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**Latin American Contemporary Art Projects
Opens *Disruption***

Charlotte, North Carolina – Latin American Contemporary Art Projects, Charlotte’s newest art gallery, is proud to present *Disruption*, featuring five, large-scale works by emerging Argentine artist Santiago Quesnel. These oil paintings reveal Quesnel’s pictorial research in nature, and portray images from an imaginary self that are generated at the intersection of the record, experience and memory. His masterful creations of natural scenes disrupted by the aberrant and unnatural create a jarring experience, only to draw the witness further into their dream-like, ethereal qualities. Quesnel evokes an overwhelming sense of curiosity in his works that is balanced beautifully by quality and depth.

Santiago Quesnel, born in 1975, is a painter who currently lives and works in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He studied filmmaking at Universidad de Buenos Aires prior to taking up painting at the age of 20. Quesnel is part of a strong group of emerging artists in Argentina, often participating in group critic seminars and teaching painting to young children. He has had solo shows in Centro Cultural Recoleta, Jardin Oculito and the Florida Art Center, and has participated in numerous group exhibitions. His works are in private collections across the world, including France, England, the United States, Spain, Uruguay, and Argentina.

Disruption joins five sets of works also on view, further reinforcing LaCa’s representation of a wide-ranging and dynamic group of artists. Other featured artists include Otto Apuy (Costa Rica), Juan Dolhare (Argentina), Wifredo Lam (Cuba), Ricardo “Chino” Morales (Costa Rica), and Jesús Rafael Soto (Venezuela). *Disruption* runs through December 31, 2013. The gallery is open to visitors Monday through Friday from 1-5 p.m. Private and media appointments may be requested at info@lacaprojects.com.

The community is invited to attend an opening for *Disruption* on Friday, November 1 from 5-8 p.m., featuring light nibbles and a wine bar. RSVP is not required but encouraged (info@lacaprojects.com).

About LaCa Projects

LaCa Projects, located in the heart of the revitalized FreeMoreWest neighborhood, is a platform dedicated to the presentation, development, and promotion of Latin American art and culture within the United States. It encourages cross-cultural dialogue by representing a small group of influential and thought-provoking emerging and mid-career artists, as well as exhibiting a broader range of work by established and master Latin American artists. The gallery is part of an upcoming expansion that will include studios offering residencies to Latin American artists from around the world, and an authentic café.

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