

DAVID B SMITH GALLERY

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Lynne Naylor & Chris Reccardi

'Nature/Nurture'

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Opening Reception: Thursday, April 30th from 6 – 8pm

Free and open to the public – Artists in Attendance

David B. Smith Gallery Announces Opening of May Exhibition

The David B. Smith Gallery is proud to announce its next exhibition of the 2009 Season. Please join us in welcoming Lynne Naylor and Chris Reccardi, two very talented, award-winning artists who are well-known in the TV and film animation world. Lynne and Chris will be joining us in the Gallery on Thursday evening, April 30th from 6 – 8pm, for the Opening of their show 'Nature/Nurture'.

You will recognize their work when you see it. Lynne Naylor has been the designer, animator, director and producer of numerous, successful, animated TV and film projects. She is the co-creator of the cult hit *The Ren & Stimpy Show*, and the key character designer for such shows as *Batman: The Animated Series*, *Powerpuff Girls*, *Samurai Jack*, *Clone Wars: The Micro-Series* and *Foster's Home for Imaginary Friends*. Lynne has also done design work on features currently in development for DreamWorks and Sony Pictures Animation, and is currently serving as Art Director for the Cartoon Network's new animated show "*Chowder*."

Chris has also created his art based on his very successful career in TV, film animation and music. He has been an animator, designer, story artist, director and musician for such well known cartoons as *The Ren & Stimpy Show*, *Samurai Jack*, *Powerpuff Girls* and many others. He has worked with DreamWorks, Sony Pictures Animation and Film Roman, and is currently creating two new original animated pilots for the Cartoon Network. Chris has also composed and performed the music for original TV pilots, as well as the title theme song and background music for *The Ren & Stimpy Show*.

Both Chris and Lynne have won Rueben Awards from the National Cartoonists Society, and have received Annie Awards – the highest honor given for excellence in animation. They have exhibited successfully in shows around the U.S. and Australia.

Both artists have created distinctive characters who relate to reality and yet exist in their own special worlds. The vivid colors of Lynne's pieces set off her girl characters in unique and appealing ways, giving them a life and reality that sparkles. Chris uses a variety of palettes for his characters, often depicted with musical instruments, combining a sense of the commonality in the lyricism of music and art. Their work is appealing, attractive and fun. Come join us for an exhibition that combines insight and perspective with a smile.

About David B. Smith Gallery

David B. Smith Gallery is the emerging contemporary art gallery in Denver, Colorado. Its objective is to achieve international recognition for its represented artists and build partnerships with its expanding circle of collectors. The Gallery seeks to provide opportunities for artists to develop in a progressive and supportive environment, raise awareness of the incredible art and culture scene that Denver has to offer, and establish successful relationships with local and regional curators, museums, and non-profit organizations.

Formerly known as Limited Addiction Gallery, the change in Gallery name signals a strengthening of the direction and focus of the Gallery program, with the relationship between artist and collector at its core. The Limited Addiction name has played an integral role in the Gallery's history from its founding in 2007, and came originally from the interests of the international online community of art collectors and enthusiasts. Limited Addiction will remain as the publishing division of the Gallery, featuring limited edition artist prints and monographs.

Through David B. Smith Gallery, David Smith continues his vision of creating relevant dialogue and art accessibility for new and seasoned collectors. Curating exhibitions with an intelligent and often challenging aesthetic, and bringing a range of contemporary art to the Denver art scene, David Smith has cultivated a strong regional, national, and international collector audience.

The Gallery is committed to developing opportunities and platforms for represented artists to grow their body of works and increase their visibility. To broaden international exposure, the Gallery has participated in art fairs since its inception, including satellite fairs in Miami during Art Basel Miami Beach and during Armory week in New York. This participation will continue in March, 2009 at the SCOPE New York Art Fair. The Gallery has received extensive media coverage including The New York Times, The Denver Post, Juxtapoz Magazine and Complex Magazine. In August, 2008, The New York Times hailed the Gallery as offering "an exciting contrast of cutting edge works."

The David B. Smith Gallery is among the leaders on the contemporary art scene who respect and value the relationship which develops between talented artists and knowledgeable and committed collectors. Come join us in furthering the creative dialogue.