## FRESKO AN EXHIBITION TO BENEFIT HAITIAN ARTISTS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.





Cole's Bar in Logan Square is hosting a reception for the exhibit FRESKO, which is on display from September 4<sup>th</sup> until October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The show consists primarily of paintings from three Haitian artists residing in the southern coastal town of Jacmel. The evening will feature a reception for the exhibit and music by Chicago artists Ragged Claws & others. Admission is free and desserts will be provided.

Long held as an artistic epicenter in Haiti, Jacmel was broadly devastated by the January 12<sup>th</sup> earthquake. Each artist has their own story of having lost their home, family members, and their studios along with much of their work. In addition to the paintings on display, artisan crafts from one artist will be on display and portions from all drink purchases will go towards the artists as they continue to rebuild their lives in Haiti.

The paintings on display, while drawing from a common cultural cache of images and motifs, highlight the dysfunction and turmoil of the artists' experiences, which often subverts the typical pastoral naiveté common to Haitian folk art. Two artists are members of the art school and collective FOSAJ located in the city, while one artist resides in the rural area surrounding Jacmel.



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