

# Another Happy Day:

## Found Photographs Collected by Jonah Samson

### September 12 - October 27, 2013

Opening reception and book launch: Saturday, September 14, 7 PM

Introduction by Jonah Samson, 7:30 PM

*Another Happy Day* brings together an exhibition and publication of anonymous photographs found on eBay from the private collection of Canadian artist and collector, Jonah Samson. The photographs in *Another Happy Day* reflect his unique collection of compelling figurative photographs, dark sense of humour and attraction to the macabre. Samson's interest in voyeurism is evident in the collection through often violent and sexualized images, contextualizing the many sources of his practice.

Jonah Samson has been photographing, writing, curating and collecting for over a decade. His writing on photography has been included in magazines across North America. He has exhibited nationally and internationally, including *Otherworldly* at the Musée Eugène Leroy, Lille, France (2012) and the Museum of Arts and Design, New York (2011), *The Archives of Pleasantville Historical Society* at G. Gibson Gallery, Seattle (2011) and Aqua Art Fair, Miami (2010). In September 2013 Samson will present *Our Lady of the Flowers of Evil* at Wil Aballe Art Projects, Vancouver, an exhibition of photographs created using original crime scene negatives from the 1950s. In the same month he will also release an artist publication titled *Dead Man's Hand*, based on early 20th century crime photography and Film Noir. Samson currently lives on Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia.

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anonymous, silver gelatin print, 11 x 8.5 cm, courtesy  
Jonah Samson collection



anonymous, silver gelatin print, 10 x 20 cm, courtesy Jonah  
Samson collection (detail)



anonymous, silver gelatin print, 16.5 x 11.5 cm, courtesy  
Jonah Samson collection



anonymous, silver gelatin print, 19 x 16.5 cm, courtesy Jonah  
Samson collection (detail)