

Raymond Legaspi

Have you ever had one of those days? When everything that could possibly go wrong just does? Welcome to Raymond Legaspi's new series of paintings on the subject of unfortunate events. The Bacolod-based artist explores irony, hyperbole and more tongue-in-cheek poking of fun at convention with this latest collection. Watch as cosmic karma catches up with a little sausage dog who steps on his own poop, or a blazing red fire truck that is itself now on fire, or an angel falling in anguish. More hilarity ensues when Raymond's parade of trademark plump men and women embark on adventures such as a lovers' quarrel at the beach is exaggerated by an upcoming storm, a sinking ship, and a shark attack in the background. Unfortunate situations are rendered joyously and vividly in Legaspi's world.

Raymond first broke onto the art scene in 2007 after 20 years in advertising as an art/creative director with an array of local and international creative awards. He quickly garnered a following after his first series, "Daster", which depicted pleasingly plump provincial ladies wearing telling patterns or stories on their local "daster" dresses. Since then, Raymond has had successful exhibits in Bacolod, Manila and Singapore. Raymond has recently received an award from Nokia and the Philippine Daily Inquirer as one of the country's 10 most exciting young artists.

Raymond Legaspi's show unfortunately opens at the Alliance Française Total Gallery on Tuesday, March 2, 2010, with cocktails at 6:30 pm to 9 pm. It will be on exhibit until March 25, 2010. For high resolution images of the artworks and more details about the exhibit, kindly contact Mr. Earl Parco (AFM Cultural Officer) at 895 7441 / 895 7585 or email cultural@alliance.ph. You may visit the AFM website at www.alliance.ph.

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