means a far away, hidden place" • an Asian dove acts as a stand in for the Guanaro dove which will exist in the gallery • Irka conjured ancestral spirits to allow me to understand to call upon the dove in times of need and leave food (piles of crushed corn) • in the style of Felix Gonzalez-Torres' candy pile works • an artist also stemming from the Caribbean) for the dove to eat • nourishment • the dove a common symbol of • peace • which I always wish for deeply • in all aspects of life and in the world as a whole • she made me aware of this during a shamanic power animal retrieval ceremony • I am forever grateful for this experience and leave crushed corn and seeds all over my room and on the edge of my window sill • Irka taught me more about Atabey the goddess of water • An image of her taken from a petroglyph in the Caribbean has been etched into rocks that will stand throughout the gallery

• hoping these sculptures will survive • whatever the fate of this planet may be • just as the original sacred petroglyphs survived • against the odds • in the space you'll hear water pouring in El Yunque and the chirping of the coqui as the sounds of the jungle envelope the space • undulating green light showers all who enter • long sticks of sugar cane will rest in a portion of the gallery • When the Spaniards arrived and realized gold was not available to harvest from the people of the Caribbean the next best option was sugar cane • enslaved indigenous and African peoples planted and harvested sugar cane for the colonizers • in this space I use it as a symbol of genocide and enslavement of my fathers ancestors but also as an offering to the spirits, goddesses and gods of Taino shamanic spiritualism • organic offerings will be scattered across the space • rocks, sand and grass will fill the space surrounding the contemporary petroglyphs made in honor of the Goddess Atabey • green metallic beaded curtains (also inspired by Felix will adorn the doorways leading to the back of the gallery) • there will not be an official opening for the exhibition but instead a closing performance close to the closing day of the show • I will recreate a performance by another Caribbean artist Ana Mendieta which was titled Untitled (Rape Scene) from 1973 which she performed at University of Iowa as a student there • My first experience of penetrative sex was rape • This performance will take place in another room of the same building the gallery resides in • Ana Mendieta was murdered by Carl Andre who is celebrated and exhibited by many major art institutions world wide and was never convicted of her murder • this exhibition is a love letter to my trans women and two-spirit sisters, to Irka my forever mentor, to my father and his ancestors, to Félix González-Torres and Ana Mendieta, to Atabey, to healing, peace and the spirit of the dove I carry within • The diaspora, genocide, rape and enslavement of my fathers ancestors lives within my DNA and I honor my ancestors with this exhibition • in solidarity with all the indigenous peoples of the Americas • Turtle Island and all the water protectors putting their life on the line I end this text as I started it • EXPECT US • Hahoi • giving thanks from a language thought to be extinct •

Love,

Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo

Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Rain, Coquí, El Yunque (The Sounds Of The Land Of My  
Father's Ancestors)*\*\*\*, 2022

Sound recording  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
Length: 28 minutes 14 seconds, looped







Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Atabey (Water) Note: Save Caguana Ceremonial Ball  
Courts Site, 2022*

Etched stone  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
18 x 10.3 x 21.8 inches (45.7x 26.2 x 55.4 cm)







Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Offering In Dedication To The Ancestors Enslaved For The  
Production Of Sugar Cane (Cadere)*, 2022

Sugar cane  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
Dimensions variable



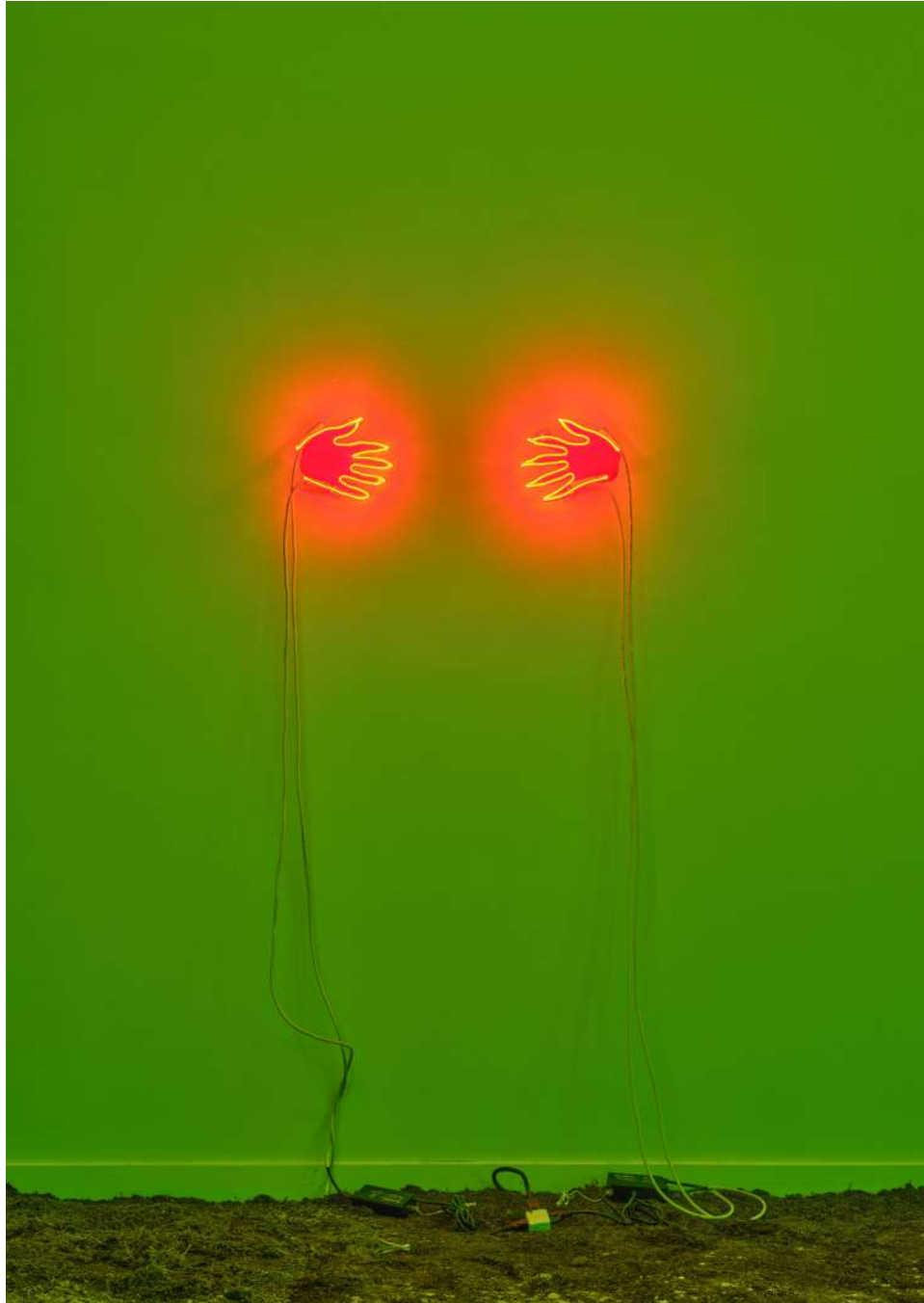
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*Atabey (Water) Note: Save Caguana Ceremonial Ball  
Courts Site, 2022*

Etched stone  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
16.5 x 10.8 x 37 inches (42 x 27.4 x 94.5 cm)



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*The Red Hand Over The Mouth (Right And Left Hand)* •  
*An Indigenous Sign Of Protest • This Piece Is Dedicat-*  
*ed To My Chosen Indigenous Sister Alethia Rael • My*  
*Hands Were Outlined For This Work • Installed At The*  
*Height Of My Mouth\*\*\*, 2022*

Neon Hands (pair)  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
Each hand: 8.6 x 2.8 x 7.3 inches (21.8 x 7.1 x 18.5 cm)  
Installation height: 61 inches



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Neon Hands (pair)  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
Each hand: 9 x 2.2 x 7.5 inches (23.4 x 5.6 x 19 cm)  
Installation height: 51.4 inches



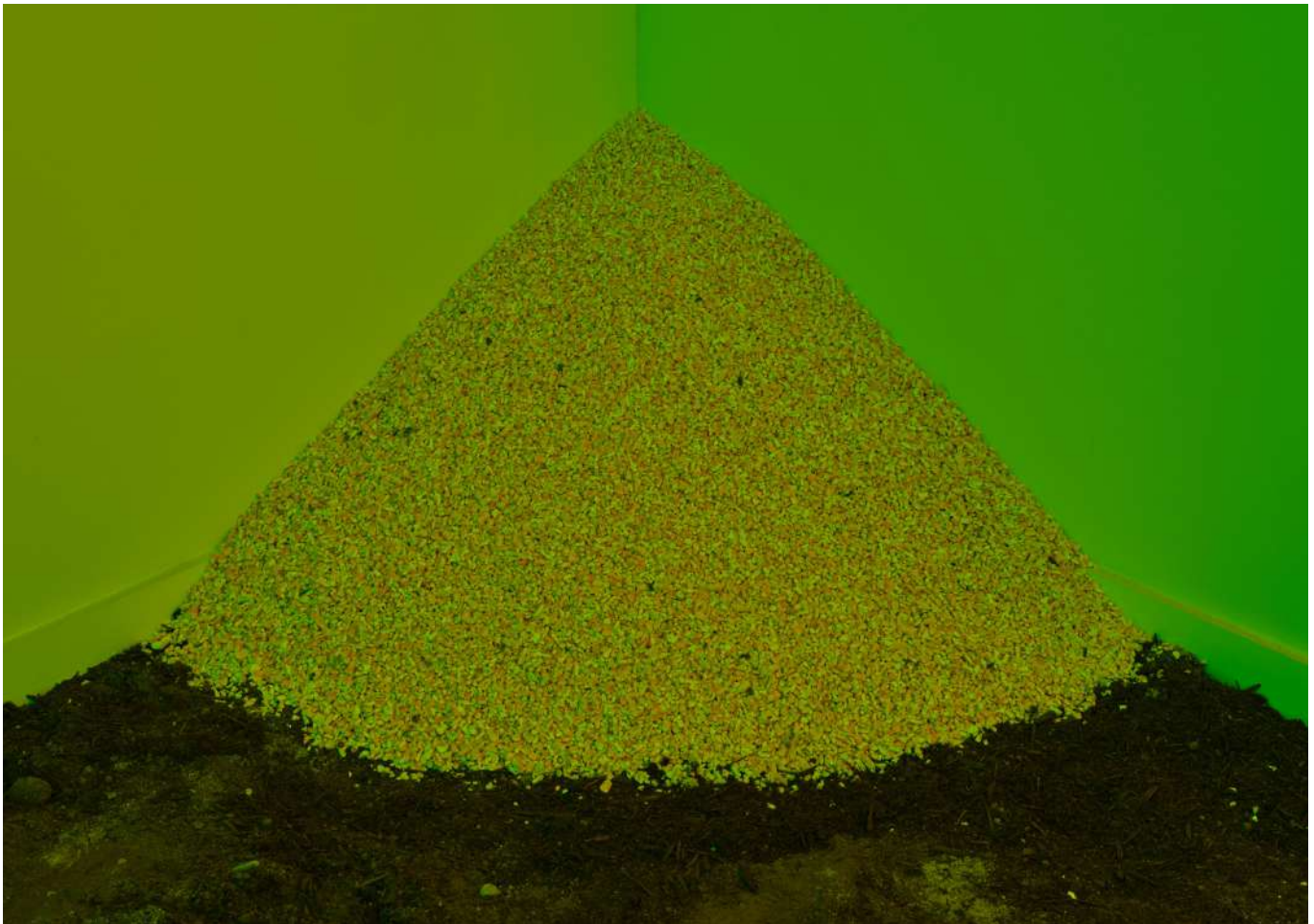
Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Offerings*, 2022

Pinneapple, yucca, fruits, corn, wheat flour  
Dimensions variable



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Untitled (Food For The Animal That Protects My Spirit)*  
*(Dove) (Peace)*, 2022

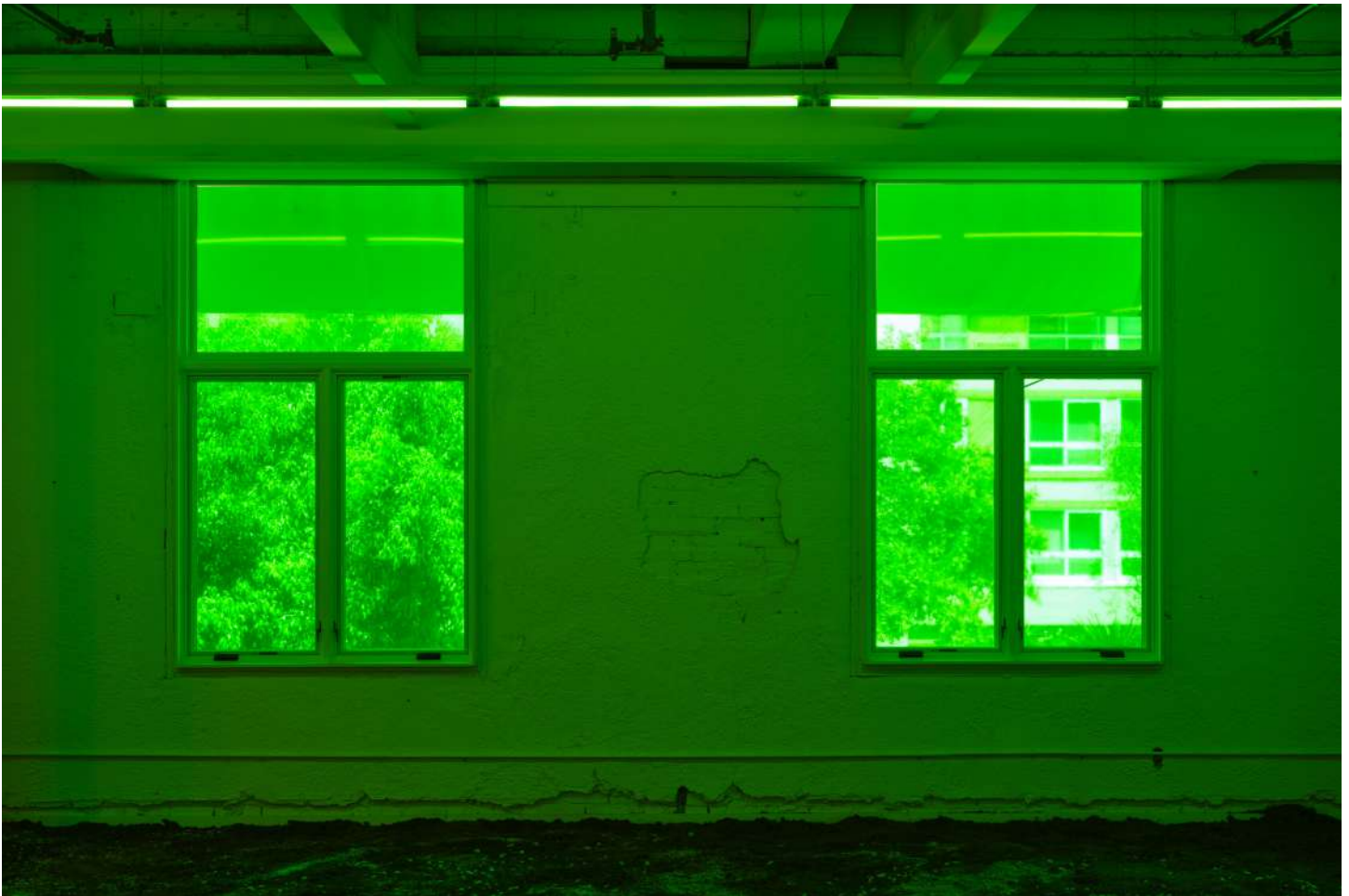
Cracked Corn  
Edition 1 of 2 + 1 AP  
Approximate dimensions: 46 x 30 x 17 inches (116.8 x  
76.2 x 43.2 cm)





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
♥, 2022

Lighting: gels and strobe lighting, green tinted windows  
Edition of 1 + 1 AP  
Dimensions variable



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Atabey (Water) Note: Save Caguana Ceremonial Ball  
Courts Site, 2022*

Etched stone  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
19.5 x 17.5 x 33.6 inches (49.5 x 44.5 x 85.3 cm)







Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Atabey (Water) Note: Save Caguana Ceremonial Ball  
Courts Site, 2022*

Etched Stone  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
22.4 x 10.5 x 28.3 inches (56.9 x 26.7 x 71.9 cm)





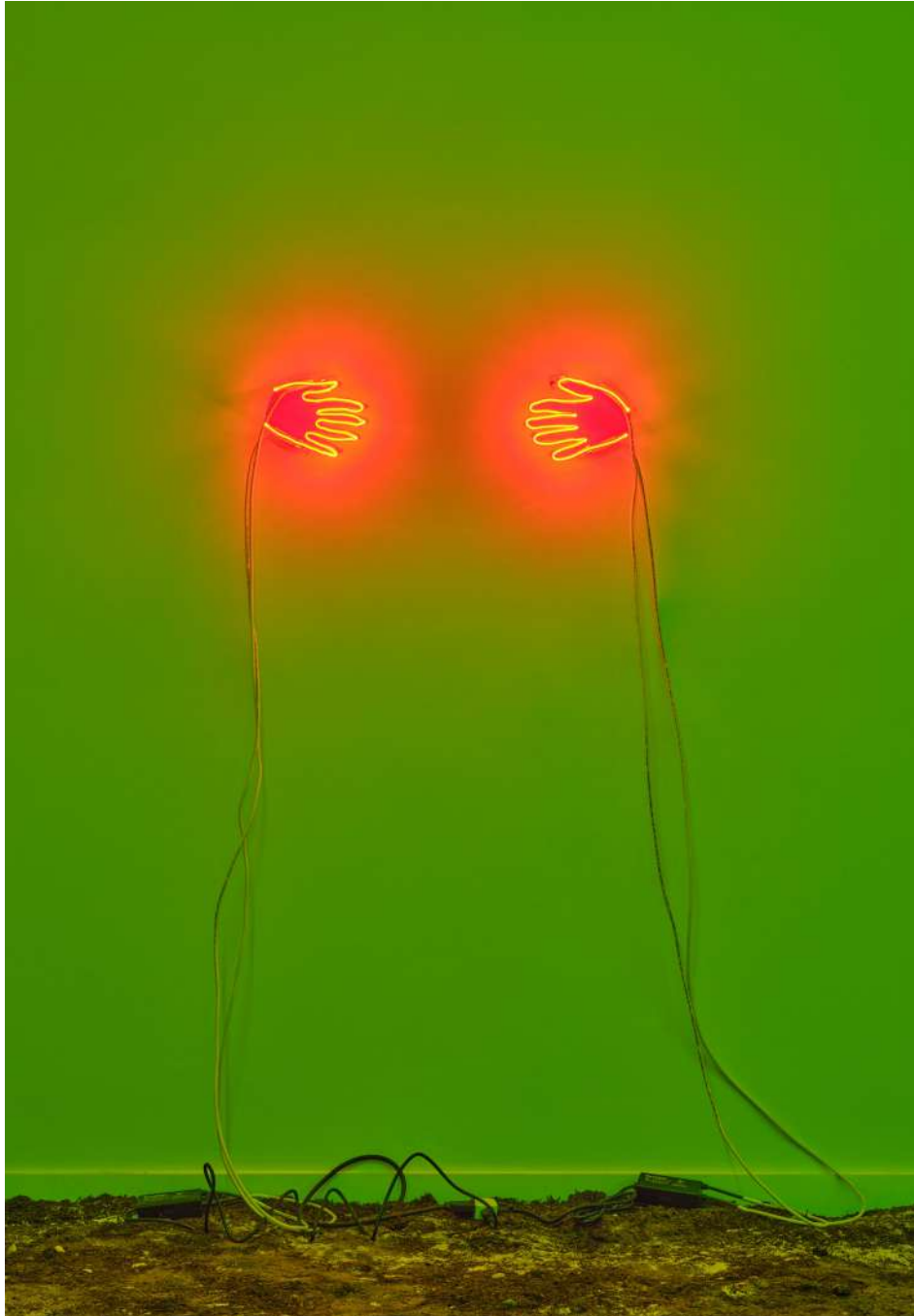
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Pinneapple, yucca, fruits, corn, wheat flour  
Dimensions variable



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Neon Hands (pair)  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
Each hand: 8.5 x 2.2 x 6.5 inches (21.6 x 5.6 x 16.51 cm)  
Installation height: 68.5 inches



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Untitled (Beginning)*, 2022

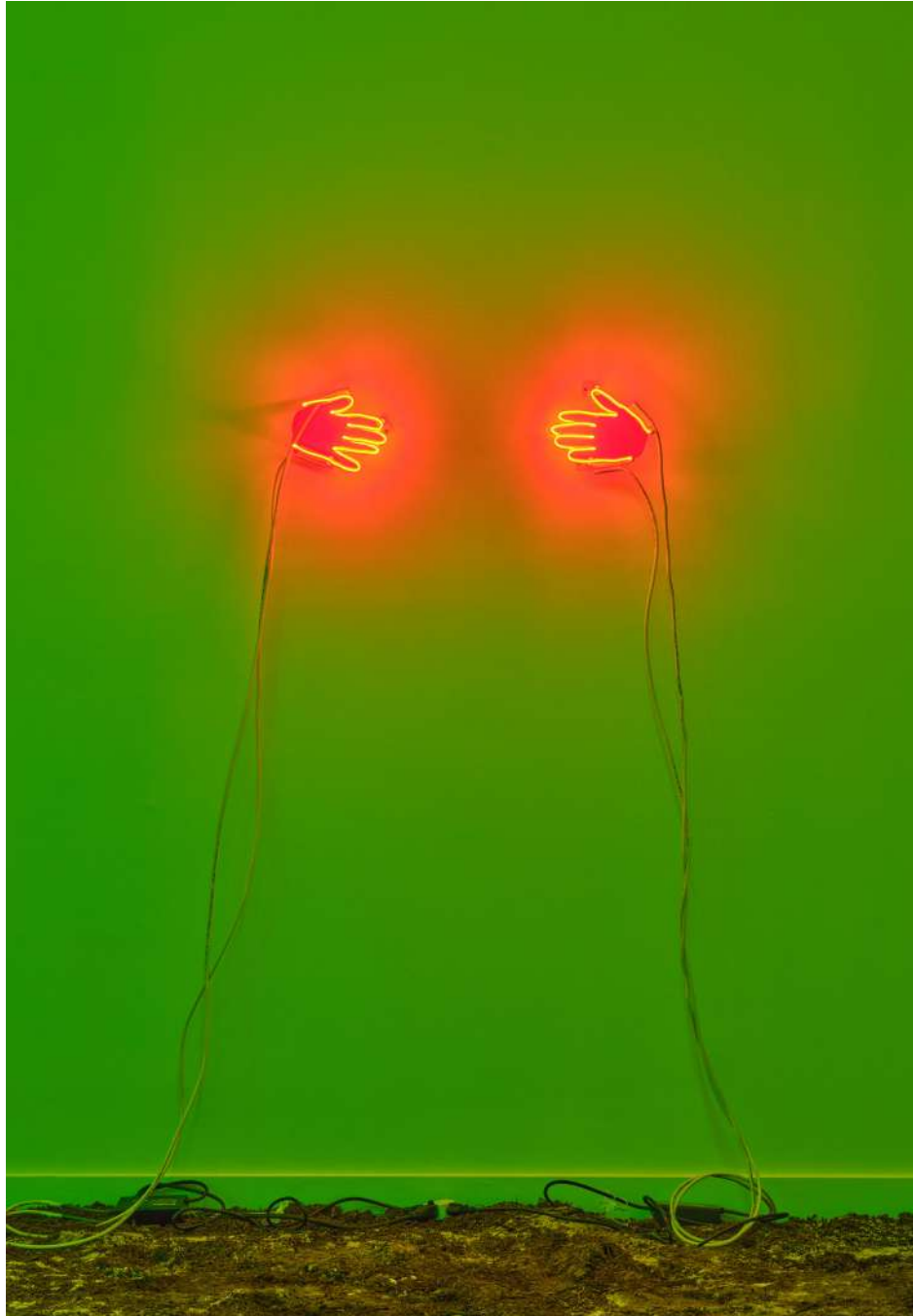
Beaded curtain  
Dimensions variable  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
150 x 63 inches (381 x 160 cm)  
Dimensions variable per space





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
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*Height Of My Mouth\*\*\*, 2022*

Neon Hands (pair)  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
Each hand: 6.8 x 2 x 6 inches (17.3 x 4.6 x 16.5 cm)  
Installation height: 54.5 inches



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Atabey (Water) Note: Save Caguana Ceremonial Ball  
Courts Site, 2022*

Neon Hands (pair)  
Edition 1 of 1 + 1 AP  
Each hand: 6.8 x 2 x 6 inches (17.3 x 4.6 x 16.5 cm)  
Installation height: 54.5 inches



PUPPIES PUPPIES (JADE GUANARO KURIKI-OLIVO)  
*Transcendence* (March 11 – April 16, 2022)  
Performance Space, New York, NY, USA



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Trans Flag Monument Dress*, 2022

Trans Flag Dress. Telescopic Boom Lift, 30 foot Trans  
Flag, Mannequin, Belt, Pins, Dress.



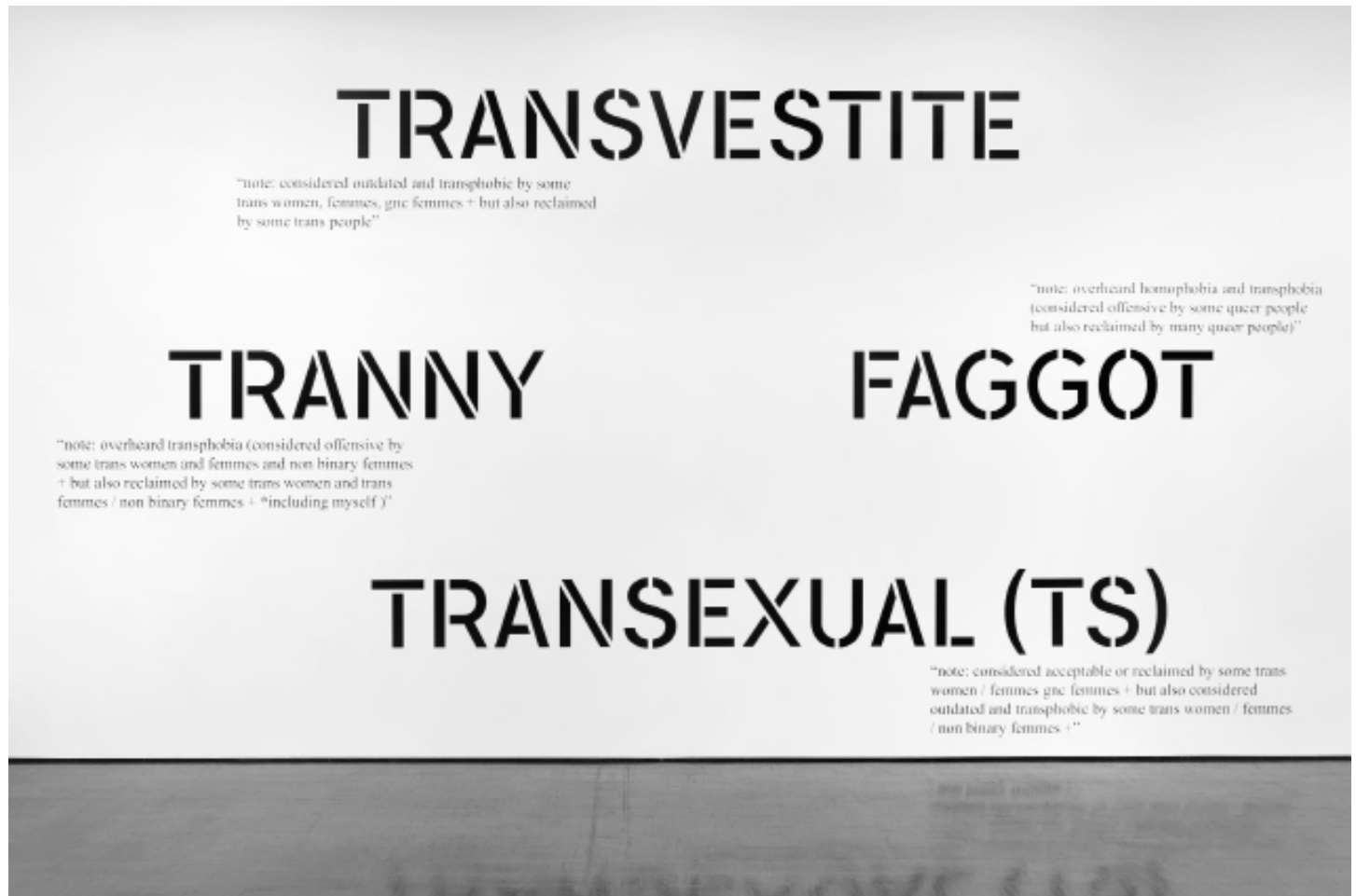




PUPPIES PUPPIES (JADE GUANARO KURIKI-OLIVO)

*Tranny* (January 14 – February 26, 2022)

Galerie Barbara Weiss, Berlin, Germany



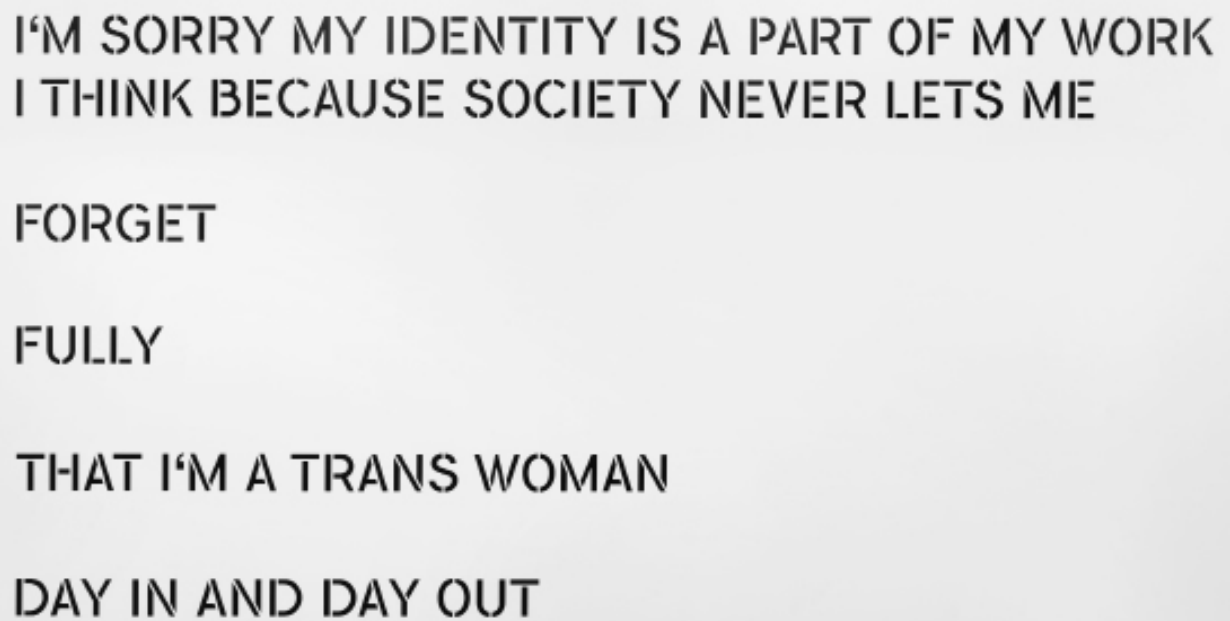






Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
I'M SORRY MY IDENTITY IS A PART OF MY  
WORK/ I THINK BECAUSE SOCIETY NEV-  
ER LETS ME/ FORGET/ FULLY/ THAT I'M  
A TRANS WOMAN/ DAY IN AND DAY OUT,  
2018

Vinyl text on wall  
Dimensions variable



I'M SORRY MY IDENTITY IS A PART OF MY WORK  
I THINK BECAUSE SOCIETY NEVER LETS ME  
  
FORGET  
  
FULLY  
  
THAT I'M A TRANS WOMAN  
  
DAY IN AND DAY OUT

Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*DOES THE GENDER THAT YOU WERE TOLD YOU  
WERE/ HAS THAT UPSET YOU? DID IT OR DOES IT  
FEEL LIKE IT DIDN'T OR DOESN'T FIT?/ LIKE  
PEOPLE TREATED YOU ONE WAY BUT IT WASN'T  
YOUR CHOICE.*, 2022

Polyester film, light source  
Dimensions variable

DOES THE GENDER THAT YOU  
WERE TOLD YOU WERE  
  
HAS THAT UPSET YOU?  
DID IT OR DOES IT FEEL LIKE IT  
DIDN'T OR DOESN'T FIT?  
  
LIKE PEOPLE TREATED YOU ONE  
WAY BUT IT WASN'T YOUR CHOICE.

PUPPIES PUPPIES (JADE GUANARO KURIKI-OLIVO)  
I'M JADE. I'M A TRANS WOMAN TRANS WOMXN TRANS  
FEMME TWO SPIRIT HUMAN BEING. LIFE FEELS LONG  
EVEN THOUGH IT HASN'T BEEN ALL THAT LONG.  
A BRAIN TUMOR SURGICALLY REMOVED, GETTING  
DIVORCED, LOSING MY DAD, BRAIN TUMOR RESUR-  
GENCE SCARE, STARTING HORMONE REPLACEMENT  
THERAPY, EXPERIENCING SEXUAL ASSAULT AND RAPE  
MULTIPLE TIMES AND COMING OUT AS A WOMAN. THIS  
EXHIBITION IS A ROLLER COASTER OF THE EMOTIONS  
FEELINGS BUT ALSO THOUGHTS CONNECTIONS THAT  
HAPPENED OVER THIS SPAN OF TIME... ONLY A LITTLE  
MORE THAN A DECADE. THIS EXHIBITION COVERS THE  
SPAN OF PUPPIES PUPPIES TO JADE. IT'S HARD TO GET  
UP EACH MORNING. MY HEART ACHES BUT I'M HAPPY  
TO BE A WOMAN. I'LL TRY MY BEST TO ENJOY LIFE EVEN  
THOUGH SOCIETY MAKES IT DIFFICULT. FROM DUST TO  
DUST I AM BUT A SPECK ON THIS PLANET AND I WON-  
DER HOW TO USE THIS SHORT LIFE OF MINE. TRYING  
NOT TO LET MY TRAUMA TAKE OVER BUT STILL  
BE KIND TO YOURSELF JADE. THIS IS THE END OF A DE-  
CADE • A NEW WAY OF WORKING COMING SOON. SIN-  
CERELY, JADE KURIKI OLIVO (June 5 – August 22, 2021)  
Kunsthaus Glarus, Switzerland













Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Liberty (Liberté)*, 2017

Costume, mask, plastic torch (performance)







Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*MRI scans from having a brain tumor removed in 2010*  
*(documents from having brain cancer), 2010–2021*

MRI Scans



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Curry*, 2016

Resin, dye, plastic





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Plague*, 2019

Soil, mannequins, white cloth, latex mask, fabric cowl,  
taxidermy rats, photo wallpaper, video projection (col-  
or, no sound)























Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*American Flags (Burned)(Ashes)(Urn)*, 2019

Ashes, copper urn





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Eating(Choices)* (Judith, Otto, Jade), 2019

Zweifel Natur Chips, Ovomaltine chocolate, Pizza,  
Penne al Arrabiata, Coca Cola, champagne, Zweifel  
Popcorn, Airwaves chewing gum, Sabich, Piadina, Milk,  
Coca Cola, waffle, omelet with salad on a plate, chips,  
Coca Cola, beer



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Shit and Piss*, 2019

ToiToi Toilet



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Objects with the Potential to Destroy this Room* (Blum &  
Poe, 2727 S. La Cienega Boulevard Los Angeles, Califor-  
nia) (California Coalition for Women Prisoners Benefit  
Auction - August 18th 2018), 2018

Impact hammer, crowbar, axe, concrete cutter, 2 gas  
bottles, lighter





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Treponema pallidum* (Syphilis), 2018

Glass, *treponema pallidum*, Bresser Erudite microscope



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Eggs in pantyhose (Yama Chaahan's reversed egg)*, 2019

Pantyhose, eggs



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Untitled (Perfect Lovers)(Green)*, 2017

A pair of green synchronized clocks



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Dad's Ashes* (Carlos Andres Olivo), 2020

Real human ashes





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Andrew Olivo* 6.7.89-6.7.18, 2018

Grass, real human bones, gravestone















Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Estrogen on wall*, 2017/2018

3 estrogen pills fixed to the wall



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Portable voting booth used in the 2000 Bush/Gore United  
States presidential election in Broward County, Florida,  
2018*

Voting booth from Florida (presidential election 2000)



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Aircraft emergency oxygen system (“In the event of emergency, put your oxygen mask on first.”), 2018*

2 emergency oxygen masks)





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Trigger (Savage) (permanently disabled by Kwon Pan),*  
2019

Gun trigger (ongoing series permanently disabling used  
guns)



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo),  
*Smith and Wesson Model 10 permanently disabled by*  
*Gunsmith Kats, California, 2018*

Gun trigger (ongoing series permanently disabling used  
guns)



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Flag Burning Kit (collaboration with Ren Light Pan)*,  
2018

Glass cooking tray, grill, cotton fabric,  
rubbing alcohol, lighter or matches



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Untitled (Purell) 2011-2021 (in honor of David Ham-  
mons' The Holy Bible: Old Testament • anti bacterial  
gel dispenser available for use before touching the  
piece), 2011-2021*

Purell dispenser, sanitizing foam







Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Barriers (Stanchions)*, 2017

Barriers, cardboard, vinyl











Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Executive Order 9066 (Soul Consoling Tower)*, 2019

Photo wallpaper, vinyl, inkjet prints, wooden frames,  
sound, speakers











Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Human Bones in an Ikea Bag (blue) (yellow) (green),*  
2016

Real human bones, Ikea bag



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Security*, 2012

Security domes (4 quarter-circle mirrors, 1 hemispherical mirror)





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Untitled (portrait of the artist with no brain) (portrait of  
the artist after brain surgery) (Sylar (Zachary Quinto)  
brutally kills Isaac Mendez) (Heroes tv show prop) (Duane  
Hanson–murdered artist) (pre transition title), 2017*

Television show prop



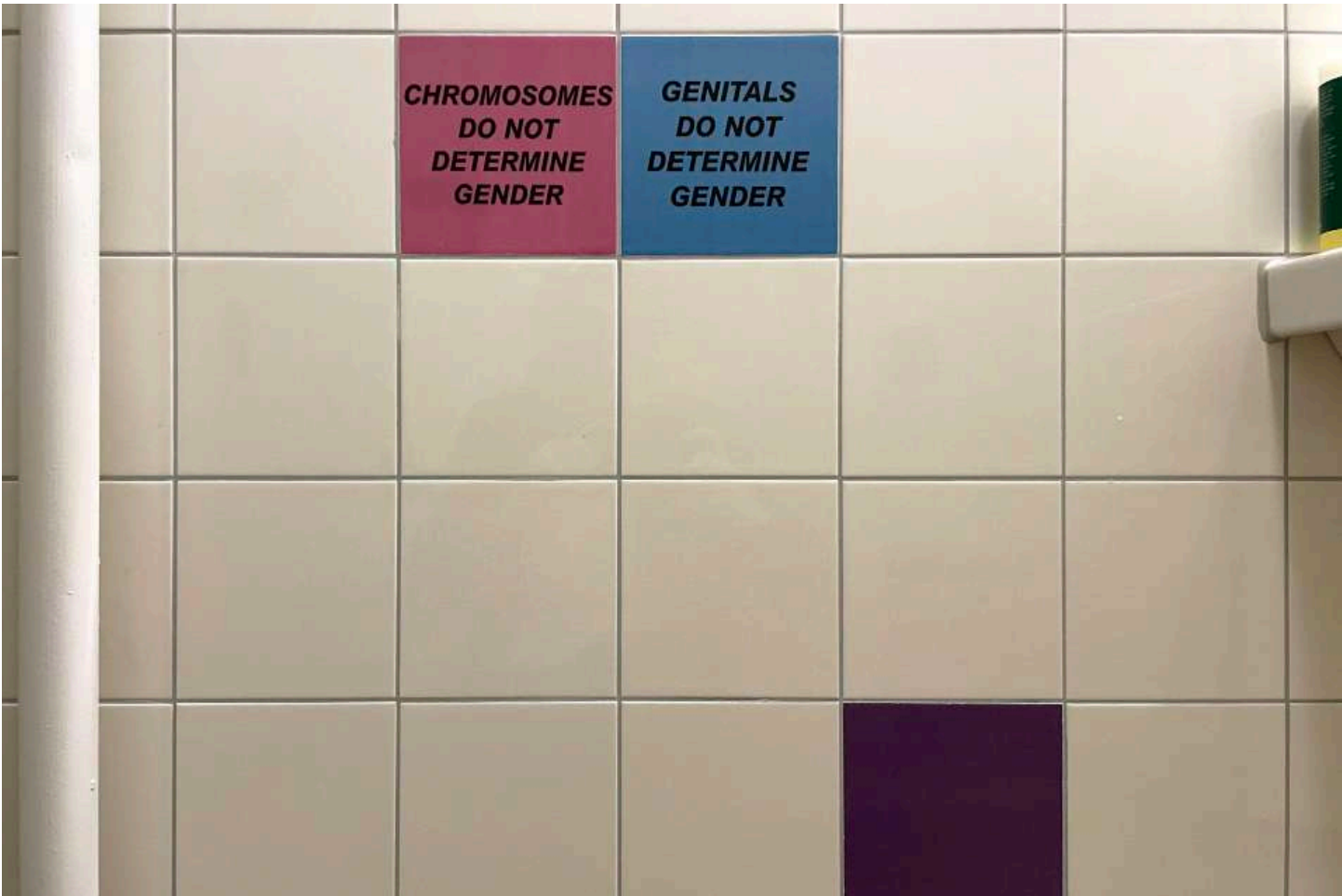


Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Sex and Gender and the Lack Thereof (Differences)*,  
2018

30 customized tiles















Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Trigger (Hopkins & Allen) (permanently disabled by Kwon*  
*Pan), 2019*

Gun trigger (ongoing series permanently disabling used  
guns)



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Trigger (Stoeger) (permanently disabled by Kwon  
Pan), 2019*

Gun trigger (ongoing series permanently disabling used  
guns)



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Trigger (Uberti) (permanently disabled by Kwon Pan),*  
2019

Gun trigger (ongoing series permanently disabling used  
guns)





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*My Vagina*, 2019

Oil on canvas



Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Inflatable Earth*, 2011

Plastic fabric





Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Una Mujer Fantástica* (A Fantastic Woman), 2019

Video projection (HD, color, sound), LED light box,  
tinted Toyota Corolla window, custom jacket, polished  
metal, mirror, public advertisement























Puppies Puppies (Jade Guanaro Kuriki-Olivo)  
*Get tested today. (Lass dich heute testen.),* 2018

Public advertisement in Zurich

