

# JOSHUA GOODE Artifacts from the Burial Site of the Unicorn T-Rex

Where: Ro2 Art DOWNTOWN 110 N. Akard, Dallas, Texas 75201 When: March 1 – 30, 2014 OPEINING RECEPTION: Saturday, March 1, 7-10pm

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(Dallas, TX) Ro2 Art is thrilled to welcome artist Joshua Goode for his solo exhibition, *Artifacts from the Burial Site of the Unicorn T-Rex*. The opening reception will take place Saturday, March 1 from 7 to 10pm, with the show running through March 30, 2014. The artist will be in attendance at the opening reception. *Artifacts from the Burial Site of the Unicorn T-Rex* will be on exhibition at Ro2 Art Downtown, located at 110 N. Akard Street, in the historic Kirby Building of Downtown Dallas.

Artist Statement: Artifacts from the Burial Site of the Unicorn T-Rex

Taking on the role of an archaeologist, I research, document, and rebuild the legacy of an imaginary ancient civilization. I create staged archaeological excavations and present artifacts (small sculptures and paintings). Many of the artifacts I discover are broken, and I re-imagine how they were originally put together and what their purpose in this past society was. They often become strange combinations of identifiable objects such as toys, tools, and other items from contemporary American culture. I invent stories and historical context for the artifacts, conjuring an idea of the daily life of these forgotten people

The mythology that results is part fiction and part fact, populated by heroes, monsters, rites and rituals. It is a mutation of my history crossed with the mythologies of cultures that succeeded at creating lasting vestiges of their own identities. I borrow their story-telling devices and strategies, to freeze, document, and rewrite my life and history. This endeavor is both self-aggrandizing and absurd, an attempt to balance the weight of uncertainty with a lasting legacy and illusion of permanence.

- Joshua Goode, 2013

### About Joshua Goode

Born- Fort Worth, Texas 1981

Joshua received his BFA from SMU in Dallas, Texas and his MFA from Boston University in Boston, Massachusetts. He has had solo exhibitions in international venues such as the Zendai Museum of Modern Art, Shanghai, (China); Darb 1718 in Cairo, (Egypt); LaSala Gallery in Zaragoza, (Spain) and Shanghai University in Shanghai, (China); in addition to group exhibitions at the Museum of the

Joshua Goode: Artifacts from the Burial Site of the Unicorn T-Rex | March 1-30, 2014 (Dallas, TX) Ro2 Art Downtown | 110 N. Akard St., Dallas, Texas | 214.803.9575 | Ro2Art.com National Library in Madrid. (Spain); National Library of Argentina, Buenos Aires, (Argentina); Zentral Bibliothek, Zurich, (Switzerland); University of Ulster, Belfast, (Ireland); Westminster Library, Westminster, (United Kingdom); MX Espai, Barcelona, (Spain); and at Loyola University, Rome, (Italy). Joshua has also exhibited in solo and group exhibitions in venues in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Seattle, Chicago, Washington D.C., Austin, Houston and Dallas and is represented in public and private collections around the world including the Zendai Museum of Modern Art in Shanghai, Penang State Museum in Malaysia, Cabildo de La Palma in Spain, and the Naval Academy Museum in Maryland.

Joshua has been a Visiting Artist or Guest Critic at Shanghai University, University of Massachusetts-Boston, Dartmouth College, Rhode Island School of Design, Marist College and Savannah College of Art and Design and was a researcher on an archaeological dig for the University of Tubingen at Vogelherd Cave in Germany. He received the Dozier Award from the Dallas Museum of Art and is currently the Chair of the Fine Arts Department at Tarrant County College in Fort Worth, Texas.

# About Ro2 Art:

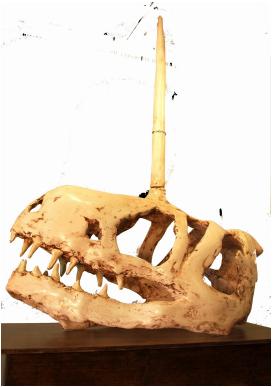
Mother-and-son partners Susan Roth Romans and Jordan Roth operate Ro2 Art, a full-service gallery and consultancy in Downtown Dallas, representing a diverse group of emerging, mid-career, and established contemporary artists, many with ties to the North Texas Region. At present, Ro2 Art focuses on the exhibition and sale of work in all visual media at the gallery in the historic Kirby Building, as well as through public exhibition programs in partnership with Downtown Dallas, Inc., The McKinney Avenue Contemporary, and The Town of Addison. Ro2 Art has been named *Dallas Observer's Best Art Gallery* and was presented with the *2012 Obelisk Award* for small business by the North Texas Business Council for the Arts. Ro2 Art is a proud member of CADD, the Contemporary Art Dealers of Dallas.

All works will be on view March 1 through March 30, 2014. Please join us for the opening reception Saturday, March 1, from 7 to 10pm at Ro2 Art Downtown, located at 110 N. Akard Street, between Main and Elm. For more information, visit <u>www.Ro2art.com</u> or call Jordan Roth at (214) 803-9575.

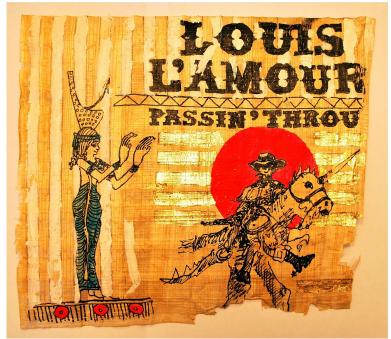
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Joshua Goode, *Adolescent Unicorn T-Rex Scull with* "No Fear" Bedazzlement, 2013, mixed media, found objects



Joshua Goode, Louis L'Amour - Passin' Throu, 2014, Egyptian Papyrus, ink, acrylic, gold leaf

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