



Mark Jeffrey, *Now Playing*, Oil on canvas, 9 x 12" in, 2012

## RUMI GALLERIES

### NORTHERN LIGHT

MARK JEFFREY

November 29 – December 20, 2012

Rumi Galleries is pleased to present *Northern Light*, an exhibition of recent works by Mark Jeffrey.

*Northern Light* expresses the classic Ontario duality between urban and rural. Mark Jeffrey has spent the last year doing what many in the Golden Horseshoe do on a regular basis, escape to the wilderness. Ever present throughout his work is the dichotomy of everyday life and impending urban sprawl. Children are depicted playing hockey with ghostlike outlines of houses encroaching upon their pond, trees are scratched into paint as if they were shadows of a previous landscape and simple moments in life are imbued with a solemn undertone. This imagery, a cornerstone of Mark's work, is juxtaposed in *Northern Light* with rural depictions of Northern Ontario as an expression of escape from the impending urban sprawl; an escape that Mark has experienced firsthand by exploring the landscape surrounding his family's cottage.

Please join us November 29 – December 20, 2012 to celebrate the work of a very talented local artist, Mark Jeffrey.