## Rodolphe Delaunay ICA baltimore Of The Attraction of the Sun

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Opening reception: Saturday, May 25, 7-10pm Gallery Hours: Sat/Sun 12-4pm or by appointment Contact: Lou Joseph / 443-717-3594 Iou.joseph@gmail.com ICA Baltimore @ Current Space 421 N. Howard St., Baltimore, MD

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Courtesy Galerie Frédéric Lacroix

Rodolphe Delaunay is a French artist, born in 1984, and temporarily based in Baltimore. He graduated from Paris's École des Beaux Arts in 2008. Since then he has participated in several group shows in Italy, Indonesia and France and has had solo shows in Paris at Galerie Frédéric Lacroix and The Window 41.

Delaunay's work explores the relationship between science and popular traditions. His sculpture, installations and movies are grounded primarily in readings of scientific history. He notes "Paradoxically, my connection to science arises from my own incapacity to understand it properly, and from the distance that separates me and my subject. I try to reproduce that distance in my works, juxtaposing everyday objects and scientific concepts, in order to produce questions about how we perceive the world."



Courtesy FRAC Haute-Normandie

In this, his first solo show in the United States, Rodolphe Delaunay will allow his new work made in Baltimore - to confront earlier works produced in France. The exhibition is titled after a 17th century poem by philosopher and scientist Margaret Cavendish. Like a prism decomposes light into the many colors of the visible spectrum, this poem uses language to reveal the phenomena ruling the universe as an explorable array. The show regards the perceptions we have of natural forces and constants - gravity, the speed of light, magnetism - both as collective thought experiments and as individual linguistic experiences.

## http://rodolphe.ultra-book.com/

This exhibition will be the fourth of the ICA Baltimore's solo artist project series, and its first collaboration with Current Gallery. Similar to the Institute's artist-directed retrospectives, these projects are intended to showcase a single artist's work.