

Mysterium Tremendum



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INVITES YOU TO

Mysterium Tremendum

**OPENING
RECEPTION**

**FEBRUARY 2
6-9PM**

Art Exhibition

February 2-7
12-6pm

Firehouse/Mancuso Room Gallery
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A sense of something mysterious, overwhelming, and daunting which elicits from us a sense of diminution, humility, submission, and creatureliness. A mystery that repels when the dreadful, fearful, and overwhelming aspect of the numinous appears and humans are irresistibly drawn to the glory, and beauty of the otherworldly.

Declan Morrell AKA Foxito invites you to his latest exhibition *Mysterium Tremendum*. The collages and paintings elicit fear and awe as we perceive an imminent threat pulsing behind the lives of his new characters: the traveller, the man-machine, and the artist. From the Lower East Side to the furthest known Galaxies, Foxito brings us on a sci-fi meditation on violence, extreme encounters and hope. The situations depicted in the collage tableaus evoke

a spiritual element of transcendence that help us rise from the materiality of our daily existence. *Etheric Calculations* plays with quantum physics, celestial mechanics & mathematics to speculate about time travel and the interstitial spaces where the travelers will find safety. And *Sanctuary of the Mind* evokes the feeling of a refuge inside us all. In *Flame of Grace* the encounter between the human and the non human at Collier's Hook in the LES bring the numinous to humanity. The politics of fear and awe are brought about by the "gift" imparted by Artificial Intelligence, which in Foxito's work resonates with the horrors of forced Christianity during colonial times.

Curated by Ruth Somalo