

From A Cosmic Drift Through Higher Prairie

Richard Proffitt

15 July — 22 September 2023

From A Cosmic Drift Through Higher Prairie reassembles two of Richard Proffitt's previous installation works to form a reimagined, site-responsive environment. Through the reappraisal and coalescence of existent elements with additional recent works, Proffitt encourages narratives and themes to shift, morph, and bend. *From A Cosmic Drift Through Higher Prairie* presents an otherworldly, intimate, and immersive experience amidst the ghostly debris of psychedelia, the failures of counterculture, and the remnants of an alternative spiritualism.

Richard Proffitt's work in painting, sculpture, video, and sound is characterised by its manipulation and repurposing of found material, recurring themes, coded motifs, and symbolism. These works often combine to create installations that evoke previously inhabited and later abandoned places of worship; environments suggestive of the intermingling universes of esoteric religions, the bedrooms of teenage loners, and the remote dwellings of psychedelic death cults.

Richard is represented by Kevin Kavanagh, contemporary art gallery, Dublin. Richard Proffitt (born 1985, Liverpool, UK) lives and works in Dublin. Recent exhibitions include *A Memory Circular*, Kevin Kavanagh, Dublin, 2021; *Little Did They Know: EVA International 2020-21*, Limerick City, 2021; *The Museum of Ancient History*, UCD, Dublin, 2020; and *Display, Link and Cure*, The Complex, Dublin, 2019.

Forthcoming coming events:

Sunday August 6th, Paddy Critchley in conversation and song with musician Seán McKenna (The Mary Wallopers)

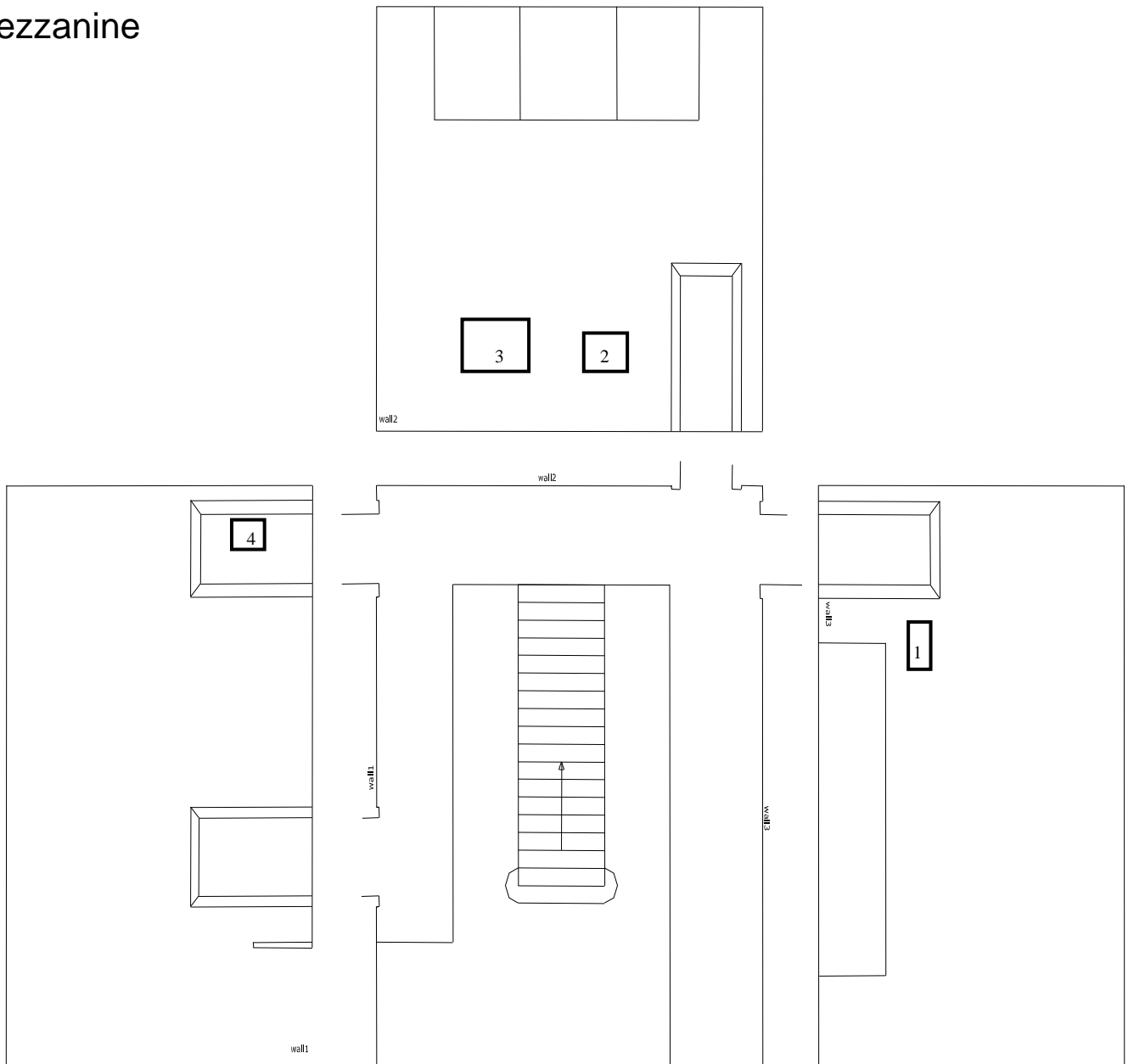
Saturday August 12th, Richard Proffitt in conversation with writer, curator and art historian, Padraic E. Moore

More information available at www.thedock.ie.

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Mezzanine



1. '95, oil and varnish on found plywood, 2021, 30 X 49cm, €1600

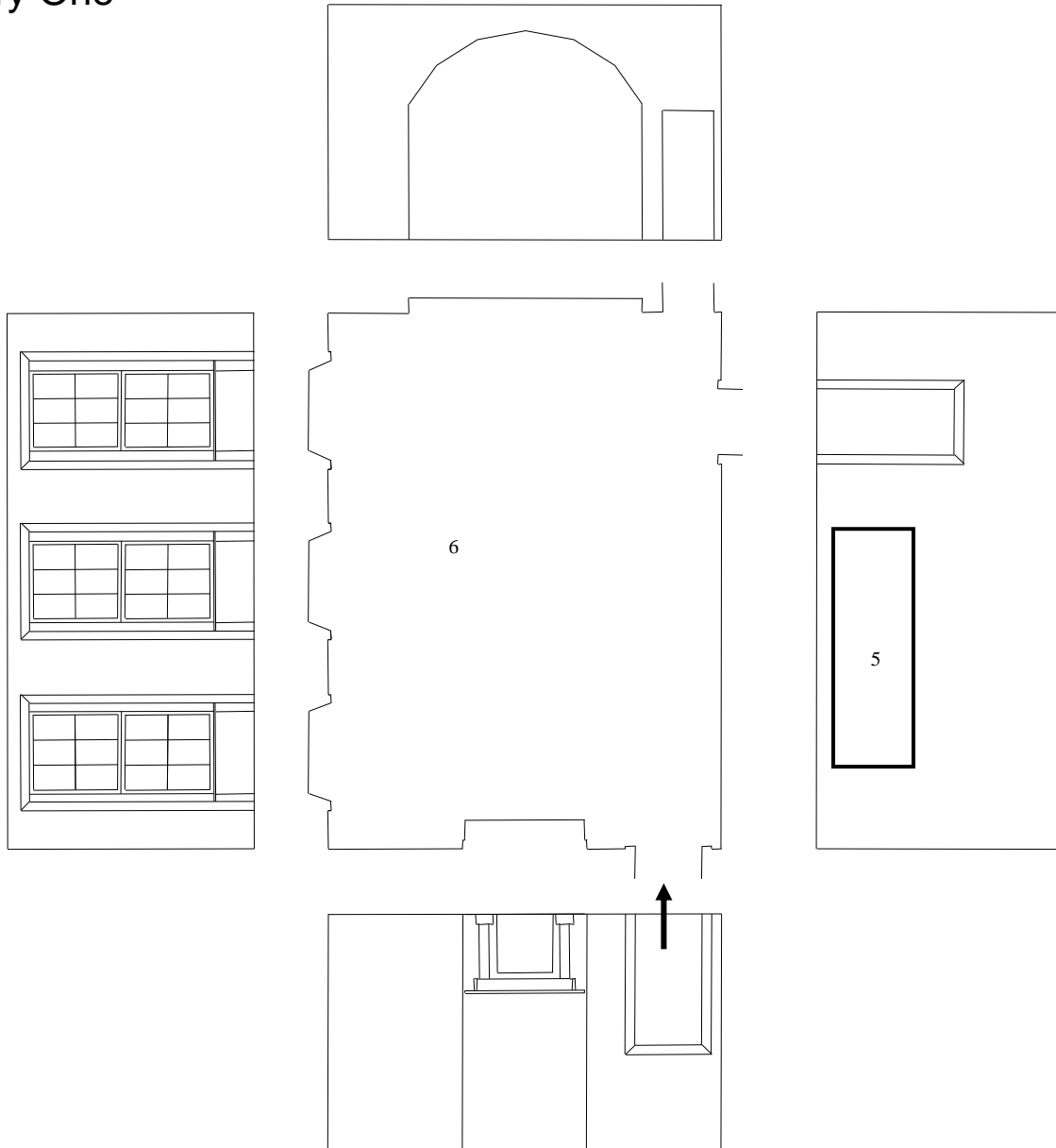
2. *the only silver-toothed dog I knew*, oil on wood panel, 2023, 60 x 80cm, €2800

3. *on the edge of /jaguars*, oil, tempera and spray paint on found plywood, 2023, 100 x 120cm, €4400

4. *untitled*, oil, tempera, spray paint and varnish on plywood, 2022, 31 x 29.5cm, €1200

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Gallery One



5. *you're not dreaming anymore*, digital video, 2023, 12mins.

6. *from a cosmic drift through higher prairie*, mixed media, 2011-2023