

eileen tognini event

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PREVIEW | Cocktail preview with Artist and Curator (\$25pp)
Thursday April 4, 5-6pm
Press passes available by RSVP to eileen.tognini@verizon.net

EXHIBITION | THURS APRIL 4, 6-9pm | FRI APRIL 5, 6-9pm | SAT APRIL 6, noon-9pm

ADDRESS | Skybox at 2424 Studios | 2424 E. York St. Philadelphia, PA 19125

New work by **JASON HACKENWERTH** | Curated by Eileen Tognini

The Song of the Silken Mermaid

Jason Hackenwerth, New York-based experiential artist returns to the Skybox after his popular epic-scale 2009 exhibition of inflatable sculptures to create an ethereal installation for 3-days only.

PHILADELPHIA- Contemporary sculptor Jason Hackenwerth will exhibit large-scale new work on Thursday April 4 - 6th in the Skybox at 2424 Studios at 2424 East York Street in the Fishtown neighborhood. Using ultra lightweight plastic, Jason will create billowing illuminated *cloud caves* filled with air; referencing expansion and contraction, ebb and flow, and our own "exhale and inhale". Light and movement will create atmospheric spaces for viewers to wander, evoking a sense of timelessness and meditative calm.



Jason is an experiential artist whose dialogue with common accessible materials is used to create ethereal and surreal environments. Best known for his epic scale works with latex balloons, Jason has exhibited internationally, including the Venice Biennale, SCOPE Fair in London, and Jang Heung Art Museum in Seoul, Korea. Most recently Jason's *cloud caves* has been shown at the Victoria & Albert Museum in London, and Moscow's Garage for Contemporary Culture. Jason Hackenwerth received his MFA from Savannah College of Art and Design, and BFA from Webster University in St. Louis, MO.

Eileen Tognini (Curator) has been organizing and curating art-centered events, artist salons, and sculpture gardens for the last 16 years. Her work focuses on exhibiting the talents of emerging and recognized artists in the Philadelphia/New York region. The Song of the Silken Mermaid is the 6th large scale solo artist installation at the Skybox at 2424 Studios which juxtaposes powerful site specific work in the dramatic 7000 square foot, turn of the century industrial space.

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