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THE OTHER TRACK – FRANK JACOBOWSKY AND BETTY FEIX

Vernissage: Tuesday, July 31 2012, 7 pm
Exhibition: August 1 – September 15 2012
Galerie ART CRU Berlin

Introduction : **Matthias Böhler**
workshop manager, VIA Werkstätten gGmbH
Ralph Stabbert
chief of department decoration & design, VIA Werkstätten gGmbH
The artists are present.

Galerie ART CRU Berlin is presenting works by Betty Feix and Frank Jacobowsky. Betty Feix shows vibrant pictures and compelling diaries; Frank Jacobowsky produces three-dimensional miniature worlds made of wood with an impressive richness of detail. Both artists are working in the VIA Werkstätten gGmbH.

Betty Feix (b. 06/14 1990) is a painter and writer and since February 2009 in the workshops of VIA. She writes crime novels or stories about Michael Jackson, Britney Spears and others. Her books are illustrated with naive Art-Brut styled drawings made by Feix with pen, pencil and crayon. She also depicts the protagonists of her novels in larger formats with acrylic on canvas. She paints Britney, Michael and Johnny Depp. Especially in the joint effect of imagery and narrative Betty Feix's cheery characters can unfold their captivating charms the best.

Frank Jacobowsky (b. 09/02 1957) specialised in sawing-works. Since 2006 he has been working almost exclusively with wood that he treats most strikingly only with a specially made hand drill. Over the years Jacobowsky's handling of the wood has developed to a fascinating accuracy. Tiniest pieces get drilled through, glued together, painted at and connected to form fantastic image-worlds constantly growing in size and richness of detail. Also impressive is Jacobowsky's scale of themes. Up to now many projects have been realised such as South Africa, Miniature Golf, Theme Park, Underwater World, Wild West Town, Workshop and Airport.

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Galerie ART CRU Berlin is Berlin's only gallery for so-called Outsider Art since 2008. The term (introduced in 1945 by painter Jean Dubuffet as "Art Brut") refers to art by people with psychiatric diseases or mental disabilities. The gallery's main focus is to reduce the distance between established art and Outsider Art. Furthermore it aims at interconnecting the artists and their scenes. Being located at the Kunsthof in Oranienburger Straße, the gallery doesn't just present works by people with disabilities right in the centre of the art scene, it also increases their public visibility. Galerie ART CRU Berlin is carried by the non-profit federation PS-Art e.V. Berlin (network of different institutions) lead by Alexandra Gersdorff-Bultmann and her son Nikolaj Bultmann.

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Frank Jacobowsky: The Airport (Der Flughafen)
2011, 120x81x27cm



Frank Jacobowsky: The Theme Park (Die Freizeitanlage),
2010/2011, 115x62cm



Betty Feix: John and Betty underneath the trees
(John und Betty unter Bäumen), 2011, 100x100cm



Betty Feix: John and Betty (John und Betty), 2011
100x100 cm

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