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## Samson Projects opens with ***Notorious Impropriety***

### Boston's newest contemporary gallery schedules a notorious opening for September

(Boston, MA) --- Amidst contemporary art's seeming "trendlessness" in the new millennium, *Notorious Impropriety* takes a look at artists who have their minds on the immediate impulses of today's cultural climate.

*Notorious Impropriety* examines unseemliness, bad behavior, offensiveness, irregularity, misconduct and indiscretion in slight and subtle ways. Comprising approximately 35 works by 13 international artists, the exhibition provides Boston the opportunity to see video, paintings and drawings by young and upcoming artists.

The exploits of hyper commercialism and the loss of innocence attributed to the post-911 landscape are seen as necessary evils. The consensual conscience of the viewer is singled out for inspection. Emotional affectations are considered ineffectual and trivial when the viewer must be a willing participant. Tropes and conventions of stereotype have been an integral part of this generation's aesthetic education.

In these times, this briskly argued polemic dissects a key paradox that should be obvious to anyone following the debauchery of our national political life over the past two decades as ethics in bureaucracies (and independent counsels) continue to deteriorate, the quality of public morality goes with it. In an ethical culture governed by appearances rather than substance, no one is ever held clearly accountable for anything. Everything is subject to political whims and fads and, most important, not all that connected to what we should really be bearing down on: actual impropriety.

"This is a thematic show of subtleties – slightly improper, indecent and offensive...to some. It is slightly wrong, slightly sexual, and in many ways, politically incorrect," explained Alvarez who co-curates the show with Franklin Sirmans.

#### Participating Artists:

Derrick Adams..... Jeremy Bailey..... Iona Rozeal Brown..... Luis Gispert..... Deborah Grant .... Alison Kuo.....  
Sushila Love.... Dell Milan..... Navin June Norling..... Asuka Ohsawa..... Jacqueline Salloum..... Jeff  
Sonhouse..... Nari Ward

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