

DEREK ELLER GALLERY

North Room:

Lorenzo De Los Angeles

Diadem and Chrysalis

April 10-May 16, 2009

Opening Reception: Friday, April 10, 6-8 pm

Lorenzo De Los Angeles will present a group of exquisitely detailed colored pencil drawings in which subversive content is depicted in soothing pastel colors. Referencing botanical illustrations, medical books, and religious iconography, De Los Angeles carefully renders such subjects as the ambiguously gendered "Saint Wilgefortis", a bearded woman who was crucified according to European folklore. Also included is a devotional image of "Amorphophallus Titanium", the world's largest flower whose spadix bears a striking resemblance to a penis, as well as the intimate "Delicate Membrane", which pictures the hand of a scientist or artist using a pencil to dissect a biomorphic form. Frequently walking the line between violence and beauty, De Los Angeles' subjects are presented as sacraments imbued with ritual and alchemistic powers.

Lorenzo De Los Angeles's work has appeared in numerous exhibitions throughout the United States, Europe, and Japan. This will be his second exhibition with the gallery.

Derek Eller Gallery is located at 615 West 27th Street, between 11th and 12th Avenues. Hours are Tuesday - Saturday from 11am - 6pm. For further information or visuals, please contact the gallery at 212.206.6411 or visit www.derekeller.com.