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## LESLIE LASKEY: Work

March 14 – April 19, 2008

Opening Reception: Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, from 6 to 9 pm

Bruno David Gallery is pleased to announce an exhibition by **Leslie Laskey** in three parts. PORTRAITS (Front Room), HINGE (Main Gallery), WOODLAND SKETCHES (Project Room). In the New Media Room, an excerpt of a documentary directed by David and Lulu Wild currently on production will show Leslie working in his studio.

In the hit-or-miss world of contemporary art, longevity in itself is a virtue. Leslie Laskey's lengthy biography can at times read like the artistic history of the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> century. Now in his eighties, Laskey remains a working artist—and a central and engaging one at that. Longevity is one thing, but combine that with integrity and a drive to continually advance contemporary art and you have an (St. Louis) artist who has long been in our midst and deserves our admiration.



Leslie Laskey demonstrates again that working in the studio is crucial to a creative mind and longevity. His new work explores and engages us in images found in things and places. Showing us how they work, finding sensuality in surfaces and rich mystifying colors. Laskey never separates his art from its viewer as he always engages them in the process of his work.

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Born in Michigan in 1921, Laskey served in a combat unit in Europe and was among the troops that landed on Omaha Beach early on 1944 D-Day. Leslie Laskey is Professor Emeritus of Architecture at Washington University in St. Louis. Laskey studied at the Institute of Design in Chicago (now the Illinois Institute of Technology) with founder and American Bauhaus pioneer Lászlò Moholy-Nagy and Indiana University. He currently divides his time between St. Louis and Manistee, Michigan.

A fully illustrated catalogue with an essay by Robert Duffy accompanies this exhibition.

For further information, please contact the gallery.

Top Image: Leslie Laskey: *Hinge III*, 2007,  
Acrylic on board, 47 x 57 inches. Courtesy of the artist  
and Bruno David Gallery.

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Bruno David Gallery is a contemporary art gallery representing the best artists that Saint Louis has to offer, along with artists of national and international reputation. The gallery is located in the heart of the Grand Center arts district, directly opposite the Pulitzer Foundation for the Arts and the Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis..

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