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RETTOCAMME

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Upstairs/Downstairs

In their latest site specific work, **RETTOCAMME** presents *Upstairs/Downstairs*, a dance installation for the window spaces of the **Jonathan Shorr Gallery** on **May 25, 2007** at **6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m.**. The Jonathan Shorr Gallery is located at 109 Crosby Street between Prince and Houston. Admission is free.

Five performers inhabit the windows of this duplex gallery in Soho, exploring metaphors of social order and unequal distribution of resources. The confined spaces and passers-by shape the piece externally as the dancers work within the rules of a structured improvisation. Intense colors and textures amplify the dancers' shapes, creating a two story live painting when viewed from the street. **Doug Singer** of **the brothers'brothers** provides a spontaneous sound track.

This piece was conceived by **Emma Cotter** and choreographed in collaboration with performers Marcia Brooks, Aaron Graham and Elisa LaBelle. Other featured performers are Kimberly Lantz and Rebecca Whitehurst.

RETTOCAMME was founded by Emma Cotter in 2003 and has been presented at Merce Cunningham, the Construction Company, the Bowery Poetry Club, the Solar Powered Arts Festival and in several **chashama** OASIS festivals. In 2005, **RETTOCAMME** presented a two week run of *Treading Water*, an evening length piece, at the Wings Theatre in Greenwich Village.

Emma Cotter works in the fields of choreography, graphic design and art restoration. She has collaborated on numerous theatrical and mixed media projects in New York City, including **Rebecca Whitehurst's** video dance series *21 Dances in 21 Days* (2007), **Teresa Wimmer's** *A Trio Suite: On the Flip Side* at Tenri Cultural Institute (2006) and Common Factor's production of **Jason Lindner's** *Egyptian Rat Screw* (2001).

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Concept and choreography: Emma Cotter

Downstairs performers: Marcia Brooks, Aaron Graham, Elisa LaBelle

Upstairs performers: Kimberly Lantz, Rebecca Whitehurst

Music by: Doug Singer of "the brothers'brothers"

RETTOCAMME presents *Upstairs/Downstairs* at the Jonathan Shorr Gallery on May 25, 2007 at 6:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.. The Jonathan Shorr Gallery is located at 109 Christopher Street between Prince and Houston. Admission is free. Subway: 6 to Spring, R to Prince, D/F to Broadway Lafayette.