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Transparent Studio: Pooneh Maghazehe
12 May – 23 June 2012
Open Studio: Thursday, 7 June, 6 – 9 pm

This is furniture, and it is passive aggressive.
It is a negotiation between the object of comfort and
its generosity: the manipulation of an object's reply to
visceral memory.

---- Pooneh Maghazehe

Brooklyn, NY... Transparent Studio at Bose Pacia is pleased to announce the current artist-in-residence, Pooneh Maghazehe. During the residency program, Maghazehe will adapt the storefront space for multiple uses: a furniture store, a boutique hotel lobby, an office, and a living room. She will be interrogating the functional and obstructed uses of pre-owned recliners, sectionals, love seats and sofa beds. Methodically peeled and destabilized, the structures reveal vulnerability and underscore the interdependence between materials inherent to prefab seating furniture. Maghazehe traces the background of specific objects and anthropomorphizes reactions to emotions that are inherent in the objects of comfort.

Gallery hours are by appointment only: Tuesday through Friday from 11 to 6 pm and Saturday 12 to 6. There will be an open studio event with the artist on 7 June from 6 to 9 pm. The space is open to the public.

Pooneh Maghazehe was born in Brooklyn and raised in Levittown, Pennsylvania. She has exhibited in national and international exhibitions including Perry Rubenstein Gallery, Arario Gallery, Beijing 798 Biennale, Chelsea Art Museum, DePaul University Museum in Chicago, Rossi & Rossi Gallery, ZKM Center for Art and Media, and Asian Contemporary Art Week. Select publications include *The New York Times*, *Art Asia Pacific Magazine*, *Art Map Magazine*, *The Washington Post*, *1 Magazine*, and *Guernica Magazine*. She lives and works in Brooklyn, NY.

About Transparent Studio at Bose Pacia, NY:

Launched in January 2012, Transparent Studio is an artist residency program founded by Bose Pacia. Emerging and mid career artists are chosen for the studio program through a submissions process based on project proposal and artistic merit. Residents are provided with a studio in the main gallery space for a 1-3 month period. By turning the transitional gallery space into temporary artist studios on the street-level in an active arts neighborhood, we are hoping to allow for an atmosphere of engagement and conversation around the creative process. During the residency, the public is invited to interact with the artist during their creative process allowing exchange and collaborative relationships.

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