

Hypnagogic Art

Painting: "Now you Look Better!" A muscular guy (looks like Superman) stands in the center of a room. He has black hair, is wearing a red shirt, very light green pants, workman's black shoes. On the floor to the left of his feet is a small, soft, pink blanket, so woolly that we can even see a few of the spiny fibers sticking up. At his right is a bright yellow-white glow apparently emanating from another room where, we sense, strange, perhaps pathetic, activity is taking place on the part of a child as a result of what transpired in the moments before the scene being depicted. The guy speaks the words of the title into that room.

Photo: A corral or paddock. We are looking along the top of a wooden railing which runs directly away from us. At the far corner the railing runs toward the right. Low trees to the left and the rear. The paddock itself is empty. A few feet from us, sitting on the railing and facing us, is a wolf (not a dog) with a large green ribbon tied in a bow around its neck.

Painting: "Can We React...Red?" A vast plaza. At one end a kind of very wide sidewalk. In this sidewalk, a few feet from the curb, is a rectangular opening, say 2' X 1', Inside the opening is a man's head. It sticks up from the sheet of rubber which otherwise covers the opening, the sheet being about 4 inches below the level of the sidewalk. The man is in his early thirties, has blond hair. Another man, apparently a passer-by, is looking down at the first, hands in pockets. The man in the opening speaks the words of the title.