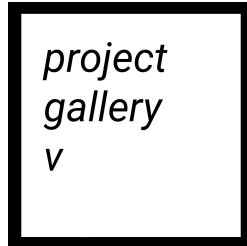


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The Alternative States

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New York City, N.Y., April 26th, 2021 | *The Alternative States* is an online art exhibition featuring works by Amy Bravo, Cecily Brown (courtesy of The LeRoy Neiman Center for Print Studies), Kirill Burygin, Daria Denisova, Alisa Gvozdeva, Luis Gutierrez, Eric Kogan, Erica Mao, Brittany Miller, Lucía Rodríguez, Alina Vinogradova, Alexey Yakovlev, Sofia Yalalova, Marsel Yalalov, and Yuri Yuan.

You can view the exhibition by visiting Project Gallery V's [website](#). The title of the show is inspired by a condition of daydreaming when one finds a stronger connection with their unconscious rather than their reality. This connection originates from Sigmund Freud's psychoanalytic theory of personality suggesting that the unconscious influences people's behavior even if they might not be aware of the changes.

While pondering about existence and questioning the meaning of actuality, we often find ourselves in a different dimension, traversing the deep corners of our minds seeking a muse in the stream of subconsciousness. When we finally escape the world of fantasies, we find ourselves detached from the physical reality and try to find solace in the alternative states of mind. For many, creativity is a safe environment where people lose themselves in thought and retrograde into daydreaming. In *The Alternative States*, the artists reveal the fruits of creative labor produced as a result of dissociation from reality. In twenty-four works, fifteen artists introduce the world through their eyes, initiating the viewers' fall into the space of distraction and fantasy.

This is an online exhibition created by Project Gallery V, which was established in September of 2020 by Cary Hulbert and Trinity Lester. Project Gallery V is geared towards creating community and providing a virtual space for emerging artists to exhibit alongside more established artists. We are committed to breaking down the arbitrary boundaries between artistic practices and supporting artists in every part of their professional creative careers.