

Matthew Weisberg
Sound Sculpture
Spring 2020

The Dufuses
Backyard Gallery

The Dufuses are a collection of creatures created by Matthew Weisberg and Annie Horner as the first artist-in-residence at *Backyard Gallery*, North Babylon's first and only contemporary art gallery. Through them I explore the potential for a fixed sound to communicate the inner personalities of these four-dimensional cartoons. I call them Onomatopeople. *The Dufuses* are family portraiture, caricature. Each member of the ensemble plays a member of the household I have quarantined with. On Sunday, May 10, we presented them as *Backyard Gallery's* inaugural opening. We served wine and snacks like a gallery might. We talked about their construction, their strengths and weaknesses, the ways in which they work together and the ways in which they stand alone. I felt like a kid, showing my parents the things I made in art class. It was good.



Chime-o
Plywood, string, mounting hardware
Video: [Chime-o](#)



Mary Lou
Motion lamp housing, conduit, string, hair clip
Video: [Marry Lou](#)



Bay Spirit
Plywood, baywood, rope, ratchets, reed, sanding paper
Video: [Bay Spirit](#)



Boo Bob
Plywood, nautical rope
Video: [Boo Bob](#)







Lazy Boy
Chair, LED strip, lanterns, cement, electrical wire

Documentation of *Backyard Gallery*



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Dog



Sarah and
Chime-o