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tadanori yokoo at friedman benda gallery

'a dark night's flashing'

tadanori yokoo

friedman benda gallery, new york
september 11 - october 18, 2008

the upcoming exhibition of work by japanese painter tadanori yokoo is the artist's first in an american gallery. yokoo has been painting since the 1960's, creating work which blurs the line between commercial and fine art, much like his american counterparts andy warhol and roy lichtenstein. he is a central figure of the tokyo avant-garde having worked commercially for filmmaker akiro kurosawa and the writer yukio mishima. this work pushed boundaries and

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promoted subversivity, in turn his graphic design work was highly influential for designer Milton Glaser. He has worked exclusively in painting since 1981. *all of yokoo's recent works speak to our contemporary world of stimulation and dissolution of borders, and possess disarming narratives that evoke the experience of memory.*



'fun time'

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'boys be nonsensical'

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'virgin-yu'

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