



MARK MOORE GALLERY THE KIDS ARE ALRIGHT

Culver City's Mark Moore Gallery is a true family business, founded by its eponymous owner/director and now run by his daughter, the gorgeous and brilliant Miss Catlin Moore. Raised in galleries, studios, art fairs, and museums, she has embraced her destiny -- plus which, she's really good at it.

The current program is an eclectic, risky mix of established and emerging artists reflecting a youthful, fearless spirit -- with artists as diverse as post-modern video-art magician Josh Azzarella, darkly

folkloric sculptor and painter Allison Schulnik, satin-brushed Op-Art painter Tim Bavington, current-events paper-collagist Kim Rugg, and internationally sensational muralist Andrew Schoultz all under one roof. Though not exclusively Cali-centric, there's the unmistakable character of an LA outfit in their breezy diversity of style, embrace of new media, and progressive enthusiasms that make room for beautiful alongside smart and edgy.

The next few months more than live up to this promise; with chilling, Mod-Goth paintings by Cindy

Wright; a collaborative project from Cordy Ryman & Kiel Johnson in July and August; and Ultrasonic VI, their anticipated annual group show highlighting new artists in the family, opening September 10. They relocated from Bergamot Station in January, to a 1925 brick building renovated by architect Peter Zellner, modernizing its lofty interior while preserving the quirky exterior and opening up a video lounge and the big back patio. This summer Catlin and her assistant director Matthew Gardocki put those new spaces to use, with a monthly series of short

films, music videos, and animated reels curated by gallery artists, plus DJs, and wine and beer tastings, which started in June.

The first was curated by Allison Schulnik, then by Kiel Johnson on July 8; and on August 12 a special LA CANVAS/San Antonio Winery night curated by Jeremy Fish, whose solo show opens in October -- making this the season to get hooked on the Mark Moore show. Markmooregallery.com.

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