DEREK ELLER GALLERY

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North Room: **Ruby Sky Stiler An Artificial Return** January 6 - February 5, 2011

Opening Reception: Thursday, January 6, 6 - 8 pm

At first glance, **Ruby Sky Stiler**'s wall reliefs seem to be direct quotations from classical antiquity. In fact, she has cobbled together an incongruous pastiche of imagery and objects which reference a myriad of sources, both ancient and modern. To that end, Stiler explores the notion of authenticity: how it is perceived, creates value, and can prompt an atmosphere of authority surrounding an object. The work delves further into this question via materials. Appearing as though a conservator of antiquities haphazardly pieced together chiseled marble fragments to make a whole, Stiler's wall reliefs are actually constructed from contemporary art supplies: acrylic resin, foam, polymer adhesive, and pigment. Ruby Sky Stiler's work was included in the *2010 Emerging Artist Fellowship Exhibition* at Socrates Sculpture Park; she will also have a solo exhibition at Nicelle Beauchene Gallery running January 21 - February 27, 2011.

Derek Eller Gallery is located at 615 West 27th Street, between 11th and 12th Avenues. Hours are Tuesday - Saturday from 11am - 6pm. For further information or visuals, please contact the gallery at 212.206.6411 or visit www.derekeller.com