

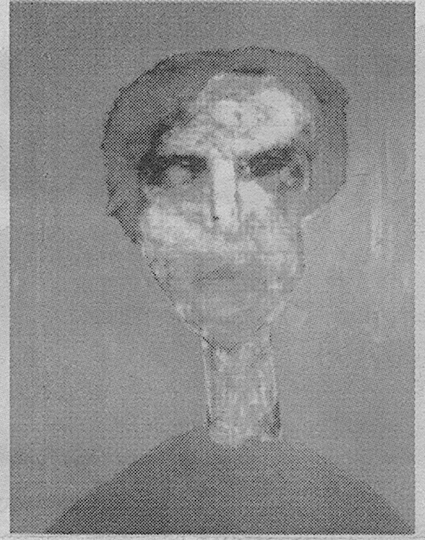
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"Red Tears" 40" x 30"



"Lupus" 48" x 36"



"Sarah" 77" x 66 1/4"

17.) What was the most gratifying response you ever received to one of your paintings?

I'd have to say it was winning a prize in 1992 from the head curator of the Guggenheim while I was showing at the Boca Raton Museum. I really felt validated.

18.) Who are your collectors?

I suppose because I've been somewhat influenced by the German expressionist school, many of my collectors tend to be Europeans. Right now I have about 20 German and 27 Dutch collectors.

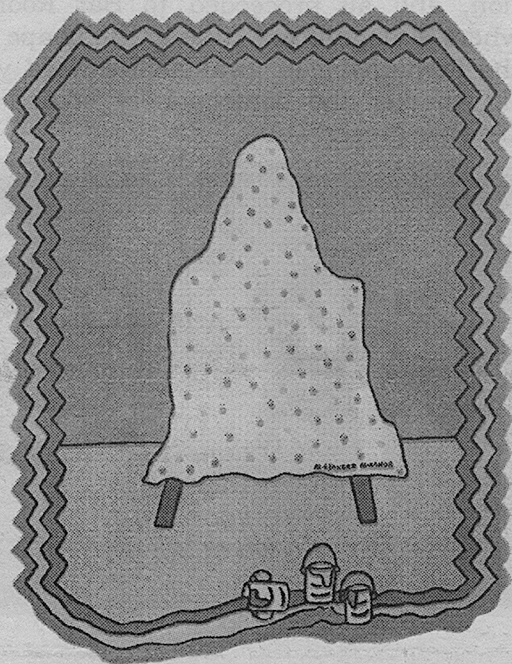
19.) If you had it do all over again, would you be a painter?

Of course! Painting is something I can and will do forever.

20.) What is your impression of Miami's artistic community?

It's changed quite a bit over the past 10 years—it's become quite sophisticated; there are a lot of really good artists working here now.

Norman Liebman's work will be on view from April 25-June 20 at the Coral Springs Museum of Art, 2855 Coral Springs Drive, Coral Springs—opening reception: Sunday, April 25, 5-7 p.m. For more information, call (954) 340-4200.



Norman Liebman will also be participating in the American Diabetes Association's Celebrity Art Auction and Gala, an event where local prominent artists are paired with celebrities to create original artwork that is then auctioned off at a special black-tie gala.

The participating artists tutor the "celebrity artists" in oil painting, watercolor, sculpture, or mixed media. The celebrity then creates an original piece, signs it, and donates it to the auction. The tutor artist also donates an original piece.

Norman Liebman will be paired with Telemundo's

general manager **Luis Fernandez-Rocha**. Other tutor artists include **Alejandro Miranda**, **Julio Larraz**, **Michael Vollbracht**, **Anastasia**, **Howard Austin Feld**, **Ned Bowman**, **Stephen Rathert**, and **Anne Hemingway Feuer**. Celebrity artists are **Mikhail Baryshnikov**, leading diabetes researcher **Dr. Jay Skyler**, and British Embassy-Consul **Robin Bayliss**.

The gala will be held on Friday, April 30 at the Hotel Inter-Continental in downtown Miami. Tickets are \$200. For more information, call the American Diabetes Association at 305-477-8999.

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Celebrity Art Auction

Artist Rogelio Pretto Re-emerges into Miami's Art World

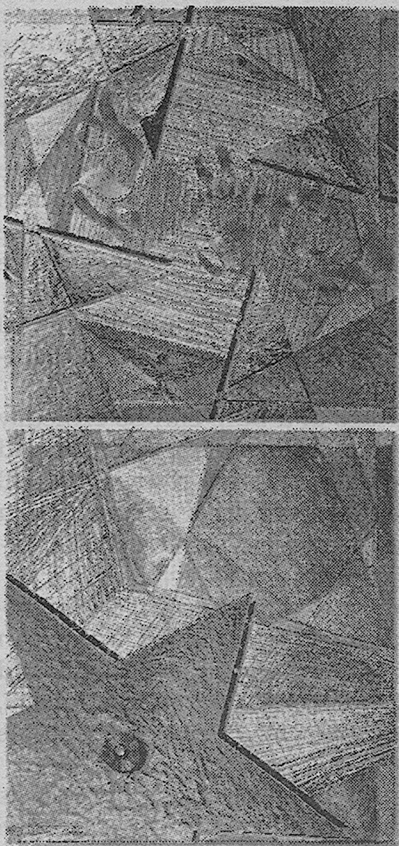
Understanding "the juncture where self and the universe meet" has been the passion behind Panamanian-born artist Rogelio Pretto's work since its inception; in his current exhibition at D.A.N.A. Gallery in Coral Gables,

Infinito, this focus has found bold and vibrant new expression.

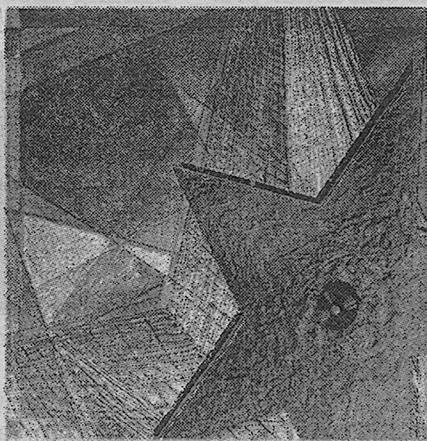
In this new show, Pretto offers us a dazzling display of large-scale, semi-abstract works which, with liberal use of relief, play mesmerizing tricks on our perception of space. Through an exciting array of bright and playfully textured landscapes, the artist seeks to find a connection between the most mundane of objects—the container your takeout food came in, swimming goggles, a child's favorite plastic toy—and their place in the cosmos. At the same time, the collection celebrates the fact that infinity, by definition, cannot be contained. Each work is made up of two or more modular panels which

are designed to be randomly rotated and/or interchanged with others. The freedom to view the units in many positions breaks the boundaries of any fixed conception of the work: each new placement imbues any given panel, and thereby the exhibit as a whole, with a different meaning. With *Infinito*, Pretto is re-emerging into the Miami art scene with a celebratory message: Infinity is here, and we are all in it.

"Infinito" will run from May 7 through May 30 at D.A.N.A. Gallery of Coral Gables. The opening reception will take place May 7, from 7 to 10 p.m. at D.A.N.A. Gallery, 3080 SW 38th Court, Coral Gables. For more information, call 305-448-1545.



"Internet", mixed media, 48" x 97"



"Harmonic Convergence-2", diptych, acrylic on canvas, 66" x 122"