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Gallery Nucleus Presents

### 'CATALYST & DREAMS TO REALITY'

January 17 - February 2, 2009

Opening Reception: Saturday, January 17, 2009 (7 pm – 11 pm)

Admission is free. Refreshments served.

Gallery Nucleus brings you two simultaneous group shows - 'CATALYST' and 'DREAMS TO REALITY' - featuring a crop of emerging and most-talked-about contemporary young artists of the day.

'CATALYST' is comprised of emerging artists whose work merits special attention. These are the artists that we admire, and who possess a contagious energy and enthusiasm in their craft. Featured artworks and themes are distinct and vast with each artists drawing upon his/her own personal experiences and aesthetic tastes. The art featured will delight and intrigue viewers to these fresh talents, from the surreal and darling worlds by May-Ann Licudine, to the patterned and atmospheric paintings by Cielo Oreste. Also featured is established motion picture Concept Artist Chris Appelhans, French Illustrator Adolie Day, Fashion Illustrator Laura Laine, the highly ornate paintings of Yellena, installation and mixed media artist Edith Abeyta, and the Leyendecker-esque stylings of Leonardo Villaseñor.

Opening the same night is 'DREAMS TO REALITY' Curated by artist David Jien, 'DREAMS TO REALITY' is a fundraising exhibit designed to help a friend in need. Friends and artists have united together to do what they do best - art, and in turn are donating all proceeds to this cause. Artists include those who are quickly making a name for themselves like Ekundayo, Mike Alvarez, and Andrew Hem, whose works have been exhibited in galleries throughout Los Angeles and the USA. Other featured artists include Alvaro Sanz, Swank, Devin Strother, Leo Eguiarte, Wayne Johnson, Julianne Hsu, Alisa Yang, Reinier Gamboa, and Eric Skotness. Several of the participating artists will be in attendance.





*Since October of 2004*, Nucleus has strived to be a welcoming gathering place for the art loving community by offering quality art, art-related goods, and rarities. Focusing primarily on gallery exhibits, we have also had benefit auctions, product signings, music events, and artist lectures.

After three and a half years, we moved one block east to a much larger and more dynamic space. Still in the heart of quaint downtown Alhambra, we re-opened in March of 2008 with over 2000 square feet of open gallery space, 1000 square feet of shop/boutique, and over 3000 square feet of studio/production space.

Having exhibited both local artists and artists from abroad, and catering to an international customer base, we offer an extensive collection of original contemporary, illustrated, graphic, commercial, and narrative art. (All of which are carefully cataloged online in our website.)

Always open to the public, we welcome art collectors and the general public alike to visit us seven days a week.

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