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**GABRIEL ACEVEDO VELARDE**

**No Matter What Happens To You, We Will Keep Growing**

October 18th - November 15th, 2008

Opening Reception: Saturday October 18th, 6 - 9 pm

Performance by the artist: 7 pm

Y Gallery is pleased to present "No Matter What Happens To You, We Will Keep Growing", the first solo exhibition in New York by Gabriel Acevedo Velarde, curated by Cecilia Jurado.

Acevedo Velarde will open the exhibition with a video-based performance that depicts features of a conference, a music concert, and a political speech, unfolding a rather intimist discourse about leading himself. The notion of society as an organism raises many questions, such as how to trace the borders between individuals and groups, or how to re-invent freewill in a context that seems to be forcing tricky collective integrations. Acevedo's work constantly oscillates between these general issues and personal, meaningless-looking matters, thus finding a place for individual poetics in the midst of distorted universalist projections. "It scares me when someone makes a pompous statement about something one agrees with; that's how I feel with my internal voice". A video-document of the performance will remain in the gallery after the opening day, along with drawings and digital prints related to the presentation.

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Gabriel Acevedo Velarde was born in Lima-Peru in 1976. He moved to Mexico in 2000. His work has been shown as solo projects in Museo Carrillo Gil (Mexico), Galerie Adler (Frankfurt), The Agency Contemporary (London), Galeria Leme (Sao Paulo), and in group shows such as: the Guangzhou Triennial (Guangzhou), Panorama da Arte Brasileira (Museu de Arte Moderna, Sao Paulo), Old News 4 (Midway Contemporary Art, Minneapolis), Version animeé (Centre Pour L'image Contemporain, Geneve) and STUK START (STUK Artcenter, Leuven, Belgium, among others. He currently lives and works in Berlin.

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