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DRIFTER

Curated by David Rhodes

With Nicole Cherubini, Martha Clippinger, Joe Fyfe, Mary Heilmann,
Dennis Hollingsworth, Cordy Ryman and Arlene Shechet

DECEMBER 13, 2013 – JANUARY 11, 2014

Opening reception: Friday, December 13, 6:00-8:00 PM



Martha Clippinger, *Wonder Wheel* (2012),
acrylic and leather on wood, 8x1x1 in.

New York, NY (November 25, 2013) - Hionas Gallery is pleased to present **Drifter**, a group exhibition curated by artist & writer David Rhodes, comprised of new and recent mixed media works by Nicole Cherubini, Martha Clippinger, Joe Fyfe, Mary Heilmann, Dennis Hollingsworth, Cordy Ryman and Arlene Shechet. The show will run from December 13, 2013 to January 11, 2014.

Drifting between painting and sculpture, art and architecture, plasticity and materiality, this impressive artist roster works with everything from acrylic and oil to ceramics, leather, fur, metals and wood, and they do so without exclusive preference for any particular medium. In both appearance and execution, each piece goes beyond a prescribed category; a hybridization occurs that doesn't actively defy categorization so much as embrace what can

be achieved when painting and sculpture complement each other in unexpected ways within the same form. Historical precedents can be found in Picasso's *Glass of Absinthe* (1914) and Oppenheim's *My Nurse* (1936), as well as the works of Moira Dryer from the 1980s.

"The migration of shape, form, color and material from one long established category to another, whether stopping just short of or completing the journey is a feature of new painting and sculpture. Territory is informally taken or exchanged in all the artists' work that comprises this exhibition. Vernacular materials often combine with fugitive color, the works here are happy in their homelessness and independent in a newfound openness that avails itself of historical tropes as much as the haptic fun of the present tense. Fictive illusionism and the real of the everyday have no need to be strangers in these works." – Curator David Rhodes

The opening reception for *Drifter* will take place on Friday evening, December 13 from 6-8 PM.

Hionas Gallery was founded in the spring of 2011, opening its initial exhibition space at 89 Franklin Street in TriBeCa. In January 2013 the gallery moved to 124 Forsyth Street in the Lower East Side. The gallery's mission is to invite contemporary and emerging artists, working in all variety of media, to participate in monthly solo exhibitions to showcase their latest work and artistic vision. Past invited exhibitors have included Marina Adams, Siri Berg, Karlos Cárcamo, Ariane Lopez-Huici, Charles Lutz, David Rhodes, Rebecca Smith and Jessica Stoller, to name a few. For more info visit www.hionasgallery.com

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