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Station Stop (S-Bahn Ring, Ostkreuz) Maggie Stark, 2018. Video stills, digital print

"Save something from the time where we will never be again" Annie Ernaux

The **Rafius Fane Gallery** is pleased to announce the opening of **STATION STOPS**, a solo exhibition by Boston artist **Maggie Stark**

The paradox of time — that we perceive it as both continuous and transitory — is a recurring theme in Stark's multimedia work. Her current exhibition, an installation of projections, digital screens and sculptures, uses Boston's Mattapan Trolley and Berlin's Ringbahn as source material for her recent meditation on the nature of time. Stark often rides the Mattapan Trolley and walks in the Cedar Grove Cemetery, through which the Trolley also passes. Manipulating video footage, she had shot from within the cemetery as well as on the trolley, she created a series of video loops, layering the stationary presence of the train tracks and gravestones with the perpetual motion of the trolley. While in Berlin on a fellowship several years ago, she became fascinated with Berlin's Ringbahn that circles the city center in one-hour loops. Echoing a clock's movements for the duration of one complete rotation, Stark, during a recent trip, filmed out the window of the train, capturing the passengers' fleeting gestures against the fixed architecture of the stations. From these film clips, she created multiple repetitive video loops placed side by side on separate screens —each screen, so to speak, containing the tic of a clock or the swing of a pendulum.

Maggie Stark was born in Kansas City and lives in Boston MA. She has exhibited her work throughout the region, including the Hall Space, and Kayafas Galleries in Boston, Dartmouth College in Hanover NH and the Institute of Contemporary Art in Portland ME. She was an affiliate of the Boston Sculptors Gallery for nine years and has held residencies at the Corning Museum of Glass, the Millay Colony and the Vermont Studio Center. She was recently awarded a Cultural Fellowship from the Goethe Institute in Berlin and an Artist Residency Fellowship at the Haslla Art World Museum in South Korea.

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Cedar Grove (Mattapan Trolley) Maggie Stark, 20018 video still

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