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# Urban Video Project

Essay by Mary Lee Hodgens

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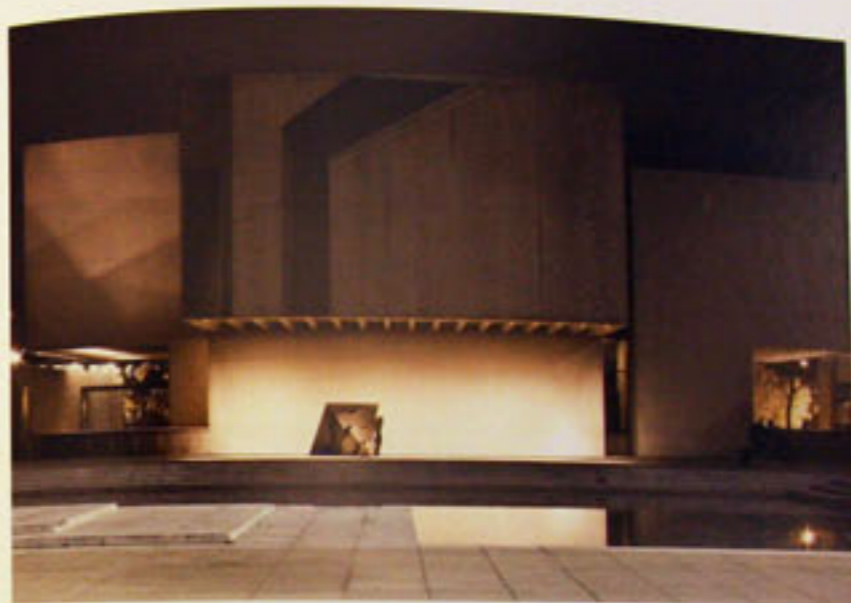
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paint altering the building. As it blends with the concrete façade, one becomes more sensitive to the details of the place. While visitors sit or walk through the plaza, *401 Harrison Street* invites pedestrians to slow down, meditate, and be re-familiarized with our shared landscape." The piece can be viewed from sundown to 11 p.m., Thursday through Saturday evenings from September 6 through October 27, 2012.

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KAREN BRUMMUND, Ithaca, NY (b. Atlanta, GA, 1980)  
*401 Harrison Street*, 2012  
Video stills from installation on Everson Museum north façade



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