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October 24 - November 21, 1981 Opening reception: Saturday, October 24, 5 - 7 PM

## Installation: Glenys Johnson

Glenys Johnson is an English artist whose recent "Wall Drawing" constitutes a change in her previous conceptual and theatrical work. The drawing, a composite of mutant feminine figures rendered directly on a plaster ground, refer to mythological, Early Christian and Pagan iconography. Johnson's play with the dislocation and temporalness of negative/positive imagery dramatizes the metaphor of a personal hesitancy and loss of control. Johnson presents her images as signs of vulnerability. A variant of this installation was recently shown at Lisson Gallery in London.

## Installation, Photographs: Meridel Rubenstein

## U.S. PROJECTS

Meridel Rubenstein's recent photographic series entitled "The Lowriders" is a sociological investigation of the popular activities of native New Mexicans. The "Lowrider" is a local artist whose esthetic consists of adorning and displaying the car. Rubenstein's documentation portrays the contemporary process of this folk art within which lies a strong nationalistic impulse and pride. This installation of video, photographs and a color portfolio was shown at The Museum of Fine Arts in Santa Fe, New Mexico where the artist also lives.

U.S. PROJECTS is a series of 10 individual installations. 10 art professionals around the country have selected one artist each from their region. Meridel Rubenstein lives in New Mexico and was chosen by Jean-Edith Weiffenbach.

ARTISTS SPACE Gallery hours are 11:00 to 6:00, Tuesday through Saturday. Press photos are available upon request.

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