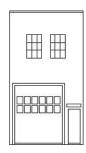
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A Viewing Room v.3

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As a summer-long experiment investigating the relationships between design and art, furniture designer Patty Johnson collaborates with Susan Hobbs Gallery on *A Viewing Room v.3*; a changing exhibition that opens up the conversation on the juncture of art and design. Now in its third version, *A Viewing Room* began with a proposition: to bring the private public. Interiors and the objects that they contain drive and host our lives. Material causes have immaterial effects. This led us to a series of questions.

To begin, how is public space distinct from private? Does a work of art function differently when viewed in domestic versus communal situations? How do design and domestic objects interact alongside artworks?

For A Viewing Room v.3, we continue to look at how design and art converse with one another. Johnson will be presenting a series of design pieces alongside a rotating arrangement of artworks from the gallery's inventory.

Patty Johnson is a designer and educator interested in the interchange between research, design, commerce and culture. Based in the US and Canada, she has developed design projects in Africa, the Caribbean, Central and South America. Johnson has designed product lines for manufacturers like Keilhauer, Nienkamper, David design and Mabeo. In 2016 Johnson joined the faculty of the Rhode Island School of Design and is the Graduate Program Director in the Department of Furniture Design.

Susan Hobbs Gallery is open to the public Wednesday to Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and by appointment. The gallery is located at 137 Tecumseth Street, Toronto.

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