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Guerilla Galleries Installation and Exhibition

October 23-25, 2009
33 Washington Street
3rd Floor
Newark, NJ

Opening reception, October 23, 6-9pm

Closing reception, October 25, 5:30-7:30pm

Guerilla Galleries presents ***Poetry of the Unwritten Word: Abstracts in the Raw*** as part of Newark's Open Doors 2009, a tour of artists' studios and available space. Centered around an installation that reconstructs the largest artwork to date by self-taught artist **Alex Masket** – his bedroom – this immersive exhibit also features a documentary about the 22 year-old artist, “Breaking Boundaries: The Art of Alex Masket”, by Dennis Connors, and complementary works by Marshall Okin, Stan Sudol, Christine Wagner, and Erik Garcia. ***Poetry of the Unwritten Word*** highlights Masket's uninhibited, bold use of color and his facility with unconventional media. The 10' x 13' space, completely covered in colored duct tape, demonstrates that Masket's art has no boundaries.

Masket's work is currently on exhibition at Summit Medical Group and Rutgers University Art Library. His mixed media piece “Untitled (Black Corner)” will be featured on the cover of the upcoming issue #13 of *Esopus* magazine, which also includes an extensive portfolio of his work and an 8”x40” removable foldout poster. Masket was the subject of an article in the Fall 2009 issue of *Rutgers Magazine*, and his artwork graces the cover of this year's Byrne Seminars course catalog for Rutgers University.

An opening reception for ***Poetry of the Unwritten Word*** will be held Friday, October 23 from 6-9pm at 33 Washington Street, 3rd floor, Newark, open to the public. **Guerilla Galleries** will also have a small exhibit, *The Newark Line*, in the entrance to the Barat Foundation located at 765 Broad Street, Newark beginning October 23.

About Alex Masket

Entirely self-taught, Alex's work is dominated by color and form. Utilizing various media in unorthodox ways to realize his vision, Alex creates pieces that are intricately composed and beautifully balanced.

Alex, who has severe autism, is unrestrained by the limitations of tradition, contemporary tastes, or schools of thought. He displayed his sophisticated sense of color and his interest in letters and numbers at the age of 2. Now 22, he is able to use his instinctive understanding of color, light and form to reveal his unique view of the world.

Visit Alex at www.alexmasket.com.

About Guerilla Galleries

Guerilla Galleries is a newly formed artist collective dedicated to the overthrow of artistic malaise and complacency through grassroots exhibition events and spaces. We hope to plant creative seeds in fertile, yet unplowed soil, to germinate and grow community based artistic centers.

Through a truly egalitarian composition of artists, professionals and the enthusiastic, we hope to slowly and steadfastly promote artistic expression and expansion wherever we are welcome and supported to do so. The founders of Guerilla Galleries form a triptych comprised of artistic dedication, strong work ethics, and an altruistic belief that creation is a necessary component of the human spirit.