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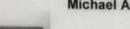
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No. 51, 1997 Wood, dirt, glue, HO-scale models. envirotex Courtesy of the artist and Andrea Rosen Gallery, NY

### Michael Ashkin

Michael Ashkin was born in Morristown, NY in 1955 and came to New York City in 1994. Solo exhibitions have been organized at Andrea Rosen Gallery, NY (2000 and 1998) and at Emily Tsingou Gallery in London (1999). His work has been featured at the Whitney Biennial (1997) and in group exhibitions at the Museum of Contemporary Art in San Diego, CA (2000), at Der Kunstverein in Dusseldorf, Germany (1999), and at the Saatchi Gallery in London (1998).

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Bonsai 21, 2000 Hardshell suitcase, wood, aluminum, mixed media Courtesy the artist

### **Toland Grinnell**

Toland Grinnell was born in Brooklyn, NY in 1969. His work is on permanent display at the Venetian Hotel Resort and Casino in Las Vegas, the Playboy Mansion in Beverley Hills, CA, at His Royal Highness The Sultans Dining Hall, North-Tanizar Palace, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei, and in a Chase Bank's deposit box number 1462. His work was also included in the Gramercy Park Hotel Art Fair.

You may contact the artist at grinnell greaterny@hotmail.com

"This work is an aesthetic turn on the typical complex sense of layering (both narrative and literal) and mechanized folding (both literal and philosophical) found in my work. Its structure was derived from mediating upon the 'digital architecture' of *Windows* and a recent excursion to a distant land."

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Walkabout Figment, 1996 Silver gelatin print Courtesy the artist

## **Sharon Harper**

Sharon Harper was born in Stamford, CT in 1966 and moved to NY in 1994. Her work has been included in group exhibitions at The Center for Curatorial Studies, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson (2000), at White Columns Gallery, NY (1997), at Hunter College Art Gallery, NY (1997), and at the New York Area MFA Exhibition, NY (1997).

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"As an aboriginal travels songlines on a walkabout, each contour of land evokes the words he sings. His ancestors designated a specific word for each step he takes. Because there are no words embedded within unfamiliar terrain, the song cannot be sung if he should become separated from the land his ancestors traveled and sang. Such is the connection between land and individual history one evokes and brings to life the other.

The photographs in Walkabout explore the relationship between the landscape and a Traveler. Walkabout melds a journey's physical environment with its psychological function, photographically depicting the inner machinations of a journey."

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Exploding Car, 2000 C-print Courtesy of the artist

## **Timothy Hutchings**

Timothy Hutchings was born in St. Louis in 1974 and moved to New York in 1998. Solo exhibitions have been organized at The National Museum of Transport, St. Louis, Missouri (2000), and at Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan (2000). His work has been included in group exhibitions at Dechiara Stewart Gallery (1999), at P.S.1's "Some Young New Yorkers, Part 2"(1998) and at Galerie Krinzinger, Vienna, Austria (1998)

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"The image of the exploding car is representative of a series of video images captured from mainstream films. each image is the first frame of an explosion, this is an awkward moment in a film because the framing is set up to contain the explosion itself more than the object that is exploding, thus the trope of the film creates a brief instant of awkwardness in the positioning of the objects and the framing of the camera.

in this photograph the actual explosion itself has yet to develop into the cloud of fire and smoke which is properly called an 'explosion,' an explosion which would grow to fill and command the entire frame. It is small and strange, the light glowing from the windows of the car looks almost alien or mystical in origin. explosions in the dirt (not in the submitted slide) are little plumes that look like thin bushes. revealed is an impossible instant of transformation when the transforming force itself is unfurling, and thus the photographs produced are doubly strange in that they are often empty, waiting for something (an explosion) which will never fully develop across the pictorial plane."

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Clay Balls, 1999
Oil, joint-com, sheetrock
Courtesy of the artist
(image of work in the
show not yet available)

## Sermin Kardestunder

Sermin Kardestunder was born in Gemlik, Turkey in 1957 and moved to New York in 1980. Solo exhibitions include Pierogi 2000 in Brooklyn and Cavin Morris Gallery, NY (both in 1999) and group shows at P.S.122 (1999), Pierogi 2000 (1999), the New Museum of Contemporary Art (1998) and Art in General (1998).

"Since 1992, I've stitched such materials as linen, paper, concrete, metal, wood, and sheet rock. My work is labor intensive, task-oriented and repetitive. P.S.1 curators asked me to stitch part of a floor. Instead, I chose to stitch the entire area of the smallest exhibition room as a site-specific installation. This will be the largest work I have made to date.

The work consists of twelve painted and stitched 4'  $\times$  4'  $\times$  "plywood boards. When installed, the plywood will be tailor fit to the existing floor of room S302. Visitors will be able to walk freely across the room."

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Hobbie, 1997 Sculpy, appliances, furniture, etc. Courtesy Andrew Kreps, NY

### Lawrence Seward

Lawrence Seward has held one-man exhibitions at Richard Heller Gallery, CA (1999) and at Andrew Kreps Gallery, NY (1998). His work has been featured in group shows at Andrew Kreps Gallery, NY (2000), Pacific Northwest College of Art in Portland, OR (1999), Exit Art, NY (1999), Museuo del Chopo in Mexico City (1998) and at P.S.1's Some Young New Yorkers (1998).

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Untitled, 1999
Gouache on paper
Courtesy of Brent
Sikkema (image of work
in the show not yet
available)

## **Amy Sillman**

Amy Sillman was born in Detroit, MI in 1955 and moved to New York in 1975. Solo exhibitions have been organized at Brent Sikkema Gallery, NY (2000) and at Casey Kaplan Gallery, NY (1998). Her work has been included in group exhibitions at Susquehanna Art Museum, Harrisburg, PA (1999), at The Cincinnati Center for Contemporary Art (1999), at The Aldrich Museum, Ridgefield, CT (1998), and at Team ShaG, NY (1998).

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Untitled, 1999 Oil and marker on paper Courtesy Andrew Kreps Gallery, NY

## **Ruth Root**

Ruth Root was born in Chicago, IL, in 1967 and came to New York in 1993. Solo exhibitions have been organized at the Nylon Gallery, London, England (2000) and the Andrew Kreps Gallery, New York (1999). Her work has been featured in group shows at Greene Naftali Gallery, New York (1999), Gavin Brown Gallery, New York (1998), Andrew Kreps Gallery, New York (1998) and the New Museum Benefit Auction, New York (1998).

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White clouds suspended in an infinite depth of azure sky, mirror dreams in the shallow lake bed set amid a barren gray landscape of shale and slate. Virgin territory opens to a theatre of ceaseless narratives. Signs of habitation dot the cinematic landscape insignificant before the expanse of blue and gray. The story is all too common, the assurance of infinite expansion, uninhibited progress — modernism.

Far to the Canadian North, Resolute Bay and its silent inhabitants evoke a familiar vision. Punctuated by the affects of utopian speculation, Le Corbusian prefabs -- practical, efficient -- reveal genuine desire. The promise of inclusion made manifest in sheet rock and cement. Only television and the internet break the isolation, delimiting the region from the non-site just beyond. The satellite dish brings culture to societies margins CNN, the "X-files", "Who wants to be a millionaire?" present the world, define enemies, offer solutions to daily existence. Dictating urbanization they are the standard by which reality is measured, the standard by which it is created.

Here, amenities establish place and place, identity. In the semi-inhabited regions that lie between and beyond major urban centers, the specter of modernism once again takes center stage. Bleak, infertile, identity cannot develop in seclusion. It must render itself useful to a greater social aggregate. True survival is found in the rejection of the inherited pursuit of self-sufficiency. It is not until consumption affirms potential, creates an economic site, that a community fully comes into being. Outside of this, nothing is defined. Against the backdrop of globalization, marginalization itself implies incorporation. Existence through conformity, privileges the repeated adoption of second hand utopias.

In its endless replication, the modernist vision turns dystopic. The marginalized are force to act out the melodrama of modernist expansion. Always, it is the periphery, the very edge of urbanization, those regions where density gives way to desolation, that betray the illusion. The end of civilization or perhaps only the end of our modernist hope, we wake to the nightmare of failed ambitions, of inequality, of comforts denied.

Then there are those skies, blue and limitless above an unblemished landscape. Extending far beyond quotidian discontents. They seduce with the promise of new utopias, of a reality made to order, of infinite consumption.

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GIFT/GIFT, 1998 Video Courtesy Debs & Co. Gallery, NY.

### Nina Katchadourian

Nina Katchadourian was born in Stanford, CA in 1968 and moved to New York in 1995. Solo exhibitions have been organized at Debs & Co. Gallery, NY (1999), The Atheneum in La Jolla, CA (1996). Her work has been featured in group exhibitions at Catharine Clark Gallery in San Francisco (1999), at Bard College, NY (1999), at Steffany Martz Gallery, NY (1997) and at Artists' Space, NY (1997).

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"The "Mended Spider-webs" series came about during a six-week period of summer '98 spent on an island in the Finnish archipelago. Broken spider-webs were mended using tweezers and red sewing thread, and the resulting webs with thread patches were then photographed. The spider would always reject the patch and re-mend the web according to its own methods. The 10-minute video "GIFT/GIFT" (in Swedish, the primary language spoken on this island, the word "gift" means "poison") takes advantage of a particularly aggressive spider who battles the tweezers for control of the web. The tweezers manage, with great difficulty and damage to the web, to insert small thread letters spelling out the word "GIFT." The spider picks out the letters in order and makes a few small repairs before settling back in."

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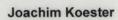
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Row Housing, 1999 C-print Courtesy Greene Naftali Gallery, NY

Joachim Koester was born in Copenhagen, Denmark in 1962. Solo shows include: Greene Neftali Gallery, NY (2000) and AstrupFearnley Museet in Oslo (1999). His work has been featured in groups shows at the Moderna Museet in Stockholm, Sweden (2000), at White Columns, NY (1998), at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Helsinki, Finland (1998) and at Documenta X in Kassel (1997).

"The small settlement of Resolute Bay is a similar site of hubris and in the work Row Housing, 1999, Koester has presented an almost straight documentation in black and white and color of the locality. The most northerly town in Canada, it perches on a barren landscape. Special amenities have been constructed there for the largely Inuit population, but the photographs make it clear that the usual rules of urbanization just do not apply. Swedish architect, Ralph Erskine was commissioned to design a development plan for the whole community, but only one block was ever built now named Row Housing by the residents. Here at the very extremes of nature, at the peripheries of civilization, the modernist dream has gotten frozen into the pack ice."

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The Swingers Project (53), 1999 Fugiflex print Courtesy of Leslie Tokonow Gallery, NY

### Nikki S. Lee

Nikki Lee was born in Kye-chang, Korea in 1970 and moved to New York in 1994. Solo shows include Stephen Friedman Gallery in London (2000) and Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, NY (1999). Her work is included in the *Kwangjju Biennale* in Kwangju, Korea (2000) and has been featured at the Fondazione Sandretto Re Rebaudengo Per L'Arte in Turin (1999), P.S.1's *Generation Z* (1999), and at Leslie Tonkonow Artworkds + Projects, NY (1998).

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Grant Proposal, 1999. C-print Courtesy Fredrick Petzel Gallery, NY (image of work in the show not yet available)

## Dana Hoey

Dana Hoey was born in San Francisco in 1966 and moved to NY in 1989. Solo exhibitions have been organized at Friedrich Petzel Gallery, NY (1999 and 1998). Her work has been included in group exhibitions at Galerie fur Zeitgenossische Kunst Leipzig, Germany (2000), and at The Fotomuseum Winterthur, Switzerland (1999).

"I arrived in New York in 1989. The perverse ways that modern women make money inspired these photos."

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Bottled Waters, 1998-present Bottles Courtesy the artist

## Mi Young Sohn

Mi Young Sohn was born in South Korea in 1972 and moved to New York in 1991. Solo exhibitions have been organized at Yale University School of Art Gallery, New Haven (1998), and at Parsons Exhibition Center, NY (1996). Her work has been included in group exhibitions at The World Trade Center, NY (1999), at The Hudson River Museum, Yonkers, NY (1999), at CRG, NY (1998), and at Exit Art/ The First World, NY (1996).

"This project started with a bottle of Store 24 water from New Haven, Connecticut in 1998. I have been collecting bottled water, rather many different kind of 'bottled waters' from all over. It has been an active process of looking and seeing. It is a process I often use in my work. I am influenced by what surrounds me.

This particular project occurred to me when I started drinking bottled water and realizing how water plays a big part in our well-being. Water is good for the skin, cures cold, and stops constipation. It used to be that only high-class and movie stars drank bottled water. Demi Moore washes her hair in Evian water. Now it's as common as Gap clothes. Gap bottles their own for corporate meetings. Tired and thirsty from shopping? Go buy a pair of shoes from Kenneth Cole and you get a drink too.

It's not so much about the water anymore. It's so much about the label. What looks good and what you're in the mood for. Some say you shouldn't have to pay for water. I don't think you are. You pay for the image. I wonder if people know that bottled water expires?"

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