

Gallery 263

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Second Life

Artist reception Thursday, January 29, 6-8 pm

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If these walls could talk, the raspy voice of Rebecca Rose Greene would ring out over Boston that she has been busy making art...art that tells a story. Greene constructs her characters from recycled materials found abundant around town, and then adorns them with costumes. Scuba Girl and the Smoker are two such creatures in her current storybook installation. They are connected by a splash of galaxy like balls that travel up the wall and overhead in a rainbow arc. There is sophistication at play here. Greene worked late into the snowy winter nights of early January to install "Second Life," the new show at Gallery 263 in Cambridge, MA. Her characters are whimsically wicked and have attracted the local school children on their daily walks home to visit the space. They have been curious to find out more about the masks and what they are saying. One third grader asks, "Are those cigarettes that rabbit is smoking?" Another girl talks about how she feels like Samsquantch, (a gorilla - like mask perched atop a white baby doll dress) when needing to finish her morning cereal.

Greene grew up in Brockton, MA and received her BFA from the Art Institute of Boston in 2006. She is never in repose for long and she moves with grace. "My work is made primarily from recycled materials found in the good ole dumpsters around Boston. Cardboard is free, easy to manipulate, sturdy and forgiving. There is potential in the waste left behind in our community and I use what we consume to the fullest and give it a *Second Life*."

Greene's installation is on view now at Gallery263 until the end of January. G263 is located on the corner of Putnam and Pearl Streets in Cambridge. The gallery is open to the public every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 11 am to 6:30 pm. The artist reception will be held on Thursday, January 29, 2009 from 6 – 8 pm. For more details about this exhibit and the gallery, please visit – www.gallery263.com.

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