outrageous drag- Film Premiere!

May 14, 2003 7:30pm-9:00pm PFA Theater: 2575 Bancroft Way @ Bowditch

Contact: laura deutch Sponsor: pacific film archive Cost: \$4 ucb students

Pacific Film Archive launches I FOUND IT AT THE MOVIES: Video Artists Look at Cinema

with the West Coast premiere of Brice Dellsperger's outrageous drag appropriation BODY DOUBLE X

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French artist Brice Dellsperger restages feature films to explore drag as the masquerade of everyday life. Dellsperger's outrageous acts of restaging are themselves acts of drag. He slips not so neatly inside pre-existing narratives, brazenly discarding the picture track, then leading his actors through a grand Milli Vanilli lip-sync session over his newly formed images. Dellsperger's dizzily ambitious undertaking BODY DOUBLE X reclaims a 1975 French romance, then starring Romy Schneider as an aging porn star. Schneider as well as every other character is replaced by the singular Jean-Luc Verna, a performance artist of slippery gender, who is keyed into the scene, sometimes six or seven times. A cacophony of clones builds as Jean-Luc turns each bent role into a raunchy aspect of narcissistic splendor. BODY DOUBLE X is a fever dream of cross-dressing in someone else's closet. Not to be missed!