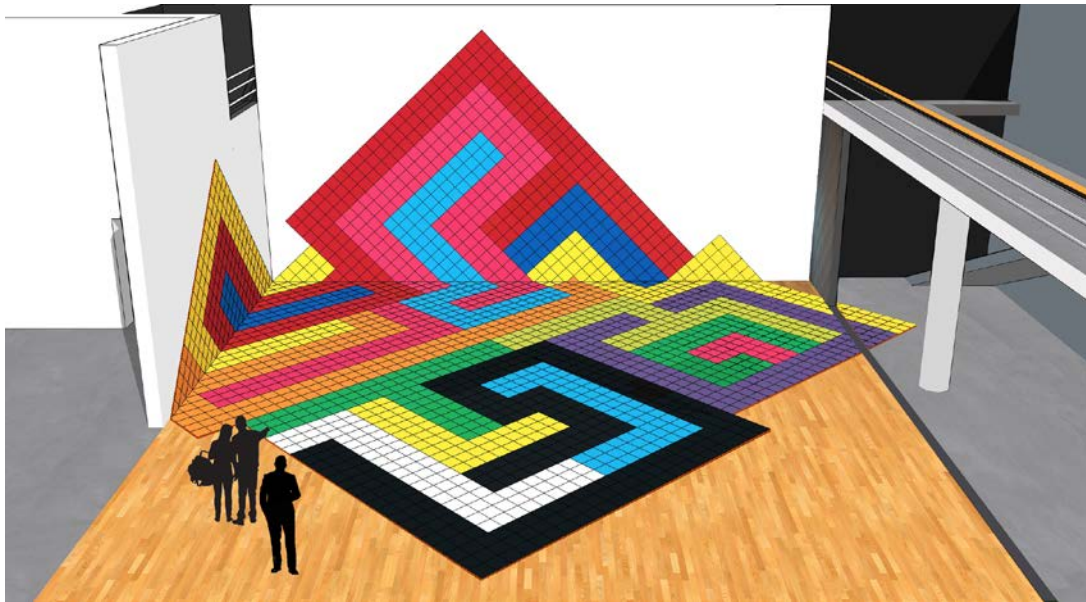


Moody Center for the Arts to invite the public to interact with *Repeater*, a site-specific sculpture by David Scanavino, beginning June 3



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HOUSTON, TX, [April 17, 2017] — Alison Weaver, the Suzanne Deal Booth Executive Director of the Moody Center for the Arts, today announced that the Moody will present the engaging, colorful site-specific sculpture *Repeater*, created by Brooklyn-based artist David Scanavino, beginning June 3, 2017. Playfully skewing the shape of the floor and sending it up the walls to a height of 24 feet, the design of *Repeater*, made of commonly available industrial tiles, creates pathways that invite people to move in and around the artwork.

To inaugurate the work, the Moody will hold a day of family programs on **Saturday, June 3, 12-6PM**, including a set by DJ Flash Gordon Parks (12-2:30PM), food trucks, and a presentation by David Scanavino (2:30-3PM). Additionally, Houston's own Outspoken Bean will hold a spoken word performance from 3-4:30PM that includes poets from Meta-Four Houston and Houston V.I.P. Poetry Slam to help welcome the new installation. The Moody is also partnering with the non-profit Aurora Picture Show to host a film screening in the Lois Chiles Studio Theater from 4:30-6PM.

Repeater will remain installed at the Moody through August 26, 2017.

"*Repeater* is an immersive sculpture that enables viewers to walk into an environment that is both a colorful geometric painting and an institutional architectural space," David Scanavino said. "As a site for engagement within the multidisciplinary Moody, it can serve as a space for scheduled performances or impromptu activity, while heightening awareness of the spaces and contours of the Moody's building."

Alison Weaver said, "By offering people an almost irresistible invitation to move around in its patterned surface, David Scanavino's *Repeater* demonstrates a core principle of the Moody, that creativity leads to more creativity. We'll be inviting community groups to come into the Moody all summer long to conduct performances in and around *Repeater*. It's a great way for us to engage the public while activating the wonderful architectural spaces that Michael Maltzan has designed for us."

About the artist

David Scanavino (b. 1978, Denver, Colorado) lives and works in New York City. A graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design (BFA in painting, 2001) and the Yale University School of the Arts (MFA in painting, 2003), Scanavino has had numerous group and solo gallery exhibitions over the past dozen years, as well as two recent solo museum exhibitions: *Imperial Texture* at the Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum in Ridgefield, CT, and *Reset: Candy Crush* at the Pulitzer Arts Foundation in St. Louis, MO. He has recently finished a commission for the Columbus Metropolitan Public Library in Columbus, Ohio.

About the Moody Center for the Arts

Inaugurated in February 2017, the Moody Center for the Arts at Rice University is a state-of-the-art, non-collecting institution dedicated to transdisciplinary collaboration among the arts, sciences and humanities. The 50,000-square foot facility, designed by acclaimed Los Angeles-based architect Michael Maltzan, serves as an experimental platform for creating and presenting works in all disciplines, a flexible teaching space to encourage new modes of making and a forum for creative partnerships with visiting national and international artists. The Moody is free and open to the public year-round.

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Hours & Admission:

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Directions & Parking:

The Moody Center for the Arts is located on the campus of Rice University, and is best reached by using Campus Entrance 8 at the intersection of University Boulevard and Stockton Street. As you enter campus, the building is on the right, just past the Media Center. There is a dedicated parking lot adjacent to the building. Payment for the Moody Lot is by credit card only. For campus maps, visit www.rice.edu/maps.

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