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“PROJECT: RENDITION”

While not quite extraordinary, this show, by JC2—a.k.a. Joy Episalla, Joy Garnett, Carrie Moyer, and Carrie Yamaoka—makes nice use of a famous 1630 sermon by John Winthrop, the governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. It is from this document that Presidential speechwriters lifted the phrase “a city upon a hill.” JC2 prints an excerpt of the text on a giveaway poster, in ink that shows up only in black light: “The eyes of all people are upon us. So that if we shall deal falsely with our God in this work we have undertaken . . . we shall be made a story and a by-word throughout the world.” An interactive sculpture is more heavy-handed—a pentagonal box in mirrored glass, with a soundtrack of snippets of jingoistic sci-fi. Through June 25. (Momenta, 359 Bedford Ave. 718-218-8058.)