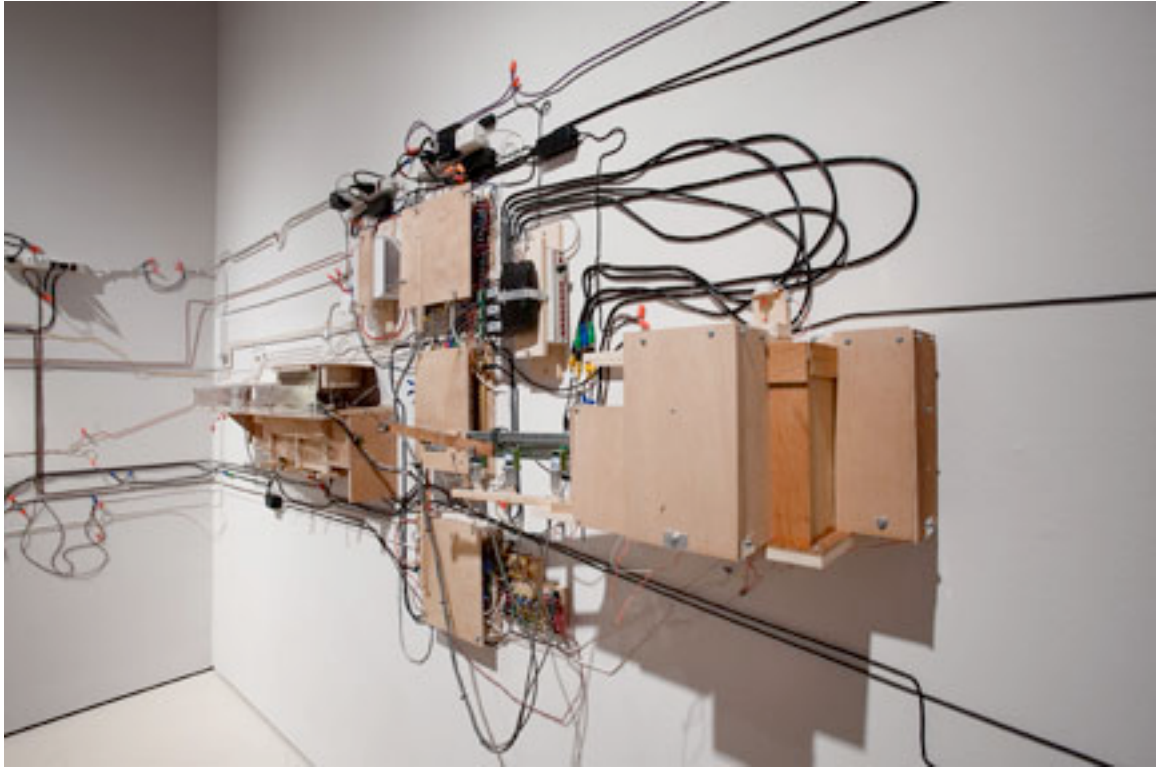


McClain Gallery Artists Jeff Shore & Jon Fisher Receive Top Artadia Award



McClain Gallery congratulates Jeff Shore and Jon Fisher for receiving top honors in the recent Artadia Houston 2010 Awards. A panel of three leading curators including Houston's Toby Kamps, Senior Curator at the Contemporary Arts Museum Houston, Monica Ramirez-Montagut of the Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Ridgefield, CT, and Sandra Jackson-Dumont, of the Seattle Art Museum selected from 15 short-listed finalists drawn from 230 Houston applicants. The artist duo is one of two Artadia Houston 2010 Awardees at the \$15,000 level.

The collaborative work of Jeff Shore & Jon Fisher involves electro-mechanical sculptural installations that perform in real time to create surreal and cinematic audio and video displays. The functional electrical systems and mechanical devices are left intentionally exposed, creating elaborate wire drawings on the wall. Hand-crafted dioramas are animated within the installation,

which feed to a video screen, accompanied by a continuously created soundtrack. These organic systems result in a poetic complexity and a use of metaphor that is epic. Shore and Fisher recently had a solo show at Derek Eller Gallery, New York and McClain Gallery, Houston.

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Image: *Cliff Hanger* (detail), 2009, Mixed media video installation, dimensions variable