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## Yigal Ozeri Lizzie in the Snow

Opening Reception: Saturday, October 30, 5-7p On view October 30 – December 18, 2010

For its final exhibition before permanently relocating, Mark Moore Gallery is thrilled to present an inaugural Los Angeles solo exhibition of new paintings by Israeli artist, Yigal Ozeri.



With tinges of Pre-Raphaelite aesthetics, Ozeri brings an ethereal and uninhibited sensibility to his photorealistic tableaus. His portraits of distinctive young women in rich landscapes bespeak art historical underpinnings in mimesis and romanticism, while also offering contemporary notions of sensual femininity. Rooted in Carl Jung's concept of anima, Ozeri's depictions of a revitalized connectivity to nature prompt a confrontation of a subconscious effeminate identity, and reinstate the beauty of innocent authentic experience. In this body of work, Ozeri illustrates unadulterated freedom through model Lizzie Jagger – whose lineage and demeanor epitomize social autonomy.

"It's the mimetic aspects of Ozeri's work that retain a grip on the imagination; it's his fine rendering of leaves, branches, flesh, long tangled hair and fabrics, like wool and silk, that you can almost touch and smell, as well as his vivid palette of reds, golds, pinks, creams, violets and woodsy hues. The images have the added piquancy of media trompe l'oeil — are they photographs or are they paintings?"

Lilly Wei, ARTnews (2009)

Ozeri (born 1958, Israel) has been widely exhibited internationally since 1988. Solo exhibitions have included those in Munich, New York, Houston, Los Angeles, Basel, Vienna, Israel, Paris, Tel Aviv, Salzburg, Madrid, Chicago, London, San Francisco and Athens. His work is included in the permanent collections of the McNay Art Museum (TX), The Tel Aviv Museum of Art (Tel Aviv), the Albertina Museum (Vienna), the Museum of Modern Art (Haifa), the Nerman Museum (MO), the Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art (NY), the Kennedy Center for the Arts (D.C.) and the New York Public Library (NY), among others. Ozeri lives and works in New York City, NY.

For more information on the artist, opening event or additional press materials, please visit www.markmooregallery.com, or contact:

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Upcoming events at Mark Moore Gallery's new location - opening in Culver City in 2011:

Mario Ybarra Jr., "New Work," January 8 – February 12, 2011 David Hilliard and David Rathman," Great Expectations," February 19 – March 26, 2011