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## **NEW EXHIBITION AT DESANTOS GALLERY**

*New Work from Artist Cara Barer Makes Big Impression on the West Coast, Now coming to Houston.*

HOUSTON, TX – Exciting new work entitled “Becoming a Myth” from Houston photographer, Cara Barer to be shown at DeSantos Gallery. The opening for the exhibition will be held on **Saturday, November 7, 6-9 PM**. The fascination with Barer’s new form of art photography continues to grow each year as she presents a new body of work about books.

Along with the book photographs in this exhibition, Barer will also present new mixed media sculptures created from the previously photographed books. Barer has also cast one of these sculptures in bronze – a step in a different direction for her, but one that has opened a new door for the artist in her repertoire of mediums. Says Barer, “I continue to experiment and find new ways to re-purpose books that no longer have a reason to exist. In this digital age of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, I hope that people will consider the ephemeral way in which we choose to obtain knowledge, and the future of books.”

Barer’s work has crossed the boundaries of traditional photography, and ventures into unique territory by blurring the line between photography, book art, paper art, and sculpture. Her photographs have been featured in three new books about the many forms of paper art. “Perfect Paper,” published by Page One Publishing, in Singapore, “Papercraft,” published by Gestalten in Berlin, Germany, and also in “Paper, Tear, Fold, Rip, Crease, Cut,” by Black Dog Publishing in the UK.

In February, her new work was presented at the UCLA Book Fair by Susan Spiritus Gallery. After that, it was also shown in two group exhibitions this year in San Francisco at Andrea Schwartz Gallery, and in Los Angeles at Tarryn Teresa Gallery. The Los Angeles exhibition, titled “Palimpsests,” recently received a positive review in the Los Angeles Times on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

Her work is also being featured with Galerie Poller in the Frankfurt Book Fair in Germany, October 13-18, 2009.

## ABOUT CARA BARER

Cara Barer lives and work in Houston, TX. She is represented by galleries nationwide, and also internationally in Toronto, Canada, and Frankfurt, Germany. Her photographs are in many collections, public and private. Her work has appeared on numerous book and magazine covers.