



Magic and Romance
oil on linen

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**Ritcharod Rodriguez, NY artist at SPECTRUM MIA
Through December 8th, 2019
Booth S517**

November 23, 2019 – **SPECTRUM Miami 2019** is pleased to present, *Magic Quests and Miracles*, showcasing a recent body of work by New York artist, Ritcharod Rodriguez, who as of this year is permanently residing and working in Miami Florida. The 15 paintings on display serve to commemorate 45 years of the artist painting in oils.

In 2019, a year of personal crossroads, Ritcharod Rodriguez relocated from his native New York City to Miami, perusing his new surroundings between his residence in Brickell facing the Bay to his studio in Allapattah. Rodriguez confesses he never looked up at the skyscrapers of NY where he was born until he returned from a long residency in Europe, awed by its terrific wealth of Art Deco.

Now in his new city, he's likewise inspired by the skies over Miami. Ritcharod elaborates, "especially when the heat soars along with its humidity, and I'm struck by massive cloud formations that reach up vertically catching the sun's spectrum of vibrant colors at all times of day. Results of my work are not representational whatsoever but while spontaneously provoking my medium I aspire at tapping an energy in which to connect with the world, a true candid dialogue.

"I was a realist for a good fifteen years, trained within the ways of the old masters by the late Gilbert Stone, primarily seduced by the Dutch. During an eight year residency in Europe, Berlin, Hamburg, Paris, I discovered the later works of American abstract expressionist Joan Mitchell. Mitchell among a few others eventually fed my emancipation from the restrictions of academic realism, in time jumping off the cliff of a comfort zone with a hand glider of my own invention, sans regrets."

Rodriguez' works have been featured amongst many artistic institutions such as the Jerome Gallery in Aspen, the FIAC in Paris at the Grand Palais, and Princess Stephanie and Prince Albert II's Fight AIDS Monaco. He has been commissioned and has had his paintings collected throughout three continents.

VIP Press Preview, Wednesday, December 4th | 4 – 6pm.

LISTING INFORMATION:

WHAT: *Ritcharod Rodriguez: Magic Quests and Miracles, Celebrating 45 years of painting in oils*
WHERE: Booth S517, SPECTRUM Miami 2019, Mana Wynwood: 2217 NW 5th Ave, Miami, FL 33127
HOURS: VIP Press Preview, Wed, Dec 4th | 4 – 6pm, Opening Night, 6 – 9pm, General, Thurs - Sun, 12 - 8pm
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Digital images are available upon request