

Sarah Williams

Unseen America

December 1, 2017 – January 6, 2018

Reception for the artist Friday, December 1, 5-7 pm

Artist Talk Friday, December 1, 5 pm

Moody Gallery is pleased to present its first solo exhibition of work by Sarah Williams. *Unseen America* features a new series of small oil on panel paintings that depict quiet nights in small towns. Focusing on her roots in the rural Midwest, Williams' images of homes, gas stations, and street signs glow with an eerie and luminous light exuding a moody, cinematic atmosphere. Her paintings are based upon photographs that she takes with a first generation digital camera. Williams then transforms these images into paintings of haunting nocturnal nightscapes.

Sarah Williams was born in Kansas City, Missouri in 1984 and currently lives and works in Springfield, Missouri. She received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from William Woods University, Fulton, Missouri and a Master of Arts degree from the University of North Texas, Denton. She is a professor of painting at Missouri State University in Springfield. Williams' paintings have been featured in one-person exhibitions at the Art Museum of Southeast Texas, Beaumont; Jacksonville State University, Alabama; Northwest College, Powell, Wyoming; William Woods University, Fulton, Missouri; Nicolaysen Art Museum, Casper, Wyoming; Galveston Arts Center, Texas; and the Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art, St. Joseph, Missouri. Williams has been granted numerous awards, including residencies at Millay Colony for the Arts AiR in Austerlitz, New York (2016); Willapa Bay AiR in Oysterville, Washington (2015); the Ucross Foundation Artist Program in Ucross, Wyoming (2013); and an artist's grant and residency at the Vermont Studio Center (2010).

Unseen America will be on view December 1, 2017 – January 6, 2018. A reception for the artist will be held Friday, December 1, 5-7 pm with an Artist Talk at 5 pm. Moody Gallery is located at 2815 Colquitt, Houston, Texas 77098. The gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10:30-5, and Saturday, 11-5. For more information, please contact Moody Gallery at 713-526-9911 or by email at info@moodygallery.com.