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**Michael Paul Britto
Carlos Sandoval de Leon
Diane Wah**

July 17 – August 15, 2009

Opening reception, Friday, July 17th, 6 – 8 pm

Number 35 is pleased to present works by New York-based artists Michael Paul Britto, Carlos Sandoval de Leon and Diane Wah.

Born and bred in Brooklyn, Michael Paul Britto began his career as a child, making television shows to amuse his family, with his aunt's VHS camera. In 1999 Britto graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Communications Film and Video, Cum Laude from the City College in New York. A prolific and resourceful artist, Britto creates an average of two projects per month. Completely self taught and trained in desktop editing and imaging, he shoots his own material, edits at home and manipulates the images he collects on his personal computer. Britto's works range from narrative, documentaries and experimental videos, digital photography, sculpture, and performance.

Carlos Sandoval de Leon's work intends to re-charge generic symbols found in everyday commodities. Juxtaposing objects to create double entendres that operate in and out of social environments.

Diane Wah stumbled into visual art and is now an interdisciplinary maker of popular culture. Working in various mediums, fusing elements of photography, sculpture, printmaking and graphic design, she creates interesting, witty, political and always funny alterna-narratives.

Diane Wah is a Haitian-American artist from Queens, NY. She's been living in New York City since 1986. Her work, photography rooted in the documentary tradition, relishes in the profane. In 2005 Diane received her B.A. in Culture and Media Studies from Eugene Lang College at the New School University and in the spring of 2008 she received her M.F.A. in Studio Art/Photography from Columbia University. She has been exhibited at Rush Arts Gallery, the House of Campari and her vagina was reviewed by the New York Times.

Summer gallery hours are Wednesday – Saturday, 12 – 6 pm and by appointment. For more information, please contact Cindy Rucker at 212.388.9311 or cindy@numberthirtyfive.com.