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**ARTIST PAIGE TIGHE TRAVELS FROM EAST COAST CITY TO EAST COAST CITY WITH HAND HOLDING PERFORMANCE ART PROJECT “WALK WITH ME”, April 16-June 5**

Paige Tighe started a performance project in Los Angeles, called “Walk with Me.” She has successfully funded an East Coast tour of “Walk with Me” through Kickstarter. Starting in Boston from April 16-21, she will walk and hold hands with participants. The piece is documented through a photograph of holding the participants’ hands and written observations by Paige and the walker. Working with Alen Catolico and Double Dutch Press, in Athens, Georgia, Artists’ Books will be created. <http://doubledutchpress.com> <http://www.a-catolico.us/>

The Tour is tentatively scheduled for:

Boston, MA, April 16-21  
Gloucester, MA April 22-24  
Providence, RI April 25  
NYC April 26-31  
Pittsburgh May 1-4  
Washington DC May 5-8

Durham, NC May 9  
Asheville, NC May 10-13  
Greenfield, SC May 14-15  
Athens, GA May 16-June 5

The premise of the project is based on my dissatisfaction with American culture and the level of everyday touch that we have with one another. Quoting my Kickstarter page, “I was lying down and warm water was being sprayed all over my body. I am a single woman living in America. A place where people don't hug hello all the time, or hardly ever kiss each other on the cheek, and don't think about grabbing someone's hand and walking down the street unless you are also sleeping with them. As this woman massaged my hand, all I wanted to do was hold her hand. Not out of romantic desire but a desire for connection. So I decided right then and there, I was going to hold hands with as many people as I could. Since then I have QUIT my job and am putting all my belongings in storage, and I am hitting the road.”

Paige is still looking for walking partners in all locations. She will be continuing this project in Pittsburgh, PA working with Edith Abeyta, Minneapolis, MN, and Fox Egg Gallery, and Half Moon Bay, California. She will be the inaugural artist in residence of the Half Moon Bay Residency this September.