

## MONARCH STUDIO

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### TATIANA GARMENDIA: EPIC

Thurs, Sept 3 – Sat, Sept 26, 2009  
Reception: Thursday, Sept 3, 6–8pm



**SEATTLE, September 10, 2009** -- Monarch Studio is pleased to announce an exhibition showcasing a group of drawings and large scale paintings by Seattle artist **Tatiana Garmendia**.

Influenced by Sun Tzu's military classic *The Art of War*, Tatiana Garmendia explores conflict, confrontation, and reconciliation and its role in personal and historical narratives. Set amid exotic landscapes, minimalist stage sets, and in-between places, toy soldiers, nude warriors, brides, and skeletons entertain, horrify, and startle the viewer.

*"Garmendia's exploration of war is, then, not a simple opposition. It is an acknowledgement of the need to counter evil, to survive oppression by strategies and defenses."*

–Susan Platt, Art Critic, Seattle

Complete resume and images available upon request.

### ABOUT MONARCH STUDIO

Located in the heart of Seattle's Pioneer Square art district, Monarch Studio is a fine art gallery promoting the sale and exhibition of contemporary art by emerging and mid-career artists. The works exhibited reflect a diverse range of innovative ideas and techniques that address our current social and cultural environment. New exhibitions are mounted both monthly and bi-monthly, with the openings corresponding to Seattle's First Thursday gallery walk.

