

LIFE EXPECTANCY AT SSD

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Apocalyptic narratives are more prevalent in our culture than ever. Expressions of extinction saturate contemporary art, literature, film, pop culture and music. Why are we so drawn to this narrative? Is it simply an interesting and dramatic story, or is the instability of our current politics, economy and climate inspiring a collective darkness. Can reflection on the mortality of our planet bring insight to these chaotic times and perhaps steer us into more sustainable systems?The works in Life Expectancy are a collection of contemporary artifacts displaying a glimpse into our beliefs, fears and desires in this particularly uncertain moment. They present what we might leave behind for future generations or new life forms to discover and demonstrate the lasting effects of man's interventions. Many of the artists in this show are using materials in non-traditional ways and discovering new techniques to create with. As we move forward in technological advancements and political policies, it opens up infinite possibilities for both creation and destruction. Intention being the deciding factor.

About SSD: SHRINE and Sargent's Daughters are excited to announce the launch of a new collaborative project space. Located on the lower level of 179 East Broadway, SSD will serve as a rotating exhibition space for both galleries, a home for outside curatorial projects and a for-rent space for nomadic galleries to inhabit.

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