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## **OPEN STUDIOS**



Saturday, April 17, 2010 12 pm -5pm Sunday, April 18, 2010 12pm - 5pm

YOHO Artists' 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Open Studios, This Year Featuring the Earth Day Exhibit "One Man's Trash Is Another Man's Treasure"

Location: YOHO CENTER FOR THE ARTS

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**Yonkers, NY** – For the past seven years, Artists, Gallery Owners, Art Collectors, Critics, Curators and Art lovers from all over Southern Westchester and the Bronx have made YOHO Center for the Arts their destination during our annual Open Studios weekend. At this year's Open Studios on Saturday April 17th and Sunday April 18th we're also featuring a 3,000 square foot Gallery space exhibiting the works of many of the talented local artists.

Our Open Studio event gives the public an opportunity to see where the art is made and to meet the artists in a one-on-one atmosphere. In our studios' relaxed atmosphere, the art loving public will discover how accessible art really is. They can meet with the artists and familiarize themselves with their creative processes, materials and range of works. Visitors may purchase artwork directly from the artists. Many of our artists are gallery-affiliated and have exhibited internationally. Many of their works are part of numerous collections in the United States and abroad.

In keeping with the spirit of Earth Day on April 22nd, YOHO is proud to feature this year its Green-themed exhibit "One Man's Trash Is Another Man's Treasure." The exhibit promotes the importance of alternative and creative ways to "Go Green" by recycling, reusing, and transforming things we would normally throw away into works of art. Participating Artists in this year's Exhibit include: RJ DiBenedetto, Kevin Gordon, Adam Shultz, Dakota Christianson, Catherine Latson, Dean Tomasula, Laurie Vigoda, Noelle Knight, and George Gutierrez.

The YOHO Artists are a collective of 55 artists and craftsmen, including painters, sculptors, etchers, jewelers, photographers, illustrators, assemblage artists, musicians and more. Since it's redesignation as the YOHO Center of the Arts in 2009, YOHO has hosted several Gallery Nite arts receptions. Patterned after popular gallery receptions in Chelsea, the Gallery Nite events focus on arts-related networking within an art-filled open studio-like environment. The next Gallery Nite event is scheduled for Friday June 4, 2010 from 6 PM to 8 PM. Nearly 100 art lovers attended our last Gallery Nite Event.

ARTISTS PARTICIPATING IN THIS YEAR'S OPEN STUDIOS INCLUDE: Adam Shultz, Amy Pasco, Barbara King, Catherine Latson, Dakota Christianson, Daniel Ortiz, David Fischweicher, Dean Tomasula, Deborah Yasinsky, Diane Mitchell, Eli Benjamin Yamin, Elizabeth Debethune, Ervin Vincent T. Chandler, George Gutierrez, Ginny Fox, Joe Hanerfeld, Joel Neff, Kevin Gordon, Laurie Vigoda, Marko Gosar, Michelle Frick, Noelle Knight, Paulo Suzuki, RJ DiBenedetto, Ruth M Gilbert, Steve A. Nunez, Tom Blake and Victor Rothman.