



On February 7 2007 the 2007 Chelsea International Fine Art Competition was opened to all visual artists 18 years or older working in any media excluding video art, film or performance art. This is Agora Gallery's 22nd juried exhibition. Artists' works will be adjudicated by Tina Kukielski, the senior curatorial assistant at the Whitney Museum New York City. In addition to cash prizes for the top three artists, 15-20 artists will be given the opportunity to have their works displayed in a collective exhibition at Agora Gallery in August. The top six artists will each be awarded with placement of six <http://www.agora-gallery.com/newsletters/images> on [Art-Mine.com](http://www.art-mine.com) for a year. The winning artist will also be awarded with a one-page review with two color <http://www.agora-gallery.com/newsletters/images> in [ARTisSpectrum](http://www.artispectrum.com) magazine. Not only will the artists participating benefit from the competition as Agora Gallery will be donating it's share from all artwork sales at the exhibition to UNICEF. For more information on the competition [click here](#).

### Featured Artist

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Fantastical, cutting and distinct are the three words that best sum up the works of T. Mikey. Several of his creations were recently featured in Agora Gallery's *Pixel Perfect: The Digital Fine Art Exhibition*. But his genius and phantasmagorical imagination extend beyond the domain of the digital. T. Mikey's imagination took root in the world of comic-book style line-drawing and his artistic wizardry matured into hyper-realist 21 st century surrealism. He masterfully captures the figure and the mindscape and manufactures beauty and meaning through illusion using an array of techniques from pencil portraiture, figure illustration, murals, photographic canvas manipulation, collage and 3D rendering.



*Hope* by T. Mikey 3D UW 50" x 30"