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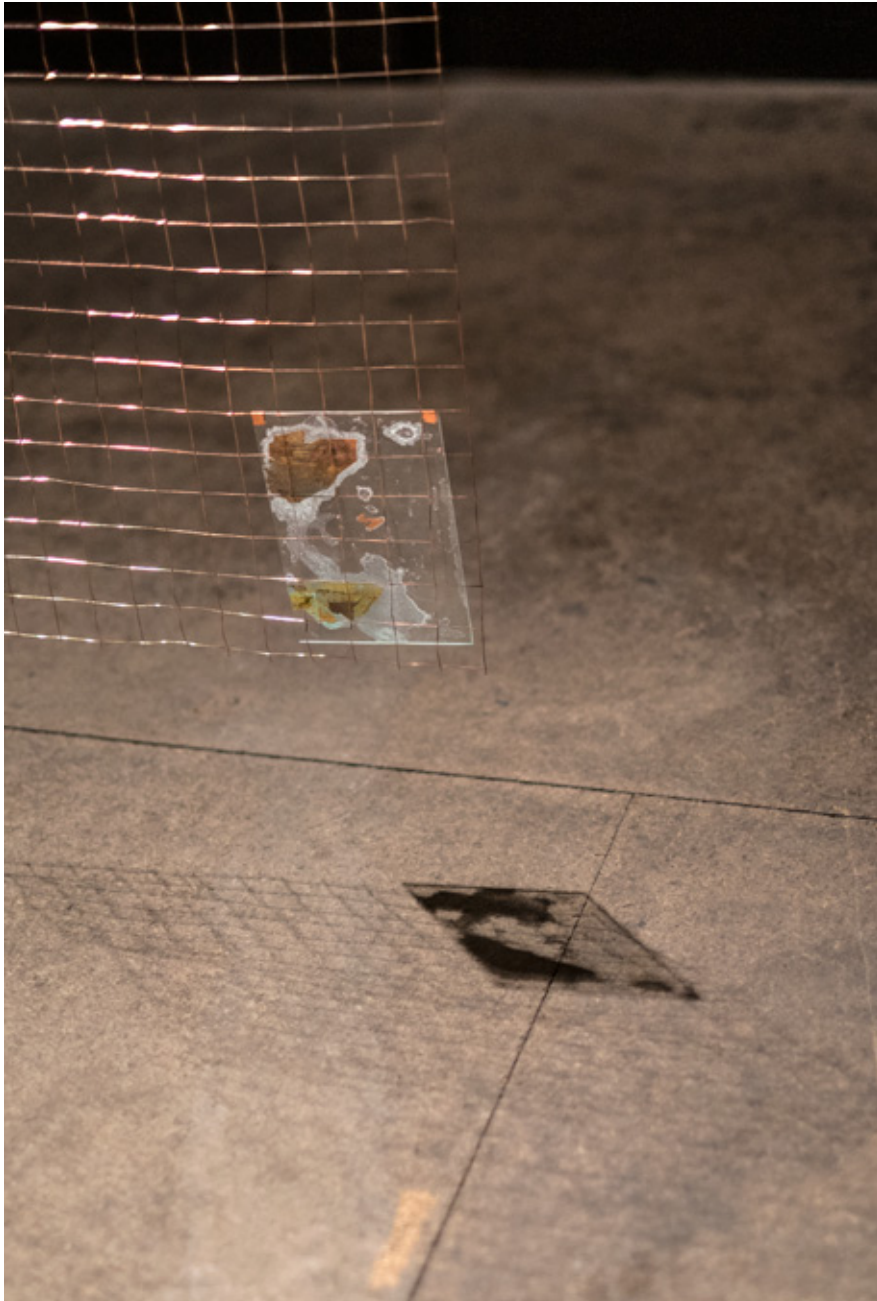


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Copper-plated net, glass, copper leaves, saltpeter

Installation

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*"The Earth spins before an uncontrolled radiant heater, the sun, whose output is by no means constant"*

James Lovelock

From the planetary to the translocal, we find ourselves in a constant flow of transmutation, which puts us in an unpredictable position inside a speculative zeitgeist, in which, as Suhail Malik proposes, the "present is built by the the future".

Provided a small flow of electricity, matter (saltpetre, copper and water) is out of control here, escaping prediction. *Unpredictable Atlas* suggests a new, uncontrollable territory by providing segments of it, honouring a classic Berliner "Altbau" space, which was built in the same time as when the rush of the Chilean saltpeter era occurred.