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### SARAH BRAMAN: YOU ARE EVERYTHING

March 10 – April 16, 2016 534 West 26<sup>th</sup> Street, New York Opening Reception: Thursday, March 10, 6-8 pm



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Mitchell-Innes & Nash is delighted to present YOU ARE EVERYTHING, an exhibition of new sculpture and panel paintings by Sarah Braman. The exhibition opens March 10, 2016 and will be Braman's first solo exhibition in New York in five years.

Braman is known for her large-scale sculptures in which parts of scrapyard vehicles and old furniture are combined with translucent volumes of color and light. The artist's distinctive color palette of rich pinks, blues and purples permeates the exhibition, from spray paint on found objects and hand-dyed fabric to the expansive colors of the glass forms.

For her most recent series, Braman uses scavenged objects from domestic life, such as discarded bunk bed, a truck cap, assorted furniture, as a starting point. Their visible wear-and-tear speaks to the passage of time and recalls the everyday struggles and joys to which these objects bore witness. Braman turns the utility of these objects on their head, destabilizing the notions of home and family.

In contrast, the glass forms to which these objects are attached appear otherworldly. Placed at off-kilter angles throughout the exhibition space, the sunset colored blocks generate a light and shadow that quietly uproot these broken down memorials.

Some of the sculptures have carpets or cushions that invite the viewer into the belly of the work. In "Driving, sleeping, screwing, reading", Braman offers a selection books scavenged from her town dump such as The <u>Guinness Book of World Records. Bobby Fletcher Teaches Chess</u> and <u>Cross Country Skiing</u> as leisurely reading material for those who might like to stay a while.

The artist would like to thank Steve Grant for his patience and skill in welding, Nina Weyl and Seth Coen for their tireless and careful sewing, Barb Hadden for so much studio help, Mom and Liz for all the babysitting, and Saul, Jody and Phil for being the best home team.

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#### About Sarah Braman

Sarah Braman (b. 1970, Tonawanda, NY) lives and works between New York, NY and Amherst, MA. Braman has exhibited in museums and institutions in the US and Europe. In 2013, Braman was the recipient of the Maud Morgan Prize, and in 2014 Braman's solo exhibition *Alive* opened at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA. Her first European solo exhibition was on view in 2011 at MACRO in Rome, Italy. Braman has exhibited work at the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, Kansas City, MI (2015); The Broadway Mall Association and the New York City Parks Department, NY (2015); Kunstforeningen G1 Strand, Copenhagen, Denmark (2014); deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum, Lincoln, MA (2013); *The Zabludowicz Collection Inaugural Installation*, Sarvisalo, Finland (2012); *The Shape We're In*, The Zabludowicz Collection, New York, NY (2011); The De La Cruz Collection Contemporary Art Space, FL (2010); The Lisbon Biennial, Portugal (2010); Greater New York at PS1 Contemporary Art Center, Long Island City, NY (2005). She has had solo exhibitions in New York at Canada and Museum 52. She received her MFA from Tyler School of Art in Philadelphia in 1998, and her BFA from Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore in 1992.

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