

# DIAZ CONTEMPORARY

**Zeke Moores**

*Constructs*

**31 May to 7 July 2012**

**Opening Thursday 31 May 2012 from 6 to 8**

Zeke Moores engages in a sculptural practice that combines a high level of craftsmanship and technical complexity with clever and unexpected references to objects of the everyday. Ambitious, irreverent, and impressively detailed, his works play with the viewer's expectations about commodity and significance, and bring the language of a contemporary material environment into conversation with traditional artistic categories.

Heavily influenced by his extensive background in fabrication, blacksmithing and foundry, Moores is driven by respect for industry, engineering and design, as well as by careful observation of his surroundings and a desire to question how and where culture assigns value. Marked by an undeniable mischievousness, the works cause us to look at our environment differently, both inside and outside the gallery walls.

Zeke Moores holds a BFA from the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design and graduated from the MFA program at the University of Windsor, Ontario in 2005. Recent solo and group exhibitions include Stride Gallery in Calgary, AB, University of Waterloo Art Gallery in Waterloo, ON, Memphis Metal Museum in Tennessee, and the 2011 Sobey Art Award Shortlist exhibition at the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia. Moores teaches at the University of Windsor, in Windsor, Ontario.