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Dennis Svoronos: Proof of Life July 22 – September 20, 2020

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Gallery Hours

July 22 – August 23: Friday, Saturday & Sunday 11-5pm August 26 – Sept. 20: Wednesday – Sunday, 11-5pm

Boston Sculptors Gallery presents Dennis Svoronos' solo exhibition *Proof of Life*, on view July 22 through September 20, 2020. Using the tools and vocabulary of a 21st century world steeped in information and technology, Svoronos examines the primal subjects of our bodies, our selves and our culture. Stitching together elements of humor and horror, data and drama, insights and instincts, *Proof of Life* reflects our complex contemporary relationship to ourselves.

Fascinated by our notion of self and identity as it has come to be defined by 'selfies', smartphones and live streams, many of Svoronos' sculptures challenge the veracity of the tools we use to construct these notions. Turning technology against itself, he creates feedback, distortion and misperception through strategic placement and position, suggesting our trust in these technologies might be ill placed.

Deriving inspiration from his own diagnosis of brain cancer, the body—with its inherent uniqueness and frailties—is a point of departure for much of Svoronos' work. His wearable sculptures monitor and analyze the artist's brainwaves to produce images, music and animations linked to his current state of mind. Other interactive work engages with the viewer's pulse, exposing its pace and rhythm through the strident striking of a large chime. Embracing the very essence of our bodies and our selves, Svoronos collects, preserves and displays samples of DNA from multiple Boston- based artists. The resulting sculpture represents a genealogical ark celebrating our creative culture into the future.

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Proof of Life runs concurrently with Jodi Colella's exhibition Faculty of Utterance.

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