

SANTA BARBARA CONTEMPORARY ARTS FORUM
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Exhibition:

Call For Entries '09-'10 artists: Graham Bury, Alejandro Casazi, Madelaine Frezza, Laura Krifka, Christine Morla, and Shane Tolbert and **Bloom Projects:** Keith Puccinelli, *The Foul Stain of We*
On View: **AUG. 7 – OCT. 3, 2010**, Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum **FREE**
Opening Reception: **AUG. 7, 7 - 9pm, FREE**



Left: **Christine Morla**, *Refractions*, 2008, Candy wrapper, paper, and acrylic on panel, 30 x 36 in.
Right: **Shane Tolbert**, *I Found the F*, 2009, Acrylic on canvas on panel, 12 x 9 in.

Call For Entries '09-'10

The Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum is pleased to announce *Call For Entries '09-'10* featuring new work of area artists Graham Bury, Alejandro Casazi, Madelaine Frezza, Laura Krifka, Christine Morla, and Shane Tolbert. *Call For Entries* is an annual juried exhibition that is open to all visual artists living and/or working within Santa Barbara, Ventura, and San Luis Obispo counties. The selected artists from the local community present their work in relation to the alternative arts context of CAF.

Artists were selected in fall 2009 by a panel of jurors made up of: Anne Ellegood, Senior Curator, UCLA Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA; Michael Barton Miller, Artist and Studio Art Professor, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA; Yasmine Mohseni, Curator and Writer, Los Angeles, CA; and Adrian Rivas, Co-founder, g727, Los Angeles, CA.

Bloom Projects: Keith Puccinelli, *The Foul Stain of We*
Ventura-based artist Keith Puccinelli uses an irreverent wit to broach the conflict between the preciousness of mortality and man's frequent disregard for life. His exhibition at CAF will utilize drawing, sculpture, and a variety of mixed media, to create a deft juxtaposition between humor and tragedy.

Puccinelli received his B.F.A. from San José State University, San José, CA. In 1983, he established Puccinelli Designs, ushering in a 20-year period of national and international recognition for his commercial work. Concurrently, Puccinelli produced an impressive body of artwork, and took part in numerous exhibitions in Southern California including the



Keith Puccinelli, *Untitled*, 2009, Mixed media, 5 x 18 x 4 in.

Sonotube® Forms: Contemporary Art and Transport exhibition at the Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum, Santa Barbara, CA. Most recently, his work was featured in a solo exhibition, entitled *Keith Puccinelli: The Wondercommon* at the Ben Maltz Gallery, Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, CA, April 19-July 3, 2008.

About the Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum: The Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum (CAF) is a non-profit, non-collecting alternative art space dedicated to the exhibition, education, and cultivation of the arts of our time. Celebrating its 34th anniversary in 2010, CAF is the premier venue for contemporary art between Los Angeles and San Francisco. CAF is located at the Paseo Nuevo Mall Upper Arts Terrace in downtown Santa Barbara, CA.

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