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Mark Schubert

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Opening Reception: Saturday, January 5th, 5-7pm

Mark Moore Gallery is pleased to present new sculptures by emerging artist Mark Schubert in the Project Room. In creating his sculptures Schubert transforms familiar quotidian objects into alien forms; twisted lawn ornaments and yard furniture are skeletons from which bulbous forms bulge and rigid shards thrust in all directions. Each work takes shape as though the result of some divine apocalyptic tantrum, as if a greater force has flung these objects together, fusing them and creating a new being far beyond the craft or control of human hand. The hard plastic of lawn chairs and the chemicals of foams and polymers are rendered organic and of indeterminable texture and density, a sensory confusion. Schubert's work retains an unavoidable aggression in its distortion, although the materials he uses and the pastel paints he applies mean they are paradoxically playful and firmly grounded in notions of Americana, however warped. Schubert's work walks many fine lines, blurring the edges between painting and sculpture, transience and permanence, appeal and disgust, and always threatening to teeter either way.

Smart and intuitive [...] these works have the slap-dash solidity of great jazz improvisations.

R.C Baker

Schubert received his BFA from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI before completing Graduate Coursework in painting at the University of Iowa, IA. He has exhibited widely on the East Coast and has been included in group shows internationally, this will be his first solo show on the West Coast. Mark Schubert lives and works in Brooklyn, NY.

For more information regarding this artist or the opening event, please contact the gallery at 310.453.3031, <u>info@markmooregallery</u>, or visit <u>www.markmooregallery.com</u>