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"Swinging Jimmies" by Theo A. Rosenblum and Chelsea Seltzer

from Jeff Bailey Gallery (posted by Jeff Bailey)



Jeff Bailey Gallery is pleased to present a sculpture by Theo A. Rosenblum & Chelsea Seltzer in the gallery's garden.

On view through August 2nd is "Swinging Jimmies", an oversized donut form suspended from the balcony by a length of rope. As if in a lustful thought bubble, the donut swings slightly from side to side, centered in one's view of the garden. One can perceive the great weight of the object as it strains against its harness, creaking in the wind. A donut of standard size is loud, but manageable. We silence its lurid suggestions in the act of consumption, quickly licking the crumbs from our fingers. In this case, one's approach cannot be so eager. We are confronted with desire as a looming obstruction.

Some will remember childhood parties at which they were blindfolded and pushed, mouths agape, towards a dozen strung from a washing line. Many of us would continue, as we ventured into the unknown, leading with our tongues. Both alluring and grotesque, Swinging Jimmies invites at once memories of a tire swing and images of the gallows. Pain and pleasure together provide the fickle flavor of life, in which we can only hope to land frosting-side-up.

Theo A. Rosenblum and Chelsea Seltzer are frequent collaborators who also maintain distinct studio practices. As a couple, they have shown widely, including a solo exhibition, Two Heads Are Better Than One, at The Hole in New York City. Their work has been featured in BOMB Magazine, The Brooklyn Rail, and The New York Times. They live and work in Brooklyn, New York.

Image: Theo A. Rosenblum & Chelsea Seltzer, "Swinging Jimmies", 2012, wood, foam, resin, epoxy, clay and acrylic, 42 x 42 x 16.5 inches

ALSO ON VIEW

Todd Knopke: BrightAirBrilliantFire
Irena Jurek: Smooth Jazz

For further information or images, please contact the gallery at info@baileygallery.com or 518.828.6680.

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