

# APOGAEA APOCRYPHA

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## ☉ STATE OF THE DISUNION ADDRESS - PRESIDENTIAL MATTERS

### Greetings Apogaeans,

It's a whole new year and we hope you're ready for a whole new Apogaea!

Much like our monkey ancestors who many years ago climbed out of the trees to see just what else they could use these opposable thumbs for, in our 5th year of operation (8th if you count Geodesika) we are stretching ourselves a bit further to see just what we might be able to create.

There will be much revelry and swinging through the trees, not to mention heart-pounding, ass-shaking, throw-your-hands-in-the-air-and-scream dance music, crazy costumed freaks, interactive art, burnable art, barely legitimate art, and more...but what we're most excited for this year is YOU!

This year we're stirring and simmering, seasoning and sniffing, until the community spirit reaches maximum potency. Our community has marinated in its own creative juices long enough to rise to flavorful new heights. Can you smell the community spirit? We can! And it's just delicious. Kinda makes me want to nibble on your forearm just a bit... oh? What's that? Cannibalism is still not acceptable even in a radically inclusive society? Damn it, there goes our plans for a theme camp. Well, there's always next year..

While we reconsider our theme camp options, here are a few other announcements for you.

### Official Officers:

Meet the new officers of your Apogaea Board, here to help usher in an era of monkey madness like no other. Know them, love them, they'll be working hard for you all year.

- **President** – chel.C
- **Vice President** – Ronica Roth
- **Treasurer** – E~Vol
- **Secretary** – Schmid-E

### The Sound of Silence

You asked, and we listened (well, as much as we could over that heady bass!). This year Apogaea will institute quiet hours from 6am to 10am, as well as "tone-down" hours from 4am-6am. During these hours you can bask in the beautiful sounds of nature and the questionably "natural" sounds emerging from your neighbor's tent.

Sounds camp policy will also be strictly enforced this year; so if you're planning to bring some thumpa-thumpa, be sure to read up on the rules and register yourself as a theme camp ASAP! Only a limited number of camps will be allowed projected sound (others will need to enclose their beats), so register early, register often, and tell us all about how you'll rock our world and our booties.

### Apogaea Says "No!" To Taxes!

That's right, we are officially filing for tax exempt status as a non-profit organization. Thanks to your participation, over half our operating budget each year is directly granted to -YOU - the artists, now making us eligible for charitable status. While you may not be able to avoid paying your own income taxes, you can rest easy knowing that the price of your ticket won't be taxed as well. We hope this evolution of our organization will allow us to continue to support our thriving artistic community even further in years to come.

That's all for now, folks...

Keep an eye out for more exciting events and odiferous community spirit. **The Town Hall meeting and ensuing after-hours groovin' will soon be announced, and tickets will be on sale before you know it. Volunteer committees are ramping up and there are still plenty of places to get involved. Set your excitement level to high, and get ready, cuz here we go!**

Cheers,  
chel.C

## ART TICKLE - ART COMMITTEE REPORT

### ***Congratulations to all the art grant recipients.***

We had over 30 grant submissions and only \$7,000 to give away. This was a tough job, but we think you will be pleasantly surprised with the outcome. Many thanks to the **Creative Committee** for all of their hard work and to all the grant recipients for their hard work.

If you have an idea for something you would like to do at Apogaea this year, please read on for all kinds of important information.

### **THEME CAMPS**

What is a theme camp and how do you make one happen? Learn all about them...

Please note that this is also the place to apply to bring a sound system to the event. There is a limited capacity for sound systems at the event, and sharing is highly encouraged.

### **Limited Space**

Apogaea has limited space for theme camps, so it is important to register ahead of time. Each registered theme camp will be assigned to a reserved area based on their individual needs. The earlier you register the better chance you have of getting suitable placement. If you do not register your theme camp, it does not mean you won't be able to do it; however, you may end up very far from the central areas, on uneven ground, or in an area with a lot of underbrush.

### **CREATIVE INSTALLATIONS (aka ART!)**

If you are planning on contributing to Apogaea by bringing:

- **art installations over 8'x 8'x 8'**
- **theme camps**
- **workshops that require use of shade structures**
- **sound systems**
- **fire-related art or performance**

You must register these creative projects to ensure that we can accommodate your space and location requirements. If you don't register your work or it can't be installed and used safely, Apogaea reserves the right to remove it.

### **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS**

is **Midnight of April 30, 2008.**

Please click on the appropriate link below to be taken to the registration form

[\*\*THEME CAMPS\*\*](#)

[\*\*CREATIVE INSTALLATIONS\*\*](#)

### **MUTANT VEHICLES (aka ART CARS)**

If you have a Mutant Vehicle or Art Car you would like to bring to the event, please contact [info\(AT\)apogaea\(DOT\)com](mailto:info(AT)apogaea(DOT)com) to discuss that possibility. We would love to see your creation, but there are a few limitations that need to be explained.



### **WORKSHOPS**

Do you have a passion you would like to share with others? Do you have a great depth of knowledge in an interesting field? Are you comfortable talking in front of a group of people?

Conducting a workshop is a wonderful way to participate in the event. If you are interested in offering a workshop, please register it by

emailing [workshop\\_register\(AT\)apogaea\(DOT\)com](mailto:workshop_register(AT)apogaea(DOT)com). Apogaea will work with you on coordinating, scheduling, and finding a suitable location to hold your workshop.

We will post information about bringing your Musical Acts and Performances as they become available. Stay tuned!

## COME HERE OFTEN? A GUIDE TO EVENTS THAT YOU MIGHT OR MIGHT NOT THINK ARE COOL...

### MONTHLY

#### 1 First Monday Art Talk -

**First Monday of each month  
7:00pm - 9:00pm**

is FREE to the public and will provide a look into the life of an artist or art group each month through a unique reproduction of their influences. Art, music, and more! What else could you ask for? Oh, yeah, and it's FREE!

Location: Dazzle Restaurant at  
930 Lincoln St in Denver

Contact Eric Matelski  
[minime80465\(AT\)yahoo\(DOT\)com](mailto:minime80465(AT)yahoo(DOT)com)

#### 2 First Friday Art Walk

– FREE ART (Oooh and free bar and appetizers at many galleries too!) Come enjoy the sights and scene of the Santa Fe Art District the First Friday of every month as the galleries open their doors to display this month's hottest art.

#### 3 First Friday Square Lounge

**First Friday of each month  
11pm-1:30am**

This monthly variety show offers local performance artists a chance to show off their talents to a live crowd. Think you've seen variety? You haven't seen anything until you've seen the Square Lounge's mixture of Cabaret Voltaire (Dada), old campy television shows and cocktails. Prepare to be amazed!

Location: Dazzle Restaurant at  
930 Lincoln St in Denver.

Contact Eric Matelski  
[minime80465\(AT\)yahoo\(DOT\)com](mailto:minime80465(AT)yahoo(DOT)com)

#### 4 The Hill is Burning

Denver's Capitol Hill residents (though we are radically inclusive, dontcha' know), invite you to a hang-out/discussion/reunion type thing-y over drinks. Meeting at Charlie Brown's sporadically throughout the year.

If you'd like to be put on the notification list.

Contact The Mayor at  
[ontherd714\(AT\)yahoo\(DOT\)com](mailto:ontherd714(AT)yahoo(DOT)com)

#### 5 Last Friday "Untitled" Event at Denver Art Museum

**Last Friday of each month  
6:00pm-10:00pm**

The final Friday of every month at the DAM feels less like a field trip and more like a night out. Food, music, performances, collaborative collections...and that's only the first floor!

More Information:  
<http://untitled.denverartmuseum.org/>

### MARCH

#### 1 Saturday, March 15 - Mystery School Meltdown 9pm

For those of you who can't get enough thumpa-thumpa, this is a show not to miss. Lorin Bassnectar, Eliot Lipp, Kid Beyond and more will be performing at the Boulder Theater. Calling all Bass freaks!

More info: <http://tickets.bassnectar.net/calendar.php>

#### 2 Thursday, March 20 - Paper Couture 6-11pm

The Art Directors Club of Denver presents fashion like you've never

seen before. As a charity fundraiser, teams of designers create the latest and greatest fashion concepts purely from paper donated by sponsors. These fashions are then showcased at a grand runway show, voted on by a panel of judges, and auctioned to the most fashionable bidder. Just make sure you look out for the paper cuts! Yow!  
More info: <http://www.adcd.com/>

#### 3 Friday, March 21 - Linear Theories - 10:00pm-5:00am

You may remember us by the top floor at the last Gog party, Metatron's Cube, and Fruit of Life from the past two years at Apo.

This year we are planning something much bigger – an installation of the night sky with 3-dimensional constellations suspended above people's heads. This will be set up in the lower valley of Happy Ass Ranch at Apogaea .

Please help us make this project a reality while having some fun and dancing the night away with the sounds of your favorite local artists and DJs playing breaks, techno, psytrance, and IDM.

directions and info: 303-995-9090

### A LOOK AHEAD

#### May 3rd

Apogaea Town Hall & Fundraiser

#### May 17th

18th Apogaea Work Weekend at Happy Ass Ranch

#### May 31st - June 1st -

Apogaea Work Weekend with BBQ and Keg provided by Bobolicious and Apogaea Board



### ART DEFENDERS- ARTIST SPOTLIGHT



#### MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

*An interview with Keith Frankel AKA "Mighty Squirrel."*

Story and photos by Torch

Keith Frankel's fingers tugged at his goatee and his eyes went to the world of memory as he told me the story

of how he got started as an artist. "I was very fortunate to have an artistically nurturing mother and live in a thriving artistic community. As a child I visited the Met, MOMA in NYC, and the Philadelphia Art Museum very often. I was also totally blown away with the color and detail I saw in Andrew Wyeth's work at the Brandywine River Museum in rural Pennsylvania. I love that place! I must have visited that tiny museum more than fifty times."

The man who is also known as "Mighty Squirrel" took a quick drag off his cigarette as his eyes lit up. "As early as I can remember, I have been painting and drawing. Much to my parents' dismay making abstract work in Gerber's baby food on the walls and floors of our New York City apartment. I guess my parents decided to give me a crayon at some point.

When I was eight, after the loss of my father, my mom remarried a man with a very creative family. Immediately my step-aunt Helene had me working by her side in the oil medium in her run-down Philadelphia studio. I learned so much from her about color and how to mix paint."

**Torch:** What is it that you feel you are trying to express with your art work today?

**MS:** I try to create powerful visual statements that elicit immediate emotional reactions from viewers. But it is what lies beneath the surface that I hope the viewer appreciates when they walk away.

**Torch:** What is the story behind your painting "Mission Accomplished?"

**MS:** At first glance I imagine the viewer notices the mood conveyed by the calculated use of shrill color. They may be struck by the obvious apocalyptic scenario. But it is my hope that upon further examination it becomes apparent this piece embodies a strong spirit of optimism. Despite loss of hair and lack of oxygen, this varicose and jaundiced subject stands strong with erect posture, head up, and fearless optimism.



**Mission Accomplished**  
*The "Coalition of Corruptions's" impotent attempt: at Machiavellian hegemony*

24 x 24 Oil on canvas with fabricated muriatic treated steel.

1998 Graduate of Tyler School of Art, Philadelphia with a Bachelor's in Fine Art.

## TURN IT UP DUDE, IT'S FREEDOM TALK-

*A Section Devoted To Your Voice*

### HYPOTHERMIA

Hypothermia was a grand collaboration of many people, but several deserve special thanks. DJero, whom I hope you all have a chance to meet someday soon, is a great DJ and an all-around good guy. For Hypothermia, DJero donated some western slope property just outside of Hotchkiss that he and his partner, Wind, own. We were able to create several great spaces over the area of his property and, quite simply, we couldn't have done it without him. DJ Good supplied enthusiasm, amazing DJ skills, and hard working hands to make it happen. Many others kicked in to assist as well. The main house was the chill space. Attendees brought an amazing variety of food which we served on a beautiful wood-fired stove.

Stimulating drink and conversation filled the space well into the night. Outside, a central fire pit area kept us warm and glowing until the wee hours. The main "shed" was the focal point of the evening where favorite DJ's such as DJ Good, DJero, Milk, Jesse, and many more, contributed to a great dance scene. I am constantly amazed at the level of commitment people from the Denver area show by attending an event that was truly a long way from home. You're being there made it worthwhile.  
-Zaphod

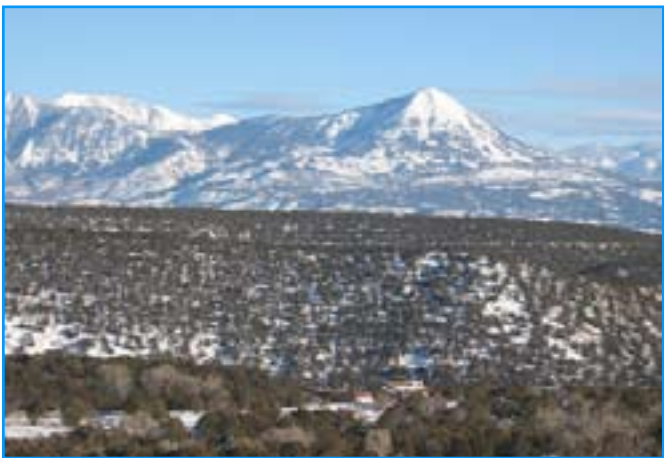


### FREEZINGMAN 2008

We would like to thank everyone for coming out and making Denver's first FREEZINGMAN Winter Art and Music Festival such a great event. For anyone who didn't make it this year we would like to be the first to welcome you to experience this anomaly of the system next year, Stay tuned.

Our multiple projection arrays, geodesic installations, fire sculptures, black light performances, elite sound systems and the participation of the community became an art piece within itself. A special thanks goes out to Odd Todd, F'N Lee, CO, Princess Aries, Milkman, Ahwoo, Vibe Squad, Mikey Fisher, Raja Anada, Jantsen, Budda Bomb, Orange Peel Moses, 303, Vj Dj PixL, Vj Aeon Child, Vj Arison, Faith (our lovely bartender), and tim-E. We couldn't have done it without you!!

-Timmy



## VOLUNTEER AND ANNOUNCEMENT BOARD-

*Important Shit - So Listen Up!!*

### ICE at APOGAEA

Apogaea will be doing ICE sales this year. Ice will be available all weekend for \$2 per bag.

### WANTED: Graphic Designer

The Apogaea Apocrypha is looking for a graphic designer. Interested persons must have InDesign, Adobe Illustrator and Adobe Photoshop and would be available to populate and update the Apocrypha design template every two months. This pays NOTHING! But is Lots Of Fun and a great way to get involved with your community.

Please email [knifechucka\(AT\)apogaea\(DOT\)com](mailto:knifechucka(AT)apogaea(DOT)com) if interested or for more information.

### APOGAEA WANTS YOU!!

Apogaea has been working on some kick-ass swag for Apogaea this year. But to get your hands on it you gotta volunteer. Start thinking about what positions you want to volunteer for.

Check out:  
<http://www.apogaea.com/volunteer.php> for a complete detailed list of all volunteer positions and information on how to sign-up!!

### APOGAEA TICKET SALES

on sale mid-April

**\$50 Pre-Sale**

**\$60 at the Gate**

**Scholarship tickets will be available for \$25**

stay tuned to [www.apogaea.com](http://www.apogaea.com) for details.

### GENERATORS & QUIET HOURS

By popular vote from the community and the Apogaea board, there will be a mandatory **"Quiet Hours"** for sound/theme camps at Apogaea this year.

#### Quiet hours will be 6am - 10am.

This means turn off all generators, and subsequently all amplified music. FOUR - count em 4 glorious hours of peace and quiet - well, at least 4 hours without the megawatts thump of amplified music. That's enough to get a good nap in.

Also don't forget we will be enforcing enclosed generators.

**Generator noise must not exceed 70dB at 10 feet** - that's about as loud as an average passenger car. Any generator that is found to be in violation will be turned off until the noise issue is remedied with better enclosure techniques. We're not trying to be Nazis about this, we just need to make sure everyone is being respectful in such a limited, but beautiful space.

## HAPPY SPRING!!





## THE ADVENTURES OF YOGA MAN

