



Press Release

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SD Art Prize 2011 and New Contemporaries V: San Diego Emerging Artists

The 2011 SD Art Prize recipients Ruben Ortiz-Torres with emerging artist Tristan Shone and Jay Johnson with emerging artist Adam Belt are showing at the Athenaeum Music & Arts Library in La Jolla with a reception on March 30, 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM. The show continues until May 5, 2012 The SD Art Prize 2012 Award Recipients will be announced during the reception. Click here to see the first five years of the SD Art Prize Catalog.

We are also delighted to announce the fifth year of the **New Contemporaries** exhibition to be held at <u>Susan Street Fine Art Gallery</u> June 2 to July 3, 2012 with a reception Thursday June 7th, 2012 from 6 pm - 9 pm in Solana Beach. Click here to see the NCV catalog with images.

Shawnee Barton nominated by Erika Torri, Athenaeum Music & Arts Library

Lauren Carerra nominated by Patricia Frischer, San Diego Visual Arts Network

Noah Doely nominated by Leah Ollman, Art Critic

Rob Duarte nominated by Tristan Shone, artist

Alexander Jarman nominated by Amy Galpin, Curator, SD Museum of Art

Anna Chiaretta Lavatelli, nominated by Natalie Haddad, art writer

Lee Lavy nominated by Ann Berchtold, Art San Diego Contemporary Art Fair

Ingram Ober nominated by **Adam Belt**, artist

Vincent Robles nominated by Susan Street, Susan Street Fine Art Gallery

<u>Deanne Sabeck</u>, nominated by <u>Debra Poteet</u>, Collector, <u>SD Art Prize</u> committee

<u>David Leon Smith</u> nominated by Sally Yard, Professor Art History <u>University of California, San Diego</u>

Brian Zimmerman nominated by **Rubén Ortiz-Torres**, artist

The 2012 nominating committee, which changes yearly, consists of SD Art Prize recipients for the previous year, writers for the SD Art Prize Art Notes, Honorary Hosts and the SD Art Prize committee: ALL emerging artists in the SD region are eligible to be chosen by the established recipients each season including but not limited to nominated artists in this and previous New Contemporaries exhibitions.

The <u>SD ART PRIZE</u> is dedicated to the idea that the visual arts are a necessary and rewarding ingredient of any world-class city and a building block of the lifestyle of its residents. Conceived to promote and encourage dialogue, reflection and social interaction about San Diego's artistic and cultural life, this annual award honors artistic expression. The **SD ART PRIZE**, a cash prize with exhibition opportunities, spotlights established San Diego artists and emerging artists whose outstanding achievements in the field of Visual Arts merit the recognition.

SD Art Prize at Athenaeum Music & Arts Library March 31- May 5, 2012

Reception on March 30, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Ruben Ortiz-Torres with emerging artist Tristan Shone

Jay Johnson with emerging artist Adam Belt

1008 Wall St. La Jolla, 92037

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New Contemporaries V at Susan Street Fine Art Gallery; June 2 to July 3, 2012

Thursday June 7 th, 2012 from 6pm-9pm

200 North Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, CA 92075







Monday - Friday 11am to 5pm, Saturday 12pm to 4pm Plus by Appointment More info: Melissa Stager 858.793.4442 or Patricia Frischer 760.943.0148

San Diego Art Prize 2012 at Art San Diego Contemporary Art Fair: September 6-9, 2012

Balboa Park Activity Center - 2145 Park Boulevard, San Diego 92101 Hours: Fri and Sat, Sept 7/8 from noon to 8 pm, Sun, Sept 9 from 11 to 5 More info: Patricia Frischer 760.943.0148 Ann Berchtold 858.254.3031

Emerging artist definition: artist who are emerging with new, fresh ideas. This is not about the age of the artists or the exposure they have had, but what art they are creating now and in the past three to five years.

Images available below and by request. Please look at the catalog links in this email.

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Left: **Jay Johnson**, *Monkee with Hat*, 2002, Poodle and felt hat, 32" x 37" x 10" x 51lbs. Right: **Adam Belt**, *Hubble Ultra Deep Field*, 2011,oil on canvas, 47.5 x 47.5"















Left: **Rubén Ortiz-Torres** *Jungle Fever*, 2010, heat sensitive painting and urethane over composite with a foam core structure, 17" x 72" x 24" Right: **Tristan Shone** in concert

