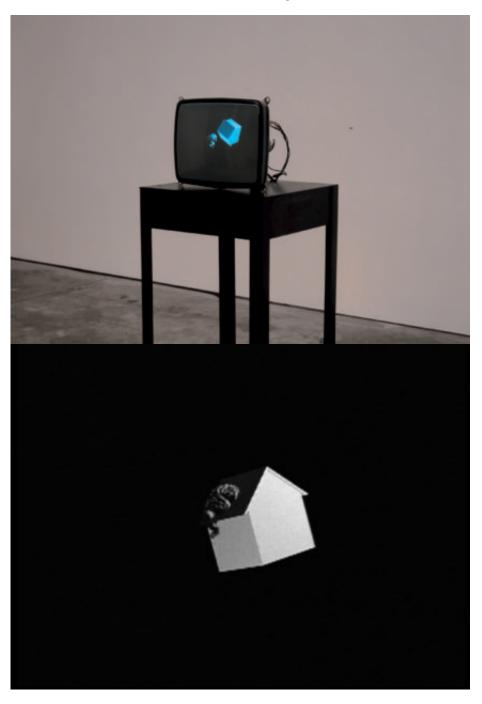
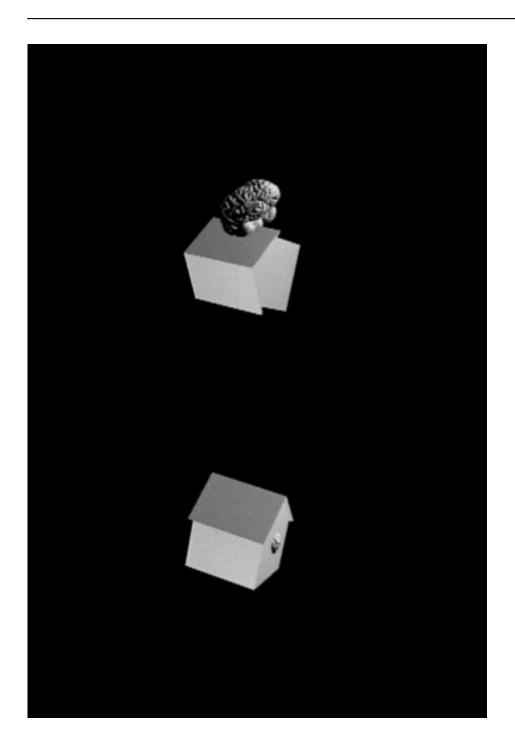
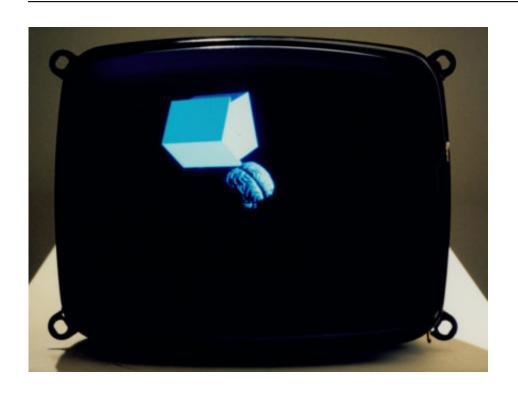
# GARY HILL



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**Title:**Liminal Objects #2 [house and brain]

Date: 1996

Media: Single-channel video installation, silent

### **Description:**

Modified 14-inch black-and-white monitor (cathode ray tube removed from chassis), metal stand, one laserdisc player, and one laserdisc (black-and-white, silent)

Dimensions of stand: 36 x 16 x 16 inches (91 x 40 x 40 cm.); monitor horizontal

Edition of two and one artist's proof

Liminal Objects is an ongoing series of black-and-white works utilizing simple computer animation. The images are displayed on a 14-inch monitor that has been removed from its housing and placed either horizontally or vertically on a metal platform three feet in height. Each work in the series involves two objects that, in a sense, violate each other's borders in unpredictable ways. Typically, one of the objects sits in stillness while the other moves in, around and through it in a repetitive interaction and circular logic that suggest different readings of these veritable micro scenes. In these works, Hill has deprived the objects of the ability to produce shadows and from having color or texture; instead they remain rigorously textual and playfully idiomatic.

Liminal Objects #2 deals with a brain and a house. The house is rendered with a simple rectangular solid and peaked roof. The seventeen lines of the house object are used as axial centers of rotation. The house rotates around each axis passing through the original position each time and never pausing. With each rotation the brain object, at first hidden, is revealed and then concealed within the house.

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## **Exhibition History:**

An example of this work was exhibited for the first time in a solo exhibition at Galerie des Archives, Paris, France, February 24 – April 13, 1996.

Solo exhibition. Center for Contemporary Images, Saint-Gervais, Genève, Geneva, Switzerland, September 5 – October 11, 1998.

Solo exhibition. Barbara Gladstone Gallery, New York, New York, December 5, 1998 – January 23, 1999.

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Solo exhibition. Galleria Carla Sozzani, curated by Galleria Lia Rumma, Milan, Italy, November 18 – December 12, 1999.

"Gary Hill: Selected Works." Kunstmuseum Wolfsburg, Wolfsburg, Germany, November 10, 2001 – March 10, 2002. (Note: This work was not included in the travelling venue at Centro Cultural de Belém, Lisbon, Portugal, October 10, 2002 – January 12, 2003.)

"Aubes, rêveries au bord de Victor Hugo," Maison de Victor Hugo, Paris, France; October 10, 2002 – January 19, 2003. *Note: This work was exceptionally exhibited on a single wall-recessed monitor without the custom-made stand for this exhibition.* 

#### Notes: