

The aim of *shop shop* is to investigate how the experience of art can be discussed through the epitome of consumerism, the shop. This exhibition is a shop with art, which is essentially what a gallery is, and it is this debate we would like to pick up on; is there a difference between making and exhibiting art in commercial and non-commercial contexts? Is it at all possible to make art without being part of consumerism? In fact one wonders if precisely art as a consumer product has been the essence of international contemporary art in the last decade; however it can be proposed that there are ways of working with art that attempt to operate *alongside* art as a consumer product.

*shop shop* is an attempt to formulate ways of thinking about shops and shopping (at times in the context of art) and our own relationship to these issues.

**Rowan Durrant - Marcia Farquhar - Guy Harries - Alexander Hidalgo - Anika Jamieson-Cook - Niki Kyriakidou - Jo Mitchell - Laura Obon - Monika Oechsler - Michael Petry - Curated by Martin Rasmussen**

**NOTE! JOIN US FOR GUY HARRIES' PERFORMANCE *muse hack muzak* THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 7PM**

The exhibition is open 21st March – 8th April 2010, Thur, Fri, Sat and Sun 12-6PM

97-99 Clerkenwell Road, EC1R 5BX (close to Rosebery Avenue) - Farringdon Tube - busses 38, 46, 55, 63, 243

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