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## JULIA MANDLE

### *Fabrication of Blindness/Fabricating Rain*

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**MARCH 21 – APRIL 25, 2009**

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This installation and interactive, community-driven intervention seeks to mend wounds caused by America's abuse of human rights at a turning point in our country's policy on the detention camps at Guantanamo Bay. Audiences are invited to participate in *Fabricating Rain* – the creative action of hand-embroidering detainee-written narratives and poetry onto hoods made of U.S. military issue sandbags.

Participants may join scheduled *Fabricating Rain* embroidery circles, or stop by during regular gallery hours to contribute to the *Fabrication of Blindness* installation. Embroidery takes approximately 2 hours.

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**OPENING DAY – MEET THE ARTIST:** March 21, 2009, 2 pm

**FABRICATING RAIN EMBROIDERY CIRCLES:**

Thursdays and Saturdays, 2 – 6pm

**EXHIBITION HOURS:** Wednesday – Saturday, 1 – 7pm & by appointment

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*Fabrication of Blindness* is presented in partnership with J Mandle Performance ([www.jmandleperformance.org](http://www.jmandleperformance.org)). This work was initiated through a commission from The Baryshnikov Arts Center and the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs. *Fabricating Rain* is produced in part from the generous support of the Kings Fountain Foundation.

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