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## **NEW/USED/WET/BROKEN**

JANUARY 10 - FEBRUARY 8, 2014







Richmond, VA - 1708 Gallery is pleased to present NEW/ USED/WET/BROKEN, featuring sculpture, video and installation by Jeff Williams. Join us for the opening reception on Friday, January 10 at 6:00 p.m., with an artist talk at 6:30 p.m.

Jeff Williams' sculptural experiments test the structural limits of materials as well as conventional understandings of where art begins and ends. Actively engaging entropic forces such as torque, strain and corrosion, Williams' works evoke both the essence and the decline of American industry, and deploy deterioration as a creative process.

Jeff Williams is Assistant Professor of Sculpture at the University of Texas in Austin. Williams has been a resident at the American Academy in Rome and the Core Program in Houston, TX, and has exhibited widely, including at SPACES Gallery in Cleveland, OH, Socrates Sculpture Park in Queens, NY, Recess Art in New York, NY, Artpace in San Antonio, TX, and at Project Row Houses in Houston, TX.

For more information about the artist please visit: http://jeff-williams.net/.

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**1708 Gallery** is a non-profit arts organization committed to presenting exceptional new art. 1708 Gallery is committed to providing opportunities for artistic innovation for emerging and established artists and to expanding the understanding and appreciation of new art for the public.

**IMAGE CREDITS:** Jeff Williams, *Gods and Machines*, 2013, Marble, aluminum, rotator; Jeff Williams, *Column*, 2013, Wood, steel, hardware; Jeff Williams, *Oxidation Table*, 2013, Steel, hydrogen peroxide