## LAMONTAGNE GALLERY

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## **JONAS WOOD**

February 20 - March 27, 2010

Opening Reception: Saturday, February 20 from 6 to 8 pm

LaMontagne Gallery is proud to present an exhibition of new works by Boston-born, Los Angeles-based artist Jonas Wood. This is the artist's first solo exhibition in Boston.

Jonas Wood's paintings of contemporary American life blur the boundaries of figuration and abstraction. His immediate surroundings are his subjects, building a visual diary of sorts, an ever-expanding documentary of personal memories and interests: family and friends, domestic or studio spaces, tabletop arrangements of ceramic vessels and plants, and landscapes, all painted through the prism of his memory. Usually painting from collaged photographs, Wood takes delightful liberties with background, scale, and color, often distorting figures, employing unusually vivid hues, or adding a work of art in place of a family photo in an interior scene. In this exhibition, Wood has put together a group of new paintings and drawings that complement each other thematically and formally.

Jonas Wood was born in 1977 in Boston, and lives and works in Los Angeles. He received a BA from Hobart and William Smith Colleges and an MFA from the University of Washington. Wood's work has been the subject of one-person exhibitions at Anton Kern Gallery, New York, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, and Black Dragon Society, Los Angeles. His work has been included in thematic exhibitions including *Copy*, White Columns, New York and *America Abstraction*, Saatchi Gallery, London, and will be included in *Hard Targets*, Wexner Center for the Arts, Columbus, OH this year. Currently at the Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, *Hammer Projects: Jonas Wood* is Wood's first one-person museum exhibition. It will be on view February 5 - May 9, 2010.

For further information, please contact the gallery.

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