PEDESTRIAN RULES
Haigen G. Pearson, Tyson Washburn, and Barbara Weissberger
January 25–March 3, 2018
Opening Reception: Thursday, January 25, 2018, 5:00–7:00 PM

The Woskob Family Gallery is pleased to announce Pedestrian Rules, an exhibition of photographic and time-based works by Haigen G. Pearson, Tyson Washburn, and Barbara Weissberger. These artists explore commonplace sights: buildings, boxes, and reflections—both found and constructed—to speculate about the viewers’ relationships with ambiguity in everyday experience.

Pearson’s Maintenance-Roma is a video work in which a looping group of still images shows paint-splattered yellow traffic dividers repeating throughout the city. In Washburn’s photographs, city blocks and buildings are cropped into tight horizontals. The removal of broader context results in landscapes and structures that appear in stages of abandonment. In Weissberger’s work, materials such as aluminum foil, cardboard, and pencils are layered and combined through the camera’s aperture, complicating and sowing doubt about normally identifiable objects.

These artists exhibit fragments, eschewing photography’s documentary capacity, creating new imagery that presents crumbling symbols and broken visions. Whether out walking or looking, or building in the studio, the artists re-envision the photograph as a conversational, un-heroic, and hard-to-parse visual syntax.

An opening reception will be held at the gallery on Thursday, January 25, from 5:00–7:00 PM. For more information on these events, visit our website www.woskobfamilygallery.psu.edu. All events are free and open to the public.

The Woskob Family Gallery is a contemporary art space in downtown State College that brings a cohesive and carefully curated program of exhibitions and events to central Pennsylvania. Run by Penn State’s College of Arts and Architecture, the gallery serves as a laboratory for exploring how the arts can catalyze creative placemaking. The Woskob Family Gallery is located at 146 South Allen Street, State College, PA 16801.

Gallery hours are 9:00 AM–4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, and 10:00 AM–2:00 PM on Saturdays. For more information, please contact Curatorial Assistant Lindsey Landfried at lll166@psu.edu, or visit woskobfamilygallery.psu.edu.