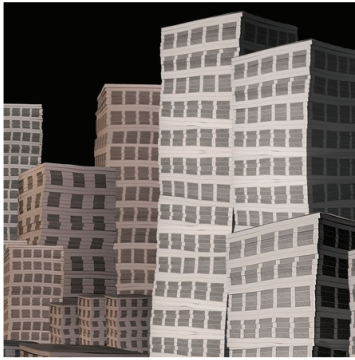




Marie-Hélène Leblanc and Ève Breton-Roy *Débâtir la ville / Unbuilding the city*

BOOK LAUNCH
October 9, 2009 at 5:00 pm



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Débâtir la ville / Unbuilding the city (detail)

On October 9, 2009 at 5:00 pm will take place at LA CHAMBRE BLANCHE the launching of the book *Débâtir la ville / Unbuilding the city* by Marie-Hélène Leblanc (text) et Ève Breton-Roy (drawings). The two artists have produced an art book during the course of their residency at the Centre SAGAMIE in Alma. Composed of drawings and brief texts, this book is a description of the city and of one of its inhabitants, and of their respective deconstruction.

Unbuilding the city is also a concrete stage in the deconstruction of a city made of paper buildings. Each copy of the book is presented in an arrangement designed to represent the edifices in a city. It is thus part and parcel of those edifices and also represents an extract of the lives of the city's citizens. By purchasing a book, the reader physically removes a component of the city model and subsequently contributes to its deconstruction.

Marie-Hélène Leblanc lives and works in Gatineau where she is the artistic director of the Daïmōn artists' center, a production center for photography, video and new media. Her interests lie in architecture and temporary habitation, both far and near. She has contributed as both commissioner and artist in a dozen exhibitions in Quebec and France.

Ève Breton-Roy lives and works in L'Anse-Saint-Jean where she heads Terrain vague inc., a publishing house for art books and a book-binding workshop. She received her Master's degree in visual arts from the Université du Québec à Chicoutimi where she analysed books as objects in themselves and the formal characteristics of their role as the materialisation of thought. In October 2007, she presented "Campagne de salissage", her first solo exhibition, at the Espace Virtuel artists' center in Chicoutimi.

Special price at the book launch: \$15, tax included.

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