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Art @ The Orchard – Un / Familiar: Andrew Collin and Matthew Thomas

Private View: Thursday 10th June 6-8pm, Exhibition: 11th June - 20th August 2010

Introducing the third exhibition in the “Art @ The Orchard” series. “Un / Familiar” takes a look at the work of two artists - Matthew Thomas and Andrew Collin - who take familiar objects and images and manipulate them in various ways to create new, interesting and often visually confusing works of art. This innovative series of exhibitions run by Liverpool based arts organisation dot-art, showcases the work of local artists and exposes their work to a wide audience, in relaxed, inviting surroundings.

Andrew is an experimental, semi-abstract photographer whose images deliberately confuse 2D and 3D surfaces, to create ambiguity. He particularly tries to create original work, often from the simplest objects and scenes. The works are produced in ongoing series, and new series are introduced if experiments produce results of interest.

Matthew is a photographer who merges the “decisive moment” with concept and montage. He says: “I use photography and digital imaging technologies to create visceral layers that question historical and cultural concepts of time and space. Each project often consists of multiple works, grouped around specific themes and meanings. During research and production new areas of interest arise and lead to the next body of work... The concrete, repetitive nature of this work frees my imagination and provides many opportunities for a “happy accident” to influence the finished product.”

The Orchard is a contemporary British restaurant spread over two floors of an old spice mill on Blundell Street situated in Liverpool's Baltic Triangle. The venue prides itself on it's use of only locally sourced ingredients, and now extends this local commitment with the development of this exciting exhibition program.

For complimentary tickets to the exhibition launch event on Thursday 10th June, when there will also be a special dining offer; 3 COURSES AND UNLIMITED WINE FOR £19.99, please visit: <http://artattheorchard3.eventbrite.com>.



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High resolution images available on request.

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Notes to editors.

The Orchard Liverpool is a restaurant situated on 57 Blundell Street. Our bar and restaurant menu presents customers with the opportunity to sample high quality wholesome comfort food, all sourced from within a 55 miles radius. Private hire is available

See www.theorchardliverpool.com for more information

dot-art is a Liverpool based art gallery and consultants which exists to make affordable original art accessible to all and help artists promote and sell their work.

We offer a comprehensive, flexible and affordable service to our corporate clients, from consultancy and sourcing to framing and hanging. Work can be acquired on a purchase, commission or rental basis, and can be built into wider marketing, branding or CSR objectives using a variety of bespoke approaches, including exhibitions, artist talks, promotional launches or events and staff workshops.

dot-art functions in a unique fashion, operating a membership system which gives artists a range of benefits including their own web page, exhibition and promotional opportunities, access to sales and rental avenues, as well as help and advice, networking events and discounts on art supplies and framing.

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