

MARTY WALKER GALLERY

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JEFF ZILM 7023629730

Exhibition Dates: June 13 – July 18, 2009

Opening reception: June 13, 6 – 8 pm

Marty Walker Gallery is pleased to announce 7023629730, an exhibition of new works by **Jeff Zilm**.

For this exhibition Zilm will install six new paintings, a sculpture and a video. The centerpiece of the exhibition, referred to in the title of the show, is a painting of the Jerry Lewis film *The Bellboy* from 1960. It will be presented alongside various early short comedies and horror titles as well as two single reel Scholastic films - *Rural Health Workers* and *Economies of Africa*. The video on view, *Free Interval* from 1999 and exhibited at Pat Hearn Gallery in 2000 has never been presented in Dallas. Also included will be a collage executed with Sonja Lowrey, a long time close collaborator.

Zilm continues to make paintings by transferring complete films, materially, from reel to canvas. Through a process of chemical destabilization he is able to extract the sound and image data from the celluloid base of a reel of film and bind it with an acrylic emulsion. The process is completed by literally re-projecting the film onto a canvas with an industrial paint sprayer. In each instance the artist observes a strict 1:1 ratio – one film equals one painting. A short film, like a Tod Browning film from the 1930's, can go on a medium size canvas. The resulting painting, existing as a kind of spectral presence, is both collapsed montage and impenetrable mise en scène - the terminal edit.

Former Chinati Foundation artist-in-residence, Jeff Zilm graduated with a BA from the University of North Texas and has shown his paintings and videos in a number of exhibitions, including the group exhibition *Texas Nexus* at the Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston; the Dallas Museum of Art; Pat Hearn Gallery; and the Jewish Museum, New York, among others. Zilm currently lives and works in Dallas, Texas.

Marty Walker Gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
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