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WORTH ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD

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Worth Its Weight In Gold brings together a diverse range of artists and creative professionals to explore the continued cultural connotations surrounding the mythology of resource booms in Australia. Tied together through a common experience of sheep or the sheep industry, the project investigates the idyllic rural lifestyle and Australia’s historicised values of being ‘built on the sheep’s back’.

In this exhibition, Australia’s rural history is experienced by an audience in a dining room set up within the gallery space. Drawing on the Victorian era model of inviting people to dinner specifically to view a new artistic acquisition, this exhibition creates a forum to explore how Australian historic idealism translates within a contemporary, cosmopolitan setting.

Featuring written contributions from Francis Russell, Christina Chau and Kate Mullen, Worth Its Weight In Gold is a vehicle to reflect upon the mythologies of what it means to be a rural or a city dweller in Australia.

We invite you to explore the mythologies of rural experience in Australia and navigate a relationship with rural and urban community by coming along to the exhibition opening. You can also visit the project’s website to view weekly updates on the diverse art practices and stories of these Western Australian artists, at www.worthitsweightingold.net.

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EXHIBITION OPENS
Friday 23 May at 6 pm

EXHIBITION RUNS
12 May - 14 June 2014

OPENING HOURS
Monday - Friday 10 - 4
Saturday 10 - 3
Sunday 11 - 4
or by appointment.

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Roderick Sprigg
Mechanical Nuisance (2003)
Installation shot of mirrored perspex

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