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David Richardson in Georgetown,
Washington, D.C.
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David Richardson: *Trojan War Years* October 6 - December 31, 2010

David Richardson has painted three important series of pictures in the last decade. The first is the Trojan War Series that not only precedes the other series but also continues to manifest. The impetus for the series came while he lived in Japan. Wandering around Tokyo, Richardson noticed stone markers on temples, civic buildings, and businesses marked in Kanji. He could not read the inscriptions but somehow the shape and placement of the markers impressed him deeply. When he returned to the U.S. he painted a rough sketch from memory titled *Stone Monuments*, and that was the beginning of the Trojan War Series.

Richardson is an artist who takes his literature seriously. He speaks of, "Big literature—Dickens, Remarque, Fitzgerald, Dostoyevsky, Camus, Manning, Poe, Twain, Eliot—were authors I read, some as early as twelve. I was introduced to Homer in college and the mortal characters mesmerized me. Homer's mortals are mythic, heroic and fraught with idiosyncrasies and contradictions. Homer's characters stuck to me and these years later I went back to them to title my paintings."

Private Reception with the Artist Wednesday, October 6, 2010 6:00 - 8:00 PM

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