

# MARKET STUDIO

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## TEXTING THE FIGURE

Summer Show @ MARKETstudio.org

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*Texting The Figure* showcases the figurative work by jonmarc edwards. Utilizing his unique Character-based *Merge* ideograms jonmarc explores the relationship between figure, text and meaning. Emotion exudes, sensuality simmers and the cool intellectual discourse pervades many of the paintings, drawings and sculptural renderings. Like most of JMe's paintings, layers of information go hand-in-hand with the surface construction, blending the content and form into a synthesis of actuality; the fulfillment of possibility.

### About the artist;

Jonmarc was born into a nomadic family of retail hustlers and small town shopkeepers. He grew up learning to print advertising signs and giftwrapping packages for his father's "five & dime" customers. Jonmarc's mother was an avid baker and gift maker, her attention to taste and detail made a big impression on jm's direction. His art grew out of this mixture of ink block printing with equal parts sugar & spice. As his father's job evolved into managing chain stores, the family began to move throughout the upper mid-west. Arts and crafts became the only constant in Jonmarc's life as his education became a revolving door of public schools while friends changed on a yearly basis. Jonmarc would continue to travel around the U.S after high school, eventually living in New York City and visiting Japan, gathering influences as diverse as calligraphy, punk sensibilities and short story writing.

Since 1990, Jonmarc has lived in Los Angeles, finding fertile ground for his interests including; installations, digital formats and teaching. He is best known for work that transforms composed writing into concise, legible pictographic landscapes.

The *Meet Your (Coffee) Maker Café* will be open during gallery hours and appointments.