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“ A F T E R  S C H O O L  S P E C I A L ”

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NEW YORK, NY – What happens when you get six of the best figurative artists in the world together in one room? “After School Special,” an exhibition featuring original work by the Full-time faculty of the New York Academy of Art. Harvey Citron, Catherine Howe, John Jacobsmeyer, Margaret McCann, Edward Schmidt, and Wade Schuman.

Showing together for the first time, these six exceptional artists exemplify the core values of the Academy. The timeless elegance and flawless observations of Ted Schmidt’s drawings counter Catherine Howe’s virtuoso paint-handling, Harvey Citron’s muscular renderings of the human form offset against nuanced and elliptical images by Wade Schuman. John Jacobsmeyer and Margaret McCann complete the picture with hypnotic visions of plywood worlds and self-portraits with Marge Simpson hair stuffed with Magritte icons.

After School Special encapsulates everything that makes the Academy’s MFA program so unique. It is the only program of its kind to offer intensive technical training and active critical discourse in a contemporary conceptual context.

The exhibition will open with a reception on Tuesday, January 17 (6pm - 8pm) and will remain on view through Sunday, February 5; closed Wednesdays and holidays. The exhibition is free and open to the public.

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Hi-resolution jpegs of the selected works and artists bios are available upon request: smearns@nyaa.edu

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