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**HOPE ATHERTON
RECENT PAINTINGS
March 29- May 3, 2008**

Bortolami is proud to present Hope Atherton's second solo exhibition in New York. Her paintings contrast luminescent light and shadowy darkness that push the figurative to the point of abstraction. Mysticism, eclecticism, and lyrical formalism all act together to offer the viewer a window into Atherton's private and personal world. The characters and scenes depicted are trapped in an ephemeral haziness, both dreamlike and real, as if looking at a memory, blurred and distant, as well as rich and palpable.

Hope Atherton was born in Warrenton, Virginia in 1974 and currently lives and works in New York City. Her work has been exhibited in the Greater New York 2005 exhibition at PS1.

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