## Prescriptions for Life

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## Prescriptions for Life: Collages & Writings

A collaboration between artist Paula Gray & poet Theresa Whitehill

Exhibition Dates: Wednesday, March 4 through Thursday, July 30, 2020

Opening Reception, Poetry Reading & Closing Reception: canceled due to novel coronavirus

Desasi | Matta Gallery Deirdre Visser, Art Curator

California Institute of Integral Studies (CIIS), 1453 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA

In this exhibition, visual artist Paula Gray and poet Theresa Whitehill collaborate on the theme of "prescriptions for life," based on collages Paula Gray created from a nineteenth century medical prescription ledger that she found, along with Whitehill's writings exploring related themes, presented as a series of letterpress broadsides. As part of the project, Whitehill researched medical prescription ledgers and found surviving copies in the UCSF Medical Library from the nineteenth to the early twentieth centuries. UCSF will be loaning two of those volumes to the exhibit, where they will be on view.

CIIS Website: https://www.ciis.edu/about-ciis/the-arts-at-ciis/arts-at-ciis/events/prescriptions-2

CIIS Video Virtual Exhibit Tour: Link to YouTube

CIIS Essay by curator Deirdre Visser: Link to Blog