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***Body Ajar***

**On view at FLOCKart by Collar Works**

April 19th-June 1st

Opening reception: April 19th, 6-8 PM

Woodland Hill Montessori School  
100 Montessori Pl  
Rensselaer, NY 12144

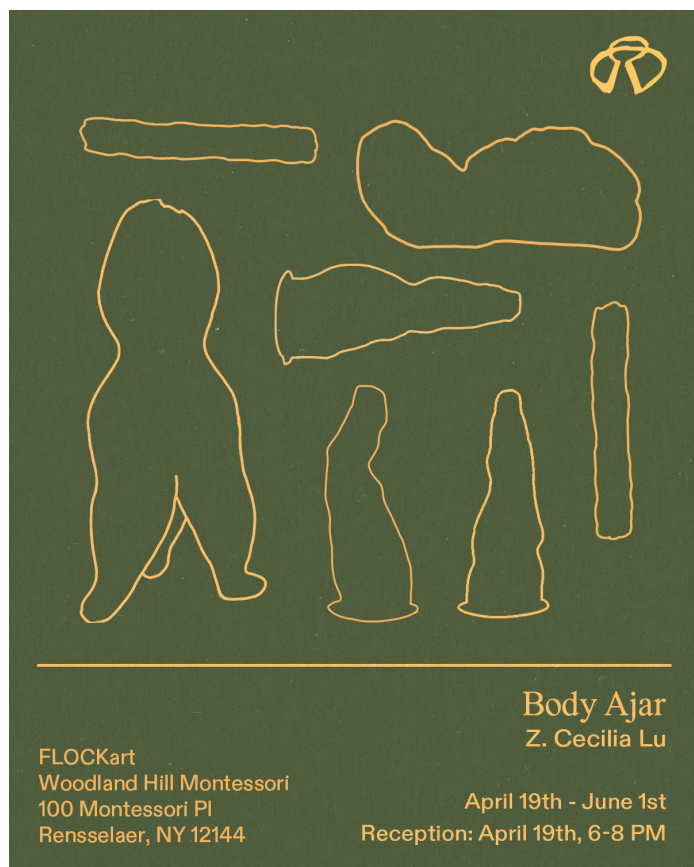
**Collar Works is proud to present *Body Ajar***, an exhibition featuring new work by Z. Cecilia Lu.

*Body Ajar* holds new sculpture and ceramics that explore the body as an assemblage of memories, environments, medicines, and desires; as contingent and dynamic; as a site for healing, regeneration, death, and decay. Traces of the body reverberate, meeting the echoes of other incantations —

of ancient Chinese cooking vessels and cast jujube dates, cradled by clay and paper pulp, descendents of transformed earth. *Body Ajar* asks about possibility — and of what becomes through the cracks, holes, fissures, and pores.

**About the artist:**

Z. Cecilia Lu is a Chinese-American artist based in New York. Her art practice engages multi-generational and familial histories in the context of mourning and non-western healing practices.





She has commenced solo undertakings/shows at The Soil Factory (Ithaca, NY) and The Herbert F Johnson Museum of Art (Ithaca, NY) and participated in group shows in Upstate NY and NYC. She was artist-in-residence at Monson Arts Center (Monson, ME), Jingdezhen Pottery Workshop (Jingdezhen, China), Woodstock Byrdcliffe (Woodstock, NY), and has received grants from The Northern Clay Center and Cornell University.

#### **About FLOCKart:**

FLOCKart is a mobile gallery, residency, and arts education program in a renovated shipping container that connects diverse artists with urban and rural communities to learn, create, experiment, and unite around contemporary art.

#### **General Information**

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Email: [info@collarworks.org](mailto:info@collarworks.org)

Hours: Events and by appointment- call 518.285.0765 to schedule.

#### **About Collar Works**

Collar Works is a non-profit art space located at 621 River St. in Troy, NY, dedicated to supporting emerging and underrepresented artists working in any media, and exhibiting challenging and culturally relevant contemporary artworks. Expanding the current art vernacular in New York's capital region, Collar Works provides a venue for community dialogue focused on serious, provocative, and spirited artworks.