

# SO THIS IS IT

Anthony Lewellen, recent work  
August 5 – September 9, 2006



**"Parting Ways"**

acrylic and spray enamel on cut plywood  
40" x 47" (2006)



**"Things I wish I said"**

acrylic and spray enamel on wood  
23 " x 33" (2006)

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Opening Reception Saturday August 5, 2006  
7-11 pm

#### 13th District Gallery

1706 West Chicago, Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60622

Anthony Lewellen  
b. 1971, Chicago

Also known as "Antck," Lewellen is a Chicago-based artist who since the late 1980's has graced the walls – both private and public – of his city and beyond with a simple, bold palette and compelling, often pensive characters. Over the last decade, he has experimented with various methods and media, employing markers, spray paint, enamels, and acrylics. With wood, steel, and other found objects his surfaces of choice, he has solidified his status as an innovator within the pantheon of Midwest graffiti culture, at the same time finding his place within the realm of gallery exhibitions.

"I am naturally drawn to surfaces I find in alleys and behind buildings," says Lewellen. "It is important to me that the material I am working with has had a life of its own before I get to it. When I was a kid I would find pencils in the street and I always felt I drew better with those pencils as opposed to the ones that were new out of the package. Actually, I still do that."

As an artist Lewellen portrays the current aesthetic of urban living with transcendent force. Recently having his first solo exhibition in New York this will be Anthony's first showing of this scale in the city that has been the impetus for much of his work.

For more information or to arrange for an interview with Anthony Lewellen, please contact Lisa Lapczynski, 312-491-1905 or [lisa@art-of-designs.com](mailto:lisa@art-of-designs.com)

13th District Gallery is located near the corner of Chicago and Ashland Opening reception is Saturday August 5, 2006 7-11 pm. The artist will be present. Music provided by DJ Tevo Howard. Refreshments will be served. No cover. Gallery Hours are by appointment. Additional info can be found at [www.alewellen.com](http://www.alewellen.com)

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