

## MATIAS ARMENDARIS

Matias Armendaris (b. 1990) is an Ecuadorian artist living and working in Mexico City. He is a part of the collaborative artist duo ASMA. He holds an MFA in the Painting and Drawing Department from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. He graduated with a BFA in drawing and printmaking from Emily Carr University in 2015. He has exhibited in solo and group shows internationally in Canada, Mexico, Ecuador, Colombia, Peru, Slovenia, Argentina and The United States. His work uses sculpture, drawing, printmaking, writing and installation to explore the paradigm of belonging, hoping to generate an affective space for plural identity. His practice is concerned with finding a way to dynamize thing-human relationships with objects from a suggested past as a way to activate poetic readings of multiple possible futures. The objects echo artifacts of anthropology, archeology and geology as well as fantastical and magical relics.