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Black Gossamer
November 17, 2011- February 11, 2012
Columbia College Chicago



Marlon Griffith, *LOUIS* (from the *Powder Box School Girl* series), 2009

Black Gossamer showcases the work of black contemporary artists who use and draw inspiration from clothing, fashion, textiles and fabrications to explore and uncover recent revolutions in black identity. Artists will not only present exciting ways they are working with dress, but also reveal the meanings and hidden codes behind their work – initiating dialogues on the current state of black culture, emerging trajectories within it and their implications.

Exhibiting Artists Include:

Aisha Bell
Sheila Bridges
Myra Greene
Marlon Griffith
Krisanne Johnson
Kalup Linzy
Wangechi Mutu
Ebony G. Patterson

Curated by: Camille Morgan

WHEN: November 17, 2011 - February 17, 2012
Reception: November 17, 2011, 5pm – 8pm

WHERE: Columbia College Chicago's Glass Curtain Gallery, 1104 S. Wabash

GALLERY HOURS: Monday – Wednesday & Friday 9am – 5pm
Thursday – 9am – 7pm
Saturday – 12pm - 5pm

COST: Free and open to the public.

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RELATED PROGRAMMING:

November 18: "Taboo Fashion and Chameleon Identities" Gallery Artist Talk with Artists Aisha Bell and Ebony G. Patterson, 11-12:30pm.

November 22: Critical Encounters Cafe Society discussion with artist Myra Greene and Curator, 4-6pm.

February 1: Closing Reception - African American Heritage Month Kickoff Celebration, 5:30 - 7:30pm.

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