



Press Release:

New Contemporaries IV: San Diego Emerging Artists

New Contemporaries at [Alexander Salazar Fine Art](#)

Opening Reception: Monday, August 1, 2011 from 6 – 9 pm

[Alexander Salazar Fine Art](#), 1040 7th Avenue Broadway, San Diego, CA 92101

Exhibition hours: Tue - Sat 11 - 6, Saturday and Sunday by appointment

For more info: [Patricia Frischer](#) 760.943.0148 [Alexander Salazar](#) 619.531.8669

We are delighted to invite you to the fourth year of the New Contemporaries exhibition to be held at [Alexander Salazar Fine Art](#) in downtown San Diego from August 1 – 31, 2011. Please see all images in the [Catalog IV](#)

[Mely Barragan](#) nominated by [Einar and Jamex de la Torre](#), artists

[Adam Belt](#) nominated by Karen McGuire, William D. Cannon Art Gallery Director

[Susannah Bielak](#) nominated by [Ann Berchtold](#), Art San Diego Fair Director

[Fred Briscoe](#) nominated by Alexander Salazar, [Alexander Salazar Fine Art](#) Director

[Isaias Crow](#) nominated by [Alessandra Moctezuma](#), SD Mesa College Art Gallery Director

[Shay Davis](#) nominated by [Debra Poteet](#), art collector

[Damian Gastellum](#) nominated by [Julio Orozco](#), artist

[Gretchen Mercedes](#) nominated by [Lauren Buscemi](#), art writer

[Han Nguyen](#) nominated by [Robert Pincus](#), art critic

[Jaime Ruiz Otis](#) nominated by [Heriberto Yopez](#), art writer

[Lee Puffer](#) nominated by [Gail Roberts](#), artist

[Chris Puzio](#) nominated by [David Adey](#), artist

[Cheryl Sorg](#) nominated by [Patricia Frischer](#), San Diego Visual Arts Network coordinator

[San Diego Visual Arts Network](#) also invites you to view work by two established artists awarded the 2011 [San Diego Art Prize](#) in its fifth year, who have now made their choices of emerging artists to exhibit with and mentor. [Jay S. Johnson](#) has chosen [Adam Belt](#). [Rubén Ortiz-Torres](#) has chosen [Tristan Shone](#). All four will exhibit in booth #11 and #12 at [Art San Diego Contemporary Art Fair](#) September 1 - 4, 2011 at the [Hilton San Diego Bayfront, Hotel](#).

The 2011 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.

San Diego Art Prize 2011 at [Art San Diego Contemporary Art Fair](#) : September 1 - 4, 2011

[Hilton San Diego Bayfront, Hotel](#), 1 Park Boulevard, 92101

Hours: Fri and Sat, Feb 3/4 from noon to 8 pm, Sun, Feb 5 from 11 to 5

More info: [Patricia Frischer](#) 760.943.0148 [Ann Berchtold](#) 858.254.3031

The **SD ART PRIZE** 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.

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.



[www.SDVisualArts.net](#) 760.943.0148 [info@SDVisualArts.net](#)
2487 Montgomery Avenue, Cardiff by the Sea, CA 92007