## Fracture + precarity in the psychosphere for Merike Estna + Maria Metsalu's *Soft Scrub Hard Body Liquid Presence*, Nov 17 – Jan 13

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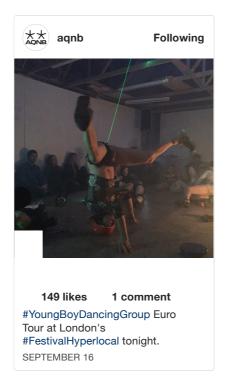
Merike Estna and Maria Metsalu are presenting performance and joint exhibition *Soft Scrub, Hard Body, Liquid Presence* at New York's Art in General, opening November 17 and running to January 13.

Curated by Tallinn's <u>CCAE</u> director Maria Arusoo and happening as part of the <u>PERFORMA 17</u> program, the show reflects on a perceived shift "taking place in the realm of our aesthetic and emotional sensibilities." The two Estonian artists present textiles, rugs, and clothing; sculpture and video, pondering the "deep mutation in the psychosphere" resulting from an overconsumption of virtual space.

Focussing on the female perspective, Estna and Metsalu — the latter of whom is also a member of <u>Young Boy Dancing Group</u> — attempt to address "this uncanny, post-accelerationist body in its new surroundings, questioning our state of turmoil, loneliness, and uncertainty surrounding the future."

There will also be a specially-curated mini-bookshop by artist-founded, Tallinn-based publisher <u>Lugemik</u>, running as part of the exhibition during gallery hours and reflecting on the themes of the show.

See the Art in General website for details.\*\*



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