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Jeff Nagy: *Élan, Stubbornness and Fatality*

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Élan, Stubbornness and Fatality is an ur-premiere of Jeff Nagy's first solo exhibition, *SMALL INGESTION* that took place at a gallery in November of 2012. The exhibition is a foreclosure of Nagy's disregard for the conflict between the culture of atavistic sense-content as it is archivally isolated in privileged knowledge banks and the bogus nature of so-called origins. These concerns are manifested in a pet-inspired topology of the city that plays host to Nagy and his exhibition. Nagy takes the case of pet flows as a study of the highly complex phenomena of visual perception and information interpretation; features that have arguably been "Evolving" for millions of years in response to a variety of subjugations to the urbanizing carnality of a globalized Earth. A particular focus is paid to a set of "weird" sapientially-oriented cognitive byproducts like *apophenia* (identifying meaningful patterns in meaningless randomness) and *pareidolia* (perceiving vague and random images or sounds as significant) when applied to the phenomenal set determined for this exhibition as "pet." The exhibition is a lullaby of sorts to the habits of captive life, a lullaby crafted from such a life's habitual traces to lay its punishing fears and spastic joys to peace.

It has been remarked about the exhibited work's nebulous yet rigidly complex sense of place —"The notion of a pet flow arises as an answer to a basic pet need to cope with increasing complexity of its owner's lives. In the face of death, personal attachment and confusion, a pet has no obligation whatsoever to feel, interpret and index an 'ocean of signs' it never considered in order to survive."

The artist's exploration of pet flows and the things it renders into a world have thus taken him throughout the city's infrastructure like a captive being prone to "walks", strolled through a complex of gutters in which invariably things such as condoms are being discovered in the dim setting of a Marseille sunset.

It is worth mentioning that this exhibition includes absolutely no performative content.

- Sam Pulitzer

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Differential Flow Maps, Vector Networks



Flow Maps, Vector Networks (inset)

Area of Critical Flow (peak)



Flow Maps, Vector Networks (inset): Lines of Flight



Ibid. (inset): Cross-scale Network Linkages



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Ibid. (inset): Control Group Standard Flow Apparatus and Logbook



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2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
35.18	36.46	35.88	36.39	35.68	35.34	36.30	37.68	37.30	36.89	38.36	37.23	38.05
n/a	n/a	n/a	44.57	41.96	39.69	40.62	43.61	45.47	45.70	44.39	41.30	43.75
35.75	37.34	36.71	35.37	34.30	33.51	36.98	36.67	36.45	37.22	38.03	39.11	36.19
34.53	35.77	34.94	34.69	34.22	34.16	35.06	37.51	34.70	37.53	35.07	35.97	36.85
42.70	29.92	23.55	33.76	33.52	38.43	36.08	35.28	32.94	30.11	34.95	36.33	38.55
34.87	36.15	35.97	36.85	36.38	35.70	36.32	37.65	36.27	37.28	37.89	36.95	37.58
32.98	35.47	34.47	37.03	33.09	33.07	36.22	37.75	35.41	37.55	35.21	36.91	36.91
37.83	38.66	39.22	39.49	38.79	38.71	39.29	39.44	36.70	39.12	42.73	39.83	38.88
35.69	34.83	37.87	37.61	32.78	35.54	33.25	37.19	39.28	40.32	35.93	36.69	36.34
27.05	26.36	27.69	28.00	26.93	27.04	29.14	28.47	26.86	31.61	28.53	28.98	29.23
27.51	27.42	31.82	30.85	30.39	28.68	29.94	34.09	31.23	38.47	34.60	32.05	31.63
23.49	22.21	25.47	24.78	19.19	25.72	26.00	28.34	27.35	31.05	25.90	28.32	26.11
n/a	n/a	n/a	32.33	24.29	35.21	34.33	29.46	29.90	37.00	30.21	35.63	33.14
33.41	29.09	34.55	27.71	25.64	32.19	32.77	28.25	28.47	44.55	26.75	31.90	33.86
34.27	35.23	34.96	35.52	34.88	34.53	35.47	36.64	35.81	36.32	37.08	36.21	36.93
27.72	28.32	28.53	28.30	27.86	28.14	28.13	28.15	28.12	27.69	28.27	27.38	27.58
36.92	37.76	38.04	37.69	37.32	37.59	38.39	39.08	38.87	39.23	40.57	39.43	40.35
n/a	n/a	n/a	45.73	43.35	41.91	43.08	45.45	46.44	46.56	46.40	43.62	45.00
37.67	38.77	38.84	36.75	34.96	36.09	38.95	38.26	37.67	39.04	39.55	39.76	38.21
35.73	36.24	36.87	35.13	35.54	35.32	35.77	37.67	36.54	39.03	35.60	37.46	39.30
41.14	38.70	34.43	34.62	35.52	41.28	36.20	39.15	34.82	35.40	37.85	38.42	39.80
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35.38	35.36	36.21	38.34	34.64	36.06	38.89	39.33	39.13	40.97	37.85	37.79	37.91
40.12	40.35	41.01	41.67	39.42	40.12	42.62	41.82	41.47	44.02	45.07	42.16	42.04
37.82	37.01	38.69	38.06	36.19	37.29	35.88	39.33	40.78	39.98	36.26	37.69	37.80
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30.17	31.21	31.12	30.91	30.54	30.76	30.79	30.77	30.83	30.84	31.31	30.41	30.75

SA-FAD-M: Archive Data, Pet Flow Year-on-Year increases (log), 2000-2012