

Amy Sillman: After Metamorphoses
January 20–March 19, 2017

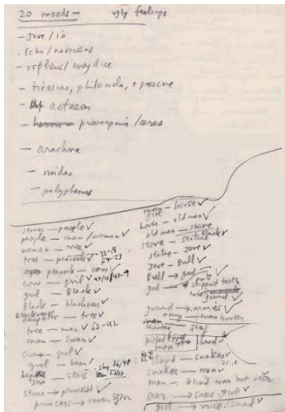
The Lab

Opening Reception: Thursday, January 19, 6–8pm

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New York – For her exhibition at The Drawing Center, Amy Sillman presents a video (or what she calls an animated drawing) entitled *After Metamorphoses*, that she conceived in 2014 as a Resident at the American Academy in Rome. To create the video, Sillman overlaid abstract drawings (which were made in a bathtub in Berlin) with iPad sketches that precisely follow the sequence of changes that occur in Ovid's fifteen-book narrative. Set to a score by the Berlin-based musician Wibke Tiarks, the video features a variegated background that flashes beneath a series of figures as they transform one into another with a temporal rhythm. In *After Metamorphoses*, Sillman exercises the possibility of endless change, a theme first developed in her animated works and that continues to inform her paintings and drawings. Her adaptation of Ovid is one of a number of works that Sillman has made in collaboration with poets, including Lisa Robertson and Charles Bernstein, among others. In tandem with the exhibition, Sillman created a limited edition zine, the 11th in her series of zines entitled *O.G.* Organized by Claire Gilman, Senior Curator.



Amy Sillman, Page of score
for *After Metamorphoses*,
2015–16. Pencil on paper.
Courtesy of the artist.

ABOUT AMY SILLMAN

Born in Detroit in 1955, New York-based artist Amy Sillman has been showing her mercurial drawings, paintings, and animations since the early 1980s. In recent years, solo exhibitions of Sillman's work have been presented at Kunsthaus Bregenz, Austria; Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston; Hirschhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden in Washington, DC; Blaffer Art Museum at the University of Houston; and the Institute of Contemporary Art at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. Sillman's work has also been included in recent group exhibitions at the Hammer Museum of Art in Los Angeles; Whitney Museum of American Art in New York; Los

Angeles County Museum of Art; The Museum of Modern Art in New York; Museum of Contemporary Art in Los Angeles; and the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, among others.

CREDITS

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ABOUT THE DRAWING CENTER

The Drawing Center, a museum in Manhattan's SoHo district, explores the medium of drawing as primary, dynamic, and relevant to contemporary culture, the future of art, and creative thought. Its activities, which are both multidisciplinary and broadly historical, include exhibitions; Open Sessions, a curated artist program encouraging community and collaboration; the *Drawing Papers* publication series; and education and public programs.

LOCATION, HOURS & ACCESSIBILITY

35 Wooster Street between Broome and Grand Streets in SoHo, New York.
Gallery hours are Wednesday-Sunday 12pm–6pm, Thursday, 12pm–8pm.
Tickets: \$5 Adults, \$3 Students and seniors, Children under 12 are free, and free admission Thursdays 6-8pm.

The Drawing Center is wheelchair accessible.
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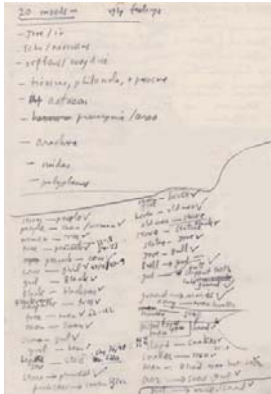
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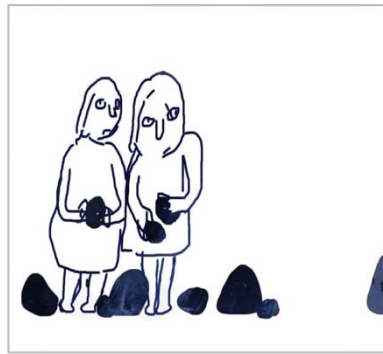
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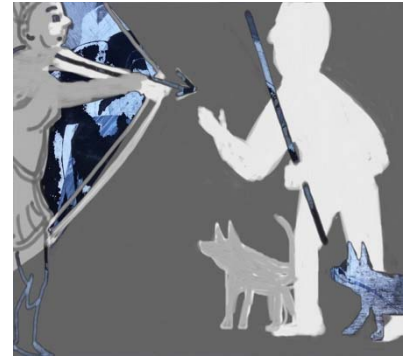
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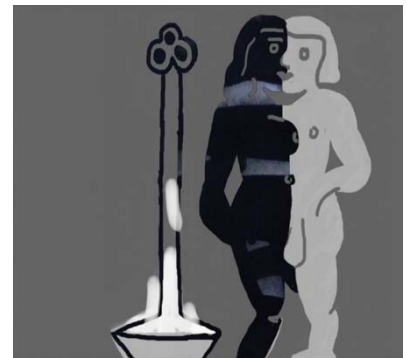
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