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**“Are we there yet?”
Exhibition of paintings by Amy Leah Wolf
opens at One Brooklyn Bridge Park Gallery**

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Above: Scaredy Squirrel, 2022, collage and acrylic, 16 x 16 x 2 in; Pick 'ur own, 2022, collage and acrylic, 12 x 12 x 2 in.

New York, NY, October 3, 2022 - “Are we there yet?” an exhibition of paintings by Amy Leah Wolf, opens at One Brooklyn Bridge Park Gallery. The show is made possible by a grant of space from ChaShaMa.

On view October 22, 2022 - November 6, 2022

- Opening reception: October 22, 4:00 - 8:00 pm
- Closing reception with artist's talk: November 6, 5:00 - 8:00 pm
- Hours: Wednesday through Sunday, 2 pm till 7 pm, during events, or by appointment.
- One Brooklyn Bridge Park Gallery, (at 135 Bridge Park Drive), Brooklyn, NY 11201

“Are we there yet?” featuring more than 35 collaged paintings by Amy Leah Wolf produced in recent years. Wolf uses childrens’ drawings and paintings as a base and inspiration for complex abstract compositions, which celebrate the raw and unrestrained art of the young. These source materials are donated by families and children (including her own) in an informal social practice that invites children to be part of the creative process.

The works both feature and obscure the pop culture references that inundate the lives of younger generations. Woven throughout the works are themes of contagion, emotional expression, protest, abortion, among others.

The title, “Are we there yet?” references the struggle to determine when a painting is complete. The second meaning brings us back to our own experience of impatience, excitement, and expectation of childhood (or for those with children, the churn of parenthood).

Many of Wolf’s pieces have lived multiple lives, with obscured layers of collage and paint telling fleeting stories that will never be restored. The painted sides of the canvas reveal the past lives and layers of the painting, a palimpsest of prior attempts, urges, inspirations, and U-turns.

The three-dimensionality of the works provides an ever-changing experience and allows the viewer to create their own stories and narratives.

This exhibition is produced with a generous grant of space and support by ChaShaMa, at www.chashama.com. Since 1995, Chashama has partnered with property owners to transform unused real estate for 30,000 artists, hosted 4,000 public art events, provided 1,500 classes in under-served communities, and reached audiences of nearly a million.

About the artist

Amy Leah Wolf is an artist, mother, and nonprofit marketing director, who has put down roots in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. She recently participated in an artist residency and group show with Carrie Able Gallery, Brooklyn. She also curated and contributed to RE:PURPOSE, a group show at the Living Gallery, Brooklyn. She has work in private collections nationally and internationally and produces commissions for families using their source material. More at www.amyleahwolf.com and on instagram at @amy_wolf_studio.

Getting to the gallery

The gallery is located on the waterfront of Brooklyn Bridge Park on the ground floor of One Brooklyn Bridge Park, (ats 135 Bridge Park Drive), Brooklyn, NY 11201. It is directly across from the Pier 6/Atlantic Avenue Ferry stop. It is also accessible from Downtown Brooklyn subways including the Court Square N / R / W trains and the Clark Street 2 / 3 trains. There is a parking lot directly behind the gallery as well as limited street parking in the area.