

a ready exhibition

just add reality...

### Like R. Mutt

If you've ever been to an art exhibition and thought, "I could do that", but never have, this is the show for you!

Everything\* you need to be a curator of a hit contemporary art show is here. Just follow the simple 12-step program to create it.

Amaze your friends.
Bewilder your enemies.
Subvert the dominant paradigm.

#### Just add reality.

\*Does not include courage, motivation, space, or funding.



## The 12-step program

- To realise this exhibition, follow these simple steps:
- 1. Decide to do it.
- 2. Print this document.
- 3. Find the space.

Hint: offices are good.

- 4. Find an interpretation for each work in your space.
- 5. Install the works by placing the titles next to them.
- 6. Schedule an opening and invite absolutely everyone.

Hint: use social media.

- 7. Cater your opening with the obligatory sushi, humous, and mini-quiches.
- 8. Drink ubiqutous champagne.
- 9. Bask in the glory.
- 10. Denounce your critics.
- 11. Endure your artistic hangover.
- 12. Exit through the gift shop.
- Now you're just like R. Mutt.



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## catalogue for a ready exhibition of works by no-one in particular

- 1 not in use coat rack / dimensions variable
- Walter Benjamin changed my life photocopier / dimensions variable
- 3 [void] an empty space / dimensions variable
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- 5 here we go again recycle bin / dimensions variable



## 1 not in use coat rack / dimensions variable

on what do ideas hang
do they sit in space supported by art alone
or is there something on which we hang them
while we're not wearing them
because sometimes it's not the season for ideas
or they become unfashionable
they must hang somewhere
until we're ready to wear them again
perhaps during a cold snap
or when we forgot to bring something more suitable
and there they are
hanging around
whereever it is that they hang
until we need them



## Walter Benjamin changed my life photocopier / dimensions variable

there is a moment after you press start

before anything happens

in that moment, and for just that moment, anything can happen

art can be created

worlds can be discovered

history can be made

there is a moment before the machinery turns when the impossible isn't

but then it begins

a beam of light

an observation

a collection of fusible dust

heat

pressure

a predictable delivery

and the moment is gone

and all that remains is another one

just like the one you had

and if you do it some more you could have a whole collection

all the same

instead of just one

the one that was different



## 3 [void]

#### an empty space / dimensions variable

sometimes

after we take something away

though no thing remains

something

is still there

in the space

where the thing

we took away

was

but no longer is

there

in that place

is a different kind of thing

to the thing

we took away

but

strangely

it seems the same



# 4 the collective un-Pontius hand basin / dimensions variable

out

out

damn spot

come

come

damn spotless

try to remove the dirt

try to remove the germs

try to remove the stains

try

try

the indelible

remains



# 5 here we go again recycle bin / dimensions variable

re-cycle bicycle

real

re-cycle real bicycle wheel

re-cycle the real bicycle wheel before the fountain spreads into unmade beds...

re: sigh bye, sigh cool will

still hanging around





no white gloves were used in the installation of this exhibition





\*may contain irony



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