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Gallery Three Presents
Epic Battles (On the Mountain at Dawn)
New Work by David Cook
Opening Reception: Saturday, August 14, 2010 7-11pm
Exhibition Dates: August 14 – September 4, 2010

SAN FRANCISCO, CA—May 01, 2010—Gallery Three is pleased to present *Epic Battles (On the Mountain at Dawn)*, the first West Coast solo exhibition of new work by David Cook. For this exhibition, Cook has built an elaborately themed body of work around a tale of love, hate, sex, and death between a high priestess, a two-headed king, and their respective armies of fantastical creatures. The artist's imagery employs a mythological language inspired by such subversive influences as heavy metal music and a personal friendship with a dominatrix whose domme persona, "Teresa Nasty", is rendered two-dimensionally as the main character in the *Epic Battles* narrative.

In the artist's words: "It's all about the tension and control she lords over everyone around her, and the confusion she creates. What is love to her? Why is everyone so eager to please her and, at the same time, attempting to destroy her?" These questions will be played out across the 30-35 mixed media pieces Cook has created for *Epic Battles*, melding illustration, stenciling, and paper cutting techniques.

The opening reception for *Epic Battles (On the Mountain at Dawn)* will be held at Gallery Three on Saturday, August 14th, 2010 from 7-11pm. The exhibit will be on display through September 14th, 2010 and is free and open to the public.

David Cook is a self-taught artist born and raised in Louisville, KY and currently working in Brooklyn, New York. His most recent artistic development is the integration of color into his work - especially significant as the artist is color blind.

Calendar Editors:

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WHEN: Opening Reception: Saturday, August 14th from 7-11pm
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WHERE: Gallery Three, 835 Larkin Street, San Francisco, CA 94109

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Gallery Three was founded in 2007 by Justin Giarla as an experimental space to show up-and-coming artists. Already being the owner of two galleries in San Francisco, The Shooting Gallery and White Walls Gallery, Giarla opened Gallery Three with the intention of expanding on the genres of Urban and Outsider Art. Since its inception Gallery Three has provided young artists with the opportunity to receive attention from the San Francisco art community.

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