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Video Installation Explores Nature and Technology

Wave Farm & CREATE Present eteam's 'Our Non-Understanding of Everything'

Gallery@CREATE Exhibit Dates: October 13 - November 12, 2023

Opening Reception: Friday, October 13th, 6-8pm

Catskill, New York, Sept. 13— CREATE Council on the Arts is pleased to announce *Our Non-Understanding of Everything*, a multi-channel video installation by eteam (Franziska Lamprecht and Hajoe Moderegger). The exhibition, co-organized by Wave Farm, features an immersive video installation in which eteam invites us to consider the emotional and rational relationships we have with our personal tech devices.

This new installation to debut at CREATE's gallery in Catskill was conceived in early 2021 during a pandemic lockdown in Taipei, when eteam began to explore a set of urgent questions: "Should we/could we consider/worship our smart devices like deities in order to honor the spiritual connections we have with them and their connected technologies? How can we entertain and relax our smart devices? What would happen if they would be given a chance to directly interact with our natural environments? Would they start to develop a form of care that would in turn teach us to care in new and unexpected ways?"

Over the course of two years, eteam turned these questions into a daily practice, observing and documenting encounters between their smart devices, the natural environments in which they live, and their proximity to massive architectural grids such as New York City. The exhibit represents the culmination of eteam's findings. The work consists of 16 single-channel videos shot in Greene County, NY; Taipei, Taiwan, New York City; and Mannheim, Germany. The

exhibition features two 50-inch monitors installed in the gallery's storefront windows, and three video projections. The central projection will be rotated on a weekly basis —inviting audiences to make multiple visits to the space to watch the iterations of the show's theme unfold. *Our Non-Understanding of Everything* is a recipient of a 2023 New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) grant and fiscally sponsored by Wave Farm.

An opening reception will be held on Friday, Oct. 13 from 6-8pm. This exhibit will be open to the public and on view from Friday, October 13 to Sunday, November 12. Gallery@CREATE is located at 398 Main Street in Catskill and is open Fridays, 4pm-7pm, and on Saturdays and Sundays, 11am-6pm. The exhibit is free and open to the public. For more information, visit: www.CREATEcouncil.org.

eteam is a two person collaboration who uses video, performance, installation, and writing to instigate and articulate encounters at the edges of diverging cultural, technical and aesthetical universes. eteam's narratives have screened internationally in video- and film festivals, they have lectured in universities, presented in art galleries and museums, and performed in the desert, on fields, in caves and on mountaintops, in ships, black box theaters, and horse-drawn wagons. https://www.meineigenheim.org/portfolio/

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