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Brazilian artist Jonathas de Andrade presents *Voyeristico*, his first video shown outdoors, on CAM's facade for Street Views



Jonathas de Andrade, *Voyeristico* (still), 2018. HD video, 4:25 minutes. Courtesy the artist and Alexander and Bonin, New York.

**July 3, 2019 (St. Louis, MO)** - The Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis (CAM) presents the 2018 video *Voyeristico*, by Brazilian artist Jonathas de Andrade, projected on the building's facade as part of the Street Views series. *Voyeristico*, de Andrade's first video projected outdoors, will be on view from dusk to midnight as part of CAM's fall exhibitions, September 6 through December 29, 2019.

As the title suggests, de Andrade's work is a provocative act of voyeurism into one of the most private spaces—people's wallets. The video was made in his hometown of Recife in northeastern Brazil, where the artist lives and works, as well as São Paulo. De Andrade approached individuals on the street and requested permission to film them slowly opening their wallets and revealing the contents. The video offers a unique visual entry into the participants' private lives. De Andrade has selected a particularly charged object—wallets contain documentation of identity, citizenship, social background, associations both personal and professional, as well as hints of the subjects' wealth. Given the rise of corruption in contemporary Brazil, the video can also be read as a commentary on wealth, privilege, and secrecy.

Jonathas de Andrade (b. 1982, Maceió, Brazil, lives and works in Recife) uses photography, installation, and video to traverse collective memory and history, making use of strategies that shuffle fiction and reality. De Andrade collects and catalogues architecture, images, texts, and life stories to recompose a personal narrative of the past. Recent solo museum exhibitions include Kunsthalle Lissabon, Lisbon (2013); Musée d'art Contemporain de Montréal (2013); Museu de Arte do Rio (2014–15); Museu de Arte de São Paulo, 2016–17); The Power Plant, Toronto (2017); New Museum, New York (2017); and Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago (2019).

*Jonathas de Andrade: Voyeristico* is organized for the Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis by Misa Jeffereis, Assistant Curator.



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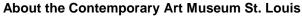
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