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## **AROUND THE GALLERIES**

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### **Hanging on to sensuous summer**

As the heat of summer lingers stubbornly past the theoretical finish line of Labor Day, it seems appropriate that "Sex in Deep Space" – a wonderfully voluptuous group show at City Gallery in West Hollywood - - was extended three weeks past its original closing date. With a cheerful ensemble of beach ball colors and playfully sensual textures, the show embodies just the sort of easy pleasure one tends to associate with the season – and finds so difficult to abandon come September.

Curate by Marc Arranaga and Chip Tom, the show brings together five artists notable for conscientious craftsmanship and a close attention to materials. **Diana Cohen**, one of the more inspired of those currently working in the trash aesthetic, stitches plastic shopping bags into gorgeous multicolored quilts. **Jason Eoff** uses resin in his paintings to create smooth, glossy surfaces and a stirring intensity of hue.

**Michael Salerno** layers color through a sort of speckling process, while **David Alan Peters** carves into multiple layers of paint to create rainbow-colored pockets of bas relief amid fields of white and black. **Barrie Goshko's** images of flowers against vivid backgrounds of yellow, periwinkle and eggplant purple – the only photographic works in the show - are erotic without seeming obvious or cheap.

**City Gallery**, 8444 Melrose Ave., West Hollywood, (323) 658-1085, through Sept. 20. Closed Sundays and Mondays.