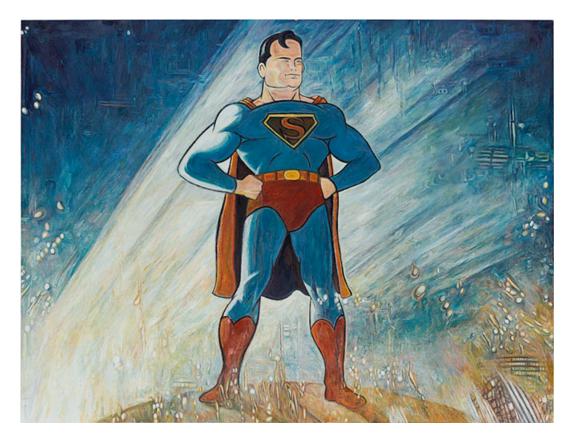
DEREK ELLER GALLERY



North Room: **Keith Mayerson**, *My American Dream (Prologue)* February 15 - March 15, 2014 **Opening Reception: Saturday, February 15, 6-8pm**

My American Dream (prologue) is a three painting series of works by Keith Mayerson, that performs as a romantic "first act" for his upcoming salon-style non-linear narrative *My American Dream*, to be exhibited in the Stuart Comer section of the *2014 Whitney Biennial*. The first work is a diptych of the artist and his husband, Andrew, rendered from photographs taken by studios when they were small children. The second painting of the series is *Superman*, based on the first 1941 cartoon by the Fleischer Brothers that help to define the iconic American character (originally created by Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster) for the artist and for generations of people throughout the world. The last painting of the series depicts, from the artist's own photo and POV, sunlight beaming down at he and Andrew relaxing together in rafts at their pool below their modest cabin in Perris, California.

Keith Mayerson was a Semiotics and Studio Art major at Brown University, and received his MFA from University of California, Irvine 1993. His work is included in the permanent collections of the Museum of Modern Art, New York, the Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, the Los Angles County Museum of Art, the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Columbus Museum of Art, the Corcoran Gallery, Washington D.C., and the Whitney Museum of American Art. He lives and works in New York City. This will be his seventh solo 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 <u>www.derekeller.com</u>