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Art of Seduction

Photographer Joe Aker's "**Seductive Synthesis**" at Deborah Colton Gallery brings out the provocative side of architecture. His works focus on the many curves and edges of Casa Mila, a building in Barcelona designed



by Antonio Gaudí. Arguably more of a sculpture than a regular building, Casa Mila was criticized for its attention to form over function, and luckily, the form is what Aker focuses on. *Resting* is a close-up of a crevice between two slopes that resembles a bare, arched back. *Ego* captures the top of one of Casa Mila's clay structures so that it appears to be glaring down at the viewer with a puffed-out chest. *Reposed* features slopes that look like a woman lying on her side. Each photo is printed on aluminum, creating striking lines and a smooth finish that add to the sexy vibe. See if they make you swoon from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays through April 28. 2500 Summer St. For information, call 713-869-5151 or visit www.deborahcoltongallery.com. Free.

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EXHIBITS+MUSEUMS+ART HOUSES

thru 14, *art through the mind of a toyist*, Koelsch Gallery
14 – 28, *2007 School of Art Master Thesis Exhibition*, Blaffer Gallery
thru 20, *Katy Stone: Synthetic Forces*, Kinzelman Art Consulting
opens 20, *Vestiges: a Senior Thesis Exhibition*, Poissant Gallery
thru 21, *Artadia...Reprised*, DiverseWorks!
thru 27, *The Pump That Jack Used*, Art League Houston
opens 27, *Pulse*, 6pm at Laura Rathe Fine Art
thru 28, *Joe Aker: Seductive Synthesis*, Deborah Colton Gallery
thru 28, *Carlos Cruz-Diez*, Sicardi Gallery
thru 29, *Steven Alexander: World at Large*, Gremillion & Co. Fine Art
thru 29, *A Lott is a Lot*, Ggallery

13 – May 5, *Randy Peyton: Ethereal Landscapes*, Post Gallery
thru May 19, *Guantánamo: Pictures from Home. Questions of Justice*, FotoFest



MUSEUMS:

- **Art Car Museum**, 140 Heights Blvd. 713.861.5226
- **Art League of Houston**, 1953 Montrose 713.523.9530
- **Blaffer Gallery**, UH Campus, Ent. 16, 713.743.9530
- **Heritage Society**, 1100 Bagby 713.655.1912
- **Houston Fire Museum**, 2304 Milam 713.522.4652
- **Museum of Printing History**, 1324 W. Clay 713.522.4652
- **Orange Show**, 2402 Munger 713.926.6368
- **Project Row Houses**, 2501 Holman 713.526.7662
- **University Museum**, 3100 Cleburne Ave. 713.313.7145

ART HOUSES:

- **Archway Gallery**, 2013 West Gray 713.522.2409
- **ArtScan Gallery**, 1836 Richmond 713.807.1836
- **Barbara Davis Gallery**, 4411 Montrose 713.520.9200
- **Blossom Street Gallery**, 4809 Blossom 713.869.1921
- **Booker-Lowe Gallery**, 4623 Feagan St. 713.880.1541
- **Community Artists' Collective**, 1501 Elgin 713.523.1616
- **Dakota Gallery**, 2324 Shearn 713.523.7440
- **Deborah Colton Gallery**, 2500 Summer Street 713.864.2364
- **DiverseWorks**, 1117 N. Main at Naylor 713.223.8346
- **FotoFest**, 1113 Vine Street 713.223.5522
- **Ggallery**, 301 East 11th Street 713.802.9466
- **Gallery 101**, 1011 Washington Ave. 713.228.3997
- **Gallery 1724**, 1724 Bissonnet 713.523.2547
- **Gallery Sonja Roesch**, 2309 Caroline 713.659.5424
- **Goldesberry Gallery**, 2625 Colquitt 713.528.0405
- **Gremillion & Co. Fine Art**, 2501 Sunset Blvd. 713.522.2701
- **HCC-Central Gallery**, 3517 Austin 713.718.6570
- **Houston Landmark Gallery**, 1200 McKinney #415, 713.650.3551
- **Houston Studios**, 707 Walnut #100, 713.223.0951
- **Hollywood Frame Gallery**, 2427 Bissonnet 713.942.8885

- **Laura Rathe Fine Art**, 1107 East Freeway 713.824.3575
- **Lovett Inn Art Gallery**, 501 Lovett Blvd. 713.522.5224
- **Mackey Gallery**, 5111 Center Street 713.850.8527
- **McClain Gallery**, 2242 Richmond 713.520.9988
- **McMurtrey Gallery**, 3508 Lake St. 713.523.8238
- **Midtown Art Center**, 3414 La Branch 713.521.8803
- **Mind Puddles**, 2305 Dunlavy 713.529.MIND
- **Moody Gallery**, 2815 Colquitt 713.526.9911
- **Mother Dog Studios**, 720 Walnut 713.229.9760
- **New World Museum**, 5320 Center 713.426.4544
- **Nolan-Rankin Galleries**, 4621 Montrose #B110, 713.528.0664
- **OliverCharles Gallery**, 2037 West Alabama 713.526.6277
- **O'Kane Gallery**, One Main St. @UHD 713.221.8042
- **Peel Gallery Shop**, 4411 Montrose Blvd. 713.520.8122
- **Post Gallery**, 2121 Sage Ste. 165, 713.622.4241
- **Redbud Gallery**, 303 E. 11th St. 713.862.2532
- **Retro Gallery**, 1839 W. Alabama 713.522.7074
- **Rice University Art Gallery**, 6100 Main St. 713.527.6069
- **Ripley House/Neighborhood Centers Inc.**, 4410 Navigation 713.238.1477
- **Rudolph Projects I ArtScan Gallery**, 1836 Richmond Ave.
- **Sicardi Gallery**, 2246 Richmond 713.529.1313
- **Sippora Gallery**, 234 West Gray 713.520.1085
- **Space125gallery**, 3201 Allen Parkway 713.527.9330
- **Studio**, 1107 East Freeway 713.224.5555
- **Studio 314**, 314 East 13th Street 281.898.0444
- **Talento Bilingue**, 333 S. Jensen Drive 713.222.1213
- **Tansu**, 321-B West 19th 713.880.5100
- **Thom Andriola**, 2627 Colquitt 713.520.7053
- **Thornwood Gallery**, 1201 Birdsall 713.861.2787
- **Watercolor Art Society**, 1601 West Alabama 713.942.9966

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Galleries

Anya Tish Gallery, 4411 Montrose Blvd., 713.524.2299; anyatishgallery.com. Eastern-European to Texas. Through March 20: Soody Sharifi: "The Garden of Persian Delights." April 27 – May 26: Vincent Falsetta, Charlotte Smith.

Archway Gallery, 2019 W. Gray St., 713.522.2409; archwaygallery.com. Artists-owned. Through March 31: "The Kimono Show"; April 1 – May 19: Kit Harrison's acrylic abstracts.

Art in the City, 3601 W. Alabama St., 713.552.0900. Cool mix. March 9 – 11: Assorted art to be showcased at Kreiss Collection, 3912 Westheimer. April 26 – May 17: Maureen Seeba.

The Artful Corner, 3423 White Oak Dr., 713.426.4278. American crafts, especially glass. May 4 – 27: The Houston Metal Arts Guild.

Asia Minor Collectibles, 2402-B Rice Blvd., 713.807.0100; asiaminorart.com. Turkish decorative art.

Barbara Davis Gallery, 4411 Montrose Blvd., 713.520.9200; barbaradavisgallery.com. International, national, top-tier Texas. March 10 – April 7: Paul Kittelson. April 14 – May 12: Donald Lipski. May 19 – June 16: Paul Fleming.

Bering & James, 805 Rhode Place, 713.524.0101; beringandjames.com. Gleaming new digs. March 24 – April 10: Ellen Orseck, Andrew Scott Dejesse, Amy Ferrari, Jackie Venegas Loafman, James Stephen Zoller in "Texas." April 14 – 24: "Portrait and Figure Show."

Blossom Street Gallery & Sculpture Garden, 4809 Blossom St., 713.869.1921; blossomstreetgallery.com. Good bet for beginning collectors. March – May: Open Group Show.

Booker-Lowe Gallery, 4623 Feagan St., 713.880.1541; bookerlowegallery.com. Amazing aboriginal. March 2 – April 28: "Colours from Ikuntji." May 4 – June 30: Judy Watson.

Deborah Colton Gallery, 2500 Summer St., 713.864.2364; deborahcoltongallery.com. March 10 – April 28: Frank Rodick, Joe Aker. May 5 – June 30: Salli Babbitt; L. Brandon Krall.

Devin Borden Hiram Butler Gallery, 4520 Blossom St., 713.863.7097; dbhbg.com. Enlightened stable. Exquisite setting. Through March 15: Michael Petry: "Garden of Eden." March 10 – April 14: Houston's William Betts.

De Zeta Art Gallery, 4200 N. Main St., 713.864.9989. Contemporary American and Latin art. Call for shows.

Dunbar Galleries, Galleria, 5175 Westheimer, 713.622.3063; dunbargalleries.com. Recently unveiled. Great 1970s paintings. HQ for the legendary David Adickes. March: Allan Rodewald's canvases and glass sculpture.

Eastman-Smith Gallery, 4920 Center, 713.862.6969; eastmangallery.com. Emerging hometown talents. March 1 – 27: "The Ides of March." April 12 – 24: Abstracts. May 3 – 22: "The Mini-May Show."

Finesilver Gallery, 3913 Main St., 713.524.3733; finesilver.com. Top San Antonio dealer arrives; active in the international fairs. Through April 14: Solos by Erik Benson, Chris Sauter, Julianne Swartz. April 27: Willie Cole and others.

G Gallery, 301 E. 11th St., 713.869.4770. Edgy incubator. March 3 – 18: "Restless." March 24 – April 1: University of Houston Intermedia Lab Show. April 7 – 22: "Lotte." May 5 – 27: "Qua."



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