

shortlist



ART-IN-RESIN

Jessica Korderas: Isolation

Looking at artist Jessica Korderas' artwork titled *Isolated Thoughts* fulfills that need to be a nosy neighbour. The four-storey brick apartment building stands unassuming from its outside windows, with the art of people and spaces painted on a thin, polyester film, then layered in acrylic resin, giving it a 3D and glassy appearance. If you peer around the corner of the 21-inch-tall building to see behind-the-scenes, you'll find a little girl playing dolls with a hyena, and a voluptuous woman dressed in a corset and garter, posing on a stool beside her untended laundry—among other secrets. "I wanted to push my interest in the physical divide of an apartment building to a more surreal level," writes Korderas. "I feel like when you are inside a building, you don't think about the structure as a whole, and it is very easy to forget that you are actually surrounded by people." Korderas' works on isolation were born of her recent move to Halifax and the isolated feeling that came with living in a city for the first time—surrounded by people, she says she still felt alone. Check out all of her stunning pieces at Gallery Page & Strange, with a reception on Friday, from 6-8pm. **-Holly Gordon**

April 9 to 30, Gallery Page & Strange, Granville Square,
1869 Granville Street