

## Davis Orton Gallery

*contemporary photography, mixed media and artist-published photobooks*

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### “Corn Dogs, Blue Ribbons and the American Pastoral”

The Davis Orton Gallery presents: “Corn Dogs, Blue Ribbons and the American Pastoral” by photographer Meg Birnbaum – selected images from her series of black and white photographs of county fairs throughout the Northeast made using a plastic toy camera. These evocative images with their antique quality and timeless subjects signal their contemporary origins with little surprises of signage and style throughout the series.

“Fairs are a complicated balance of startling innocence and huckster sleaze,” Birnbaum says. “All the disparate elements of a county fair exist in harmony against a backdrop of screams, bells and whistles, mixed with the pungent essence of livestock and the aroma of fried food.”

The exhibition will be on view September 11 – October 18.

A reception for the artist will take place on Saturday, September 12 from 5:30 to 7:30.

Meg Birnbaum is an award-winning fine art photographer and graphic designer based in Massachusetts. She has work in the permanent collection at the Museum of Fine Art, Houston, the corporate program of the DeCordova Museum and the art collection of Meditech Corporation. Corn Dogs and Blue Ribbons has been exhibited at the Griffin Museum of Photography.

The Davis Orton Gallery on Hudson’s historic Warren Street exhibits contemporary photography, mixed media and a growing number of artist-published photo books. The goal of the gallery is to present mid-career artists and emerging artists whose work deserves a broader audience.

Davis Orton Gallery is located at 114 Warren St. in Hudson.

Gallery hours are Friday through Sunday from noon to 5:30 p.m. and by appointment.

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