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Your Concise Los Angeles Art Guide for July 2022

Your list of must-see, fun, insightful, and very Los Angeles art events this month, including Pope.L, Beatriz Cortez, Mika Rottenberg, and more.



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Pope.L: The Ritual is for All of Us



Pope.L, "Black Factory Sainsbury's Bean Can Under Pressure #1" (2005–2020), plexiglass, hardware, Sainsbury bean can, Black Factory sticker, plywood, wood putty, cork, wooden dowel, acrylic paint, signed by Pope.L (photo by Jeff McLane, courtesy the artist and Vielmetter Los Angeles)

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When: through July 23

Where: Vielmetter Los Angeles (1700 South Santa Fe Avenue, Downtown, Los Angeles)

Enigmatic artist Pope.L works across performance, installation, and video to explore race, identity, language, and material culture. For his second solo show at Vielmetter, he has transformed the gallery into a series of sheds through which viewers must navigate. They will encounter four video works characterized by their unsettling tone, and a sculpture, *I Machine*, that is composed of two stacked overhead projectors and a contraption that drips liquid into a bowl, the sound of which is amplified. Also on view will be elements from “The Black Factory,” an ongoing archive since 2004 of “black objects” gathered from the public, that have been secured in compression boxes.