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Katy Anderson + Patrick Medrano

Swiftly Tilting Planet

September 11th to November 6th, 2010 Opening Reception: Saturday, September 11th, 6 – 8 p.m.

Deborah Colton Gallery is pleased to announce an exhibition of mixed media works by Katy Anderson and Patrick Medrano.

The new collaborative work is a composite of images from childhood inspirations and recent events in our own backyard. The new collaborative work features five custom framed photographic pop-out prints based on images taken between 2003- 2010 in Fodice, Texas.

Two of the new works are interactive. *Pennies from Heaven* prompts viewers to indulge their long time desire to play Plinko on *The Price is Right...*bring your pennies to the show in order to interact with this work of art. *The Happy Medium* is about a character from the book, *A Wrinkle in Time. The Happy Medium* lives in a cavern on a planet in Orion's Belt. Human in appearance, she uses her crystal ball to look at distant places and people. Her title comes from the character's jolly temperament, and her preference for looking at happy things.

Houston based sculptor and painter Patrick Medrano and photographer Katy Anderson began their collaboration in 2002. In the past eight years, this team has partnered in finding new and unique ways to combine their two creative talents.

Anderson's black-and-white photographs are often featured prominently as the background as well as the main subject. Medrano takes the photograph and builds the artwork into three-dimensional sculptures that usually include elaborate wooden frames, exaggerated puppets, mechanisms, electronic devices and lighting elements.

Katy Anderson was born in Houston (1979) and raised in Lovelady, Texas. Patrick Medrano was born (1973) and raised in Victoria, Texas. Most recently these two visual artists have combined their energy and talents to create The Fodice Foundation, a non-profit organization whose mission is to transform a W.P.A. era school building into an arts Mecca that will be located two and a half hours northeast of Houston. For more information, please visit www.fodicefoundation.org.

Deborah Colton Gallery is founded on being an innovative showcase for ongoing presentation and promotion of strong historical and visionary contemporary artists world-wide, whose diverse practices include painting, works on paper, sculpture, video, photography, performance, conceptual future media and public space installations.