



Autzen Gallery, Portland State University Art Department

Autzen Gallery, Second Floor PSU Neuberger Hall, Room 205, 724 SW Harrison, Portland, Oregon 97201

Gallery Hours: Monday-Friday, 10-5 p.m., or by appointment: rockp@pdx.edu

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## **Calling All Destroyers**

**Derek Bourcier**

**PSU MFA Candidate Graduate Exhibition**

Exhibition dates: Monday, April 11, 2011 – Friday, April 22, 2011

Opening reception: Saturday, April 16, 2011, 5-7 p.m.

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MFA Thesis Lecture: Tuesday, April 19, 2011, 5-6 p.m.

Shattuck Hall Annex, 1914 SW Park Ave, Room 198, Portland, Oregon 97201

### Exhibition Statement

Calling All Destroyers is a recent group of works through which the artist closely examines, and even scrutinizes the human environment, specifically the environment of the city. Examining the creative processes taking place within the city as revealed through sculpture, video and photography, drawing from both the connective and isolating aspects of public spaces. Inspired from walks around Portland at night, these works use found detritus, and phenomenological investigations as conceptual points of departure.

### Biography

Derek Bourcier was born in 1980 in Logan, Utah and studied at Cornish College of the Arts in Seattle, WA. Bourcier was a member of the unpopular rap group Linda and Ron's Dad and painted murals with teenagers involved in the juvenile court system through ArtWorks, a non-profit organization in Seattle. Since moving to Portland in 2009, Bourcier has been pursuing an MFA in Contemporary Art Practices from Portland State University and will be exhibiting in the Portland Building's Installation Space in July of 2011.