

UNIQUE ART AWARDS CEREMONY TAKING PLACE IN MANHATTAN



NEW YORK—The **Society of Unique Artists** is hosting the first annual **Unique Art Awards** to recognize the most extreme and unique artists and art forms of 2011. The award ceremony, taking place on Saturday July 16, 7 p.m. to 9.30 p.m., in Manhattan, is a move to advance the society's non-profit mission of promoting unique art-forms, and to fill a void in the art world. Winners will be selected in advance by a panel of industry professionals, including *Art World News* Editor in Chief Sarah Seamark, and announced at the event. Art categories are: Food Art, Ice Sculpture, Sand Sculpture, Performing Arts, and Painting. During the evening there will be live performances and demonstrations; among them magician Apollo Riego, Middle to Nowhere Sideshow Freaks, and ventriloquist April Brucker. Body art by Danny Setiawan will also be featured.

Sponsors include Brooklyn Brewery, Montecristo Rum, Montecristo Cigars, 3 Girls Blogging, and VSY Designs. For more information on the ceremony taking place at the Jerome L. Greene Space at 44 Charlton Street (at Varick Street), contact Jacqueline Simon, SUA director, via e-mail at: events@suaartists.org or visit: www.suaartists.org. The ticket price is \$100 that helps pay for the event.