



Opening Reception **1 July** | Exhibition through **28 August**

MICAËLA GALLERY presents COLD+HOT 2010, an annual showcase of the work of selected national and international glass sculptors in a single exhibition. Featured artists are Peter Bremers, Kathleen Elliot, Michael Janis, Michelle Knox, Weston Lambert, Carol Lawton, Silvia Levenson, JP Long, Susan Longini, Thomas Scoon, Carmen Spera, and Kristiina Uslar, who collectively demonstrate the expansive versatility of glass as a sculpture medium in terms of material, color, and form, alongside the video work of Tim Tate and photography of Mark Leibowitz.

The exhibition title, COLD+HOT 2010, derives from the distinct processes used by glass artists for millennia - sculpting its form, or cold-working it while cold (actually, at room temperature), very hard and brittle; and working hot glass, shaping it while molten, using blowing and/or kiln forming techniques at temperatures ranging from 1700 to over 3000 degrees.



Silvia Levenson addresses life and femininity with wry wit and beautiful work. Her work addresses daily living and the veiled anguish within the home, offering viewers a dark and comic window of not so blissful family life.

Socially concerned with the influences of modern self medication, as a method of coping with what she calls the cocoon and the battlefield: a place of love, hate, and tension; Levenson's work displays dualities of fragility and imperviousness - best conveyed through her mediums of glass and video. Purposefully exploiting her personal experiences as wife, mother, daughter, and sister to express the fragility and complexity of her oeuvres, much of Levenson's art is an attempt to resolve the difficulties of living with threats of violence, political and domestic, that are out of our control.

Silvia Levenson's work was featured this summer at SCOPE Art Show 2010 in Basel, Switzerland during Art Basel week. Born in Argentina, she now resides in Italy.

IMAGE: Silvia Levenson. Voglio Essere Felice e Anche Bella, 2009. Kiln-cast glass. 6 x 15.5 x 2.75 in. Singular.

You are cordially invited to join us for a welcoming reception for the artists on Thursday, 1 July 2010, from 5 to 7.30 pm. For inquiries or a preview of these works, please contact info@micaela.com.

A print exhibition catalog, PDF exhibition catalog, photographs and high resolution images are available upon request. To order print exhibition catalog, please contact the gallery at info@micaela.com

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