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The Lookout: A Weekly Guide to Shows You Won't Want to Miss

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Matthew Benedict at Alexander and Bonin, through Mar. 9



The Knives (Six of Swords, The Lord of Earned Success), 2010

At once nostalgic and futuristic, Matthew Benedict's "Americana" features recent paintings, sculptures and installations that form an evocative environment drawing on fictional sources—an H.P. Lovecraft story, in one case—as well as the history of the artist's native New England. At his best, Benedict uses real antiques and contemporary imagery to convey a kind of personal mythology.