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Melissa Wilkinson: *La Petite Mort*

Opening Reception: Thursday, September 25 2014



Threesquared is excited to present recent works from Melissa Wilkinson, Assistant Professor of Art at Arkansas State University. In this new series of watercolor paintings, Wilkinson confronts the image of the body, and expose its inherent contradiction as a passive object of desire in both traditional representation and contemporary painting. These works incorporate appropriated imagery from art history, subjects suggestive of consumption and wealth, and are deconstructed to recontextualize and agitate. Here, she seeks to create a new narrative using an old.

Wilkinson received a BFA from Western Illinois University in 2002 and her MFA from Southern Illinois University - Carbondale in 2006. Her

work has been featured in wide-reaching publications throughout the country including two editions of *New American Paintings*.

The opening party will be held Thursday, September 25th from 6-9 pm. The show will be on display through October 4th during the Arts and Music @ Wedgewood-Houston art crawl.

ABOUT THE GALLERY

Located in the historic Chestnut Square Building, **threesquared** is a contemporary art space dedicated to showcasing work that exemplifies conceptual and aesthetic expertise. We aim to create a forum for discussion and foster a greater sense of artistic community in Nashville. **threesquared** was founded by Dane Carder, whose studio space currently houses the gallery. Sara Estes is the curator. Aside from opening parties, the gallery is open by appointment. For more information, visit threesquaredgallery.com.