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Art Star Presents:



Occupational Hazards by Ryan Myers April 26th – June 1st, 2008 Opening Reception & Grand Re-Opening: Saturday, April 26th, 5-9pm

Art Star is pleased to present *Occupational Hazards*, a solo exhibition by Ryan Myers. The show will be on display from April 26th – June 1st, 2008. An opening reception w/ the artist will be held on Saturday, April 26th, from 5-9pm. The exhibition will coincide w/ the debut of Art Star's new location, which is located on 2nd btwn Spring Garden & Fairmount. The new space is 3x the size of their 1030 N 2nd St. space & will be able to accommodate even more work. There will be live music by Emily Bate from 5:30-7pm & Falkonr from 7-9pm. The event is free & open to the public.

Ryan Myers, 29, received his BFA in illustration from Hartford Art School in 2000. His paintings and custom vinyl toys have been exhibited all across the US. His current body of work reflects an interruptive view into a sullen, mannequinesque world where sadness is masked in pinks, greens and blues. He lives and works in Hudson Valley, New York with his family, dog and a spiteful lovebird.

In *Occupational Hazards*, the artist points his paint-laden brush towards the work place. Hunters, gatherers, veterinarians and more, no one is safe from the inevitable. His familiar cast of boys and girls explore the woes of labor in a place where the shadows are just as long as the faces.

Art Star is a gallery & boutique located in Northern Liberties, Philadelphia. We exhibit and sell handmade work & limited edition products by emerging artists across the globe. Hailed by Philadelphia Magazine as the "the cities first cutting-edge craft shop", we strive to carry work that is innovative & superbly crafted. We have also created & continue to support a growing network of burgeoning artists. Our exhibitions rotate every 6 weeks and our boutique offers shoppers everything from handmade clothes, jewelry and accessories to dolls, ceramics & prints.

**Images available upon request