

Real Fine Arts Presents:
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Heart Paintings
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The convenience store around the corner from my apartment sells magazines.

Whenever I go there to buy beer, cigarettes, toilet paper, garbage bags, or use the ATM, I look to see what new titles are in.

Some of my favorites magazines they sell there are:

- Vanity fair
- Interview
- Maxim
- Details
- Dazed and Confused
- New York
- Esquire
- Vogue
- Elle
- Tokion
- Teen Vogue
- Harper's Bazaar
- ID
- Rolling Stone
- Spin

About 6 months ago, I started collecting pages from magazines and cutting them into heart shapes. Most of the pages are from ads or full- page photographs/illustrations. Not much text. I tried to steer clear of any images that had any "real world" consequence. I tried to stick to what I know.

I turned this collection of images into a 250 page book, which I put out in October, 2008. It's now out of print, so to speak, mainly because I gave most of them away. I have maybe two left.

The paintings in this show are based upon the book.

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