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"Special Red" at 325 W. Broadway

By Victoria Calabro

Chashama at XOCO 325 by DDG
325 W Broadway, New York, NY

November 19, 2016 - December 2, 2016

New York, NY: chashama presents *Special Red*, an installation of mixed media at chashama's newest presentation venue at 325 W. Broadway. by sculptor, installation, and craft artist, **Victoria Calabro**. A magical setting of fuchsia sands, reinforced with visual and conceptual contrasts of materials, *Special Red* is an oasis of a surreal world of free associations. The exhibition opened to the public on Friday, November 12 and is on view until December 2. The opening reception is Saturday, November 19 from 6-8pm with a special press reception on Friday, December 2 from 6-8pm.

"In the magical setting of fuchsia sands, our imagination leads us in a journey on the land of cast sculpture where form and function fall into traps, revealing the frames of strangeness in which we search for mental refuge - an invitation to the crossroads of saturnalia of our dreams and the bitter sweetness of our memories," -

Baris Akgun

Victoria Calabro received an MFA in Fine Art from New York University in 2006. Categorized as a sculptor, installation artist, and craft artist, she often works within the traditional sculpture medium, while incorporating unusual art materials, such as fabric, string, carpet, and sand. Her work is also currently on display at [UrbanGlass](http://UrbanGlass.com) in Downtown Brooklyn. The majority of her early life was spent living in the Middle East, where she became interested in ideas of home, separation, and memory. Victoria was born in Houston, Texas she currently lives and works in Brooklyn, New York. For more information, visit www.vacalabro.com or contact vacalabrostudio@gmail.com.

chashama, which means "to have vision" in Farsi, partners with property owners to activate unused real estate for artists to develop, create and present. Currently, chashama manages over 125 artist studios, six galleries, five curated office lobbies, two performance venues, and provides affordable artist housing. A connector of art and real estate since 1995, chashama has placed more than 15,000 artists into over 60 locations around New York City, becoming the largest provider of affordable space for creative use.

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