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Mark Bryce Exhibition

“A Candle Dimly Lit”

By Appointment through January 31, 2016
SCHOOS NIGHT GALLERY
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Schoos Night Gallery is pleased to present “A Candle Dimly Lit,” the gallery’s first solo show with California-based painter Mark Bryce. Schoos Night is a new gallery created by noted artist and designer Thomas Schoos adjacent to his studio in West Hollywood. “A Candle Dimly Lit” is the second exhibition to appear at the gallery, with a full slate



of openings and exhibitions planned for 2016. Schoos’ vision for the space is to foster an atmosphere where paintings, sculpture and design interact to create an immersive experience. Exhibitions at Schoos Night will be collaborative efforts between artist and gallery, featuring multi-textural installations and design elements that are inspired by and support the artist’s work. Patrons are invited to linger and contemplate the art and its bespoke environment, as well as the permanent art collection in the adjacent studio and botanical gardens.

The paintings in this exhibition by Mark Bryce explore the psychosocial, cultural, and political dynamics in America society – as well as the notion of painting itself. Continuing what has become a notable series of work, Bryce has developed a unique and rich visual vocabulary, which skillfully investigates contemporary ideas and ideologies within the larger narrative of American painting. Issues of contemporary culture and human experience are presented with technical virtuosity, rife with quirky references, humor and symbolism. Although Bryce’s work conveys a clear respect for the formal traditions of American painting, his images are not bound to a particular genre, age or philosophy, but rather develop his narrative with a cleverness and wit that engage the viewer in his distinctive artistic language.

An avid collector, Bryce accumulates source material that consists of photographs culled from magazines or newspapers; art historical influences absorbed and reassembled; and carefully selected objects, ranging from pieces of sublime significance to those of the everyday -- an Uncle Sam hat, children’s antique wooden blocks, and target practice silhouettes. This material is the basis of Bryce’s artistic process.



Bryce (b. 1953, San Francisco, California) studied at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Art, and has been painting and exhibiting for the past four decades. He has been featured in solo exhibitions in San Francisco, New York, Santa Monica, Wilmington (DE) and Philadelphia, as well as numerous national group shows, including a recent exhibition at Northern Arizona University Art Museum, Flagstaff (AZ). His work is included in the public collections of the Crocker Museum of Art (Sacramento, CA), the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco (CA), and The Free Library of Philadelphia (PA), among others. The artist lives and works in Southern California. For more information and to see more images from the exhibition, please visit www.schoosnightgallery.com/exhibitions.



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