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PRESS RELEASE

Monica Bock

Without Irreverence

May 21 - June 15, 2013

Opening Reception: Thursday June 23rd, 5pm - 8pm

Gallery Hours: Tuesday - Saturday, 12noon - 6pm. Admission is free.

SOHO20 Chelsea presents *Without Irreverence*, new ceramic sculpture by Monica Bock. The exhibition will be open to the public from May 21 through June 15, 2013. An opening reception will be held on Thursday May 23rd from 6pm - 8pm.

In *To the Light House*, Virginia Woolf suggests that, "A mother and child may be reduced to a shadow without irreverence." Woolf's novel of reconciliation, built on memories of familial loss and regeneration, is the initial inspiration for Monica Bock's recent sculptural work using hand-altered glazed porcelain slip castings of a mother-daughter pair of early-twentieth century style dollhouse figures. Striking poses based on iconic temple acrobats, sky goddesses and divas, or succumbing to the weight of their own skins, Bock's mothers and daughters dance en masse and gather in small conversations across the gallery walls, at once bound by and set free from the consequences of their intimacy.





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		<p><i>Without Irreverence (divas and acrobats)</i>, 2013 glazed porcelain</p>
		<p>Supported by a grant from the UConn School of Fine Arts Research and Creative Activity Committee and Vice-Provost/Vice-President for Research.</p>

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Monica Bock is Associate Professor of Art at the University of Connecticut, Storrs. She has exhibited widely in such venues as Chicago's Museum of Contemporary Art, Pittsburgh's Mattress Factory, Mobius in Boston, and Art in General in New York City. She received her BA in Art from Oberlin College, and her BFA and MFA in Sculpture from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, where she taught as an Adjunct Assistant Professor before accepting her current position in 1996. She has received a variety of awards including an Arts Midwest/NEA Regional Visual Arts Fellowship.

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Directions to Soho20 Chelsea: From Grand Central: Take #6 local (green line) to 23rd St. Transfer to a Cross Town Bus or walk west on 23rd to 10th Ave. Walk south on 10th to 27th St. and west to the number 547. Alternately, take the C/E train to 23rd St. at 8th Ave. Walk west on 23rd to 10th St. and continue as above to the Gallery. For further information contact: Jennifer Dierdorf, Gallery Director, at 212.367.8994, or info@soho20gallery.com.