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What makes an image funny? In this film, artist Mariah Robertson works with Bill Ferro—a male nude model she met online—taking pictures of him in her Greenpoint studio, and later, rehearsing a Martha Graham-inspired dance routine in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. Robertson's point of view is revealed through a series of jokes that highlight not only the artist's wry sense of humor, but also suggest a critical engagement with gender dynamics, sexual politics, and double-standards within art history. Reacting to

the pervasiveness of "purposeful nudes"—from paintings of odalisques to contemporary pornography—Robertson's images of naked men occupy "a confusing middle zone" that mingles self-reflexivity with visual whimsy.