



Andréa Vander Kooij

**I want to tell you
everything**

November 1st to 29th
Opening : Nov. 1st from 2 to 5

This exhibition of large-scale embroidered textiles is the result of years of accumulation of discarded textiles and months of embroidery. Found quilts, repurposed and embellished despite mildew stains and unfinished edges coexist with bed sheets upon which heroic battles are fought between opposing factions of children's cartoon characters. Phantom hands reach in vain for rescue while imagined pregnancies have curious outcomes. Handwritten lists and notes are enlarged and embroidered, allowing us to ponder their non-sequiters.

Both familiar and fantastical, all the works in this exhibition are made using traditional embellishment techniques, and are embroidered by hand.

Andrea Vander Kooij is a Montreal based artist who holds an MFA degree with a concentration in Fibres from Concordia University.

Her practice incorporates traditional craft-based mediums such as knitting, crocheting and embroidery as well as elements of performance. Her work addresses gender issues and the body, and challenges the relative values of art, craft and labour. She enjoys working with found/reclaimed material as well as food.

In 2006 she received the Lillianne Elliot Award for Excellence in Fibres. Recent projects include exhibitions at the YYZ Artist's Outlet and Harbourfront Centre.

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mercredi au samedi
12h à 17h