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Thinkspace presents:

Brian M. Viveros

'The Dirtyland'



On view: October 2nd – October 23rd

Opening Reception: Sat, October 2nd 7-10PM with the artist in attendance

Los Angeles, CA - Thinkspace is pleased to present the debut Los Angeles solo exhibition from Riverside, California based artist Brian M. Viveros. *The Dirtyland* will feature a series of new oil paintings on canvas and wood alongside a series of graphite works on paper and a small edition of hand-touched unique screen prints on wood. The exhibition will also showcase a mixed-media installation featuring a new short film directed by the artist alongside sculptural works created in collaboration with artist Gustavo Ponce.

Come with us this October to visit *The Dirtyland*. Just past Dislandia, up a ways past the last house on the left, you'll make your way onto Southern. This is where you'll find artist / surrealist director Brian M. Viveros and his smoking army of mysteriously sexy women, with their dark engaging eyes and signature helmets with cigarettes dangling seductively from their lips. It is here that these women of strength roam free, standing tall with cigarettes burning bright and helmets shinning in the night.

ABOUT BRIAN M. VIVEROS:

Celebrated fetish artist Brian M. Viveros is internationally embraced for his erotic paintings of doe-eyed beauties with Marlboros dangling seductively from their lips and has also recently been utilizing the medium of film to capture the dark and evocative debris that radiates from his mind. His paintings are a drunken mix of oil, airbrush, acrylic, and ink. In his work Viveros shines a light on his own inner world and society at large and aims to captivate even the most jaded eyes.

Viveros' recognition accelerated with his participation in *'The Art of Porn'* exhibition held in Switzerland (1997), where he exhibited alongside H.R. Giger. Since then Viveros' work has been exhibited extensively in North America and Europe in numerous gallery shows and at Aqua Art Miami (2009) and GenArt's Vanguard Fair (2008). His work has also been featured in numerous books including Les Barany's *'Carnivora: The Dark Art Of Automobiles'*, Harry Saylor and Carolyn Frisch's *'Edgy Cute: From Neo-Pop to Low Brow and Back Again'*, Matt Jordan's *'Weirdo Noir'*, and Erotic Signature's *'The World's Greatest Erotic Art of Today – Vol. 1 and Vol. II'*.

His work has also been featured in the pages of Juxtapoz (no. 118), Secret Magazine, In the Flesh, Skin Two, Drawing

Blood, Darks Art, Joia Magazine, Tattoo Extreme, XFUNS Magazine, Let's Motive, Truce, Digital Temple, Riviera Magazine, Uce Magazine, Ego Magazine, Real Detroit Weekly, .ISM Quarterly, Tattoo Society, Dark Art's Parlour Magazine, Revolution Art, Iniciativa Colectiva, Fetish Magazine, and was also recently featured on the TV show 'LA Ink' (where artist Nikko Hurtado tattooed one of Viveros' paintings onto a client).

Viveros made his directing debut in 2005 with his quietly eerie, boldly stylized short film *Dislandia*, a psycho-drama revolving around a young girl who exists in a desolate world full of dreamlike images that range from bizarre to symbolic and erotic. *Southern*, his latest surreal film, returns cinema to the unclean. *Southern* is an experience of primordial sights, sounds, and sentiment, blanketed by a fog of troubling eroticism and violence. Viveros was also recently featured on the Sundance Channel's *'Pleasure for Sale'* where they featured a behind the scenes look at the artist and the dislandic crew that helped him to create his film *Southern*.

Take a sneak peek at the works for *'The Dirtyland'* coming together:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/thinkspace/sets/72157624758524750/>

Artist websites:

www.brianMviveros.com (art)

www.dislandia.com (film)

ABOUT THINKSPACE GALLERY:

Established in November of 2005, Thinkspace exists as a catalyst for the ever expanding new contemporary art movement that is exploding forth from the streets and art schools the world over. We are here to help represent this new generation of artists, to provide them that home base and to aid them in building the right awareness and collector base necessary for long-term growth.

Our aim is to help these new talents shine and to provide them a gallery setting in which to prove themselves. It is our hope and dream that through these opportunities these individuals will prosper and continue to grow to amaze us all for years to come. With the love of and for our community, and with the talents of so many incredible artists involved, we believe that this movement will provide the necessary proving ground for the ideas and dreams of today to become the foundations of a new tomorrow.

Thinkspace Gallery is located at 6009 Washington Blvd, in the heart of the Culver City Arts District, Culver City, CA 90232. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. and by appointment. For more information, please call 310.558.3375, visit www.thinkspacegallery.com, or email contact@thinkspacegallery.com.

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November 6th – November 27th

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