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ANDREI RABODZEENKO

Now & Ever

November 22 – January 10, 2014

Opening Reception: Friday, November 22, 5 – 8p

River House Arts in downtown Perrysburg, Ohio is pleased to present *Now & Ever*, our first solo exhibition from Chicago-based artist, Andrei Rabodzeenko. In this selection of new and recent paintings, Rabodzeenko continues to investigate the “vast expressive potential” of the classical traditions. The exhibition runs from November 22, 2013 through January 10, 2014, with an opening reception on November 22 from 5 – 8 pm.

Rabodzeenko faces the challenge of conveying present-day concepts and ideals through the artistic conventions of an earlier age with considerable skill. He also brings along a profound level of cultural and historical understanding. Though his “masterwork” series represents a stark departure from the more contemporary art forms and media he’s been exploring since 1991, when he emigrated from Russia to the U.S., his change in direction isn’t entirely surprising. In addition to his lifelong fascination with the Renaissance, as a Russian-trained architect and designer, his education was deeply rooted in the Renaissance, as well as classical antiquities and Russian Iconography.

Andrei Rabodzeenko was born in Kyrgyzstan in 1961. He trained at the Benkov School for the Arts in Tashkent, Uzbekistan and the Mukhina Leningrad Academy of Art (now the Stieglitz St. Petersburg State Academy of Art). His work has been shown in Europe, Canada, Russia, the U.S. and the U.K.

ALSO ON VIEW AT RIVER HOUSE ARTS beginning November 22nd:

Kristine Rumman, *Coronas*

The Toledo artist collaborates with renowned Master Crystal Glass Cutter and Designer, Aidan Scully in her newest series of small interactive sculptural glass objects.

Chelsey Hammersmith, *Veneration*

Hammersmith skillfully transforms the traditional Catholic rosary into something very personal and equally sacred.

River House Arts is a full-service gallery presenting contemporary works of art from around the region and beyond. Founded in 2009, the gallery is located in historic downtown Perrysburg, Ohio. Gallery Hours are 11-6 Tuesday thru Saturday. Check website for new holiday hours. www.riverhousearts.com

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