

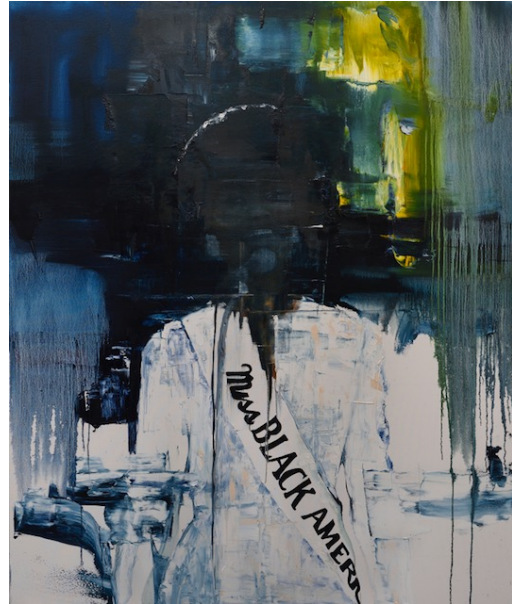
GOBBI FINE ART

GOBBI FINE ART is pleased to present *HOME*, the first exhibition of Australian-born artist **Michael Angel** which will be on view January 9th – 14th at 195 Chrystie Street. A reception for the artist will be held on Thursday, January 11th from 6pm until 9pm.

In a series of eight new paintings, Michael Angel explores domesticity through portraits that were primarily inspired from photographs dating back to his youth. Although far from the total abstraction of some of his earlier works, the canvas scraping of his palette knife technique is still present and serves here to obscure and distort in order to distance the figures and unsettle a narrative of comforting home life.



Untitled, 2017, Oil on canvas, 72 x 60 inches



American beauty, 2017, Oil on canvas, 72 x 60 inches

His source material combines themes of patriarchal authority and Americana, culminating in the juxtaposition of American Beauty and *Untitled*. Both paintings draw from appropriated photographs, one taken in 1969 of Gloria O. Smith, the second titleholder of Miss Black America and one from an advertisement for White Owl Cigars published in 1965 featuring a white woman wrapped in the American flag.

Michael Angel (b. 1975) lives and works in Brooklyn, New York. Originally from Melbourne (Australia), Angel has called New York home for 16 years. As an accomplished designer, he pioneered the use of digital print in textile design.

On View: January 9th – 14th, 2018

Opening Hours: Tuesday – Sunday, 10am-6pm

Artist Reception: January 11th, 6pm-9pm

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