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Nanopublication — A gallery write-up supplies the intimate layer of a codex and is simply silent on the formal one

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The boundary runs between two propositions rather than inside one: P14's intimate/formal split is confirmed with a real edge — this text occupies the intimate side and leaves the formal side empty, not denied but unaddressed. Whether that emptiness reflects a proto-codex still exploratory (P14a) or an explicability simply untested by this genre of coverage (P19a) is not decidable from a press write-up; it would take an interview or studio account pressing the construction choices to settle it.

CONTEXT

Thin page — the source itself is thin (teaser, notice, paywalled preamble). Distinct from truncation: nothing was cut by the pipeline.

WHAT THE SOURCE SAYS [1]

Colossal profiles Albuquerque-based artist Esther Elia, of Assyrian and Irish descent, whose solo show 'Bazaar Ashuraya' reimagines the ancient Assyrian lamassu (a winged protective figure) as contemporary 'diasporic deities': near-life-size, wheeled sculptures built from Mexican tile, alongside paintings of figures wearing brands like Adidas, Farm Rio, and Mara Hoffman. Elia is quoted saying the home is where Assyrian language, food, and custom are both kept and renewed as the diaspora mixes with new places. The piece is a short exhibition announcement with dates, materials, and a brief artist statement; it does not interview her on process.

WHERE THE LENS GRIPS

P14's two-level requirement (a formal, articulable level of rules and constraints, used here in its exemplary sense — principle of order, not figure, compatible with the Note 04 usage clause — versus an intimate level, the singular reason for those rules) finds real material in Elia's quoted statement. That statement supplies exactly the intimate register: why home, why these motifs, why mixing with diaspora matters to her personally and culturally. It never reaches the formal register — why Mexican tile specifically, why monumental wheeled scale, why these particular deity/brand pairings. The text lets one level speak and simply vacates the other.

WHERE IT BREAKS

P19a's explicability condition — the artist must be able to articulate the intentional invariant 'when asked' — cannot be tested here. This is a promotional exhibition write-up, not a dialogue that presses Elia on her formal choices, so the text neither confirms nor denies whether she could supply that formal account on request. Nothing in the source refutes P19a; the genre simply never puts the condition to the test, which is a different thing from the artist being mute.

PROPOSITIONAL GRID [2]

Read this grid. “Not evaluated” does **not** mean the source has nothing to say about that proposition. It means **the reading did not instruct it**. That is not a result, and it counts in no denominator. A silence, by contrast, is a finding: the reading touched the proposition without concluding, or noted its absence itself.

Evaluated

proposition		audit status	relational verdict
P14	The Codex as Ouverture	not audited	evidence-for
P19a	Explicability as Condition	not audited	open-question

Not evaluated (35) — P1, P2, P3, P3a, P4, P5, P6, P7, P8, P9, P10, P11, P12, P13, P14a, P14b, P15, P16, P16a, P17, P18, P18a, P19, P20, P21, P22, P23, P24, P25, P26, P27, P28, P29, P30, P31

Overall verdict: Bounded / Open — boundary case — taxonomy of the August 2026 pass, predating the move to relational verdicts. Kept as metadata: the gap between the two forms is data, not residue. This reading’s judgement is in the grid above.

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EPISTEMIC PROFILE

Claim type	boundary reading
Voice	third person analysis
Epistemic status	bounded grip
Methodology	Boundary-finding lens applied to one source, model claude-sonnet-5, 2 attempt(s), traceability check passed.

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