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**Todd Hebert*****City and Country*****July 11 – August 15, 2009****Opening reception: Saturday, July 11, 5 – 7pm**

Mark Moore Gallery is pleased to announce *City and Country*, an exhibition of nine new paintings by acclaimed artist Todd Hebert.

In his new series of works, Todd Hebert shifts his focus from the large-scale close-up to long perspectives on smaller canvases. This playing with expected scale produces intimate and captivating works that entrance the viewer with the deft precision of their small details. Hebert embraces the label of “photorealistic surrealism” that his past work has earned, yet produces something that is altogether subtler and quieter, these new ovals and extended landscapes depicting snowmen, steam trains and dilapidated signs all shrouded in darkness. Still his work retains the same anthropomorphic quality, these inanimate objects encompassing the universal loneliness of night, speaking of isolation, decay and desolation. The iconography Hebert employs suggesting inevitable impermanence, his canvases capturing a fleeting moment just before a firework, a holiday or a season passes and is forgotten.

*Lovely to see and just a little demented, Hebert's images inhabit a world where innocent whimsy and inexplicable weirdness spiral around one another in a dizzying swirl of uncanny fascination.*

David Pagel

Todd Hebert received his BFA from the University of North Dakota (Grand Forks, ND) before going on to earn his MFA from Rhode Island School of Design (Providence, RI). He has had major solo exhibitions throughout the United States, including at the Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum (Ridgefield, CT). His work is included in numerous prestigious public collections, including that of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (Los Angeles, CA). Publications that have reviewed his work include the *Los Angeles Times*, *ArtReview*, the *New York Times* and *Art Lies*, to name a few. Hebert lives and works in Rhinebeck, NY. *City and Country* will be Hebert's fifth solo show at the Mark Moore Gallery.

For more information regarding this artist or the opening event, please contact the gallery at 310.453.3031, [info@markmooregallery.com](mailto:info@markmooregallery.com) or [www.markmooregallery.com](http://www.markmooregallery.com)

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