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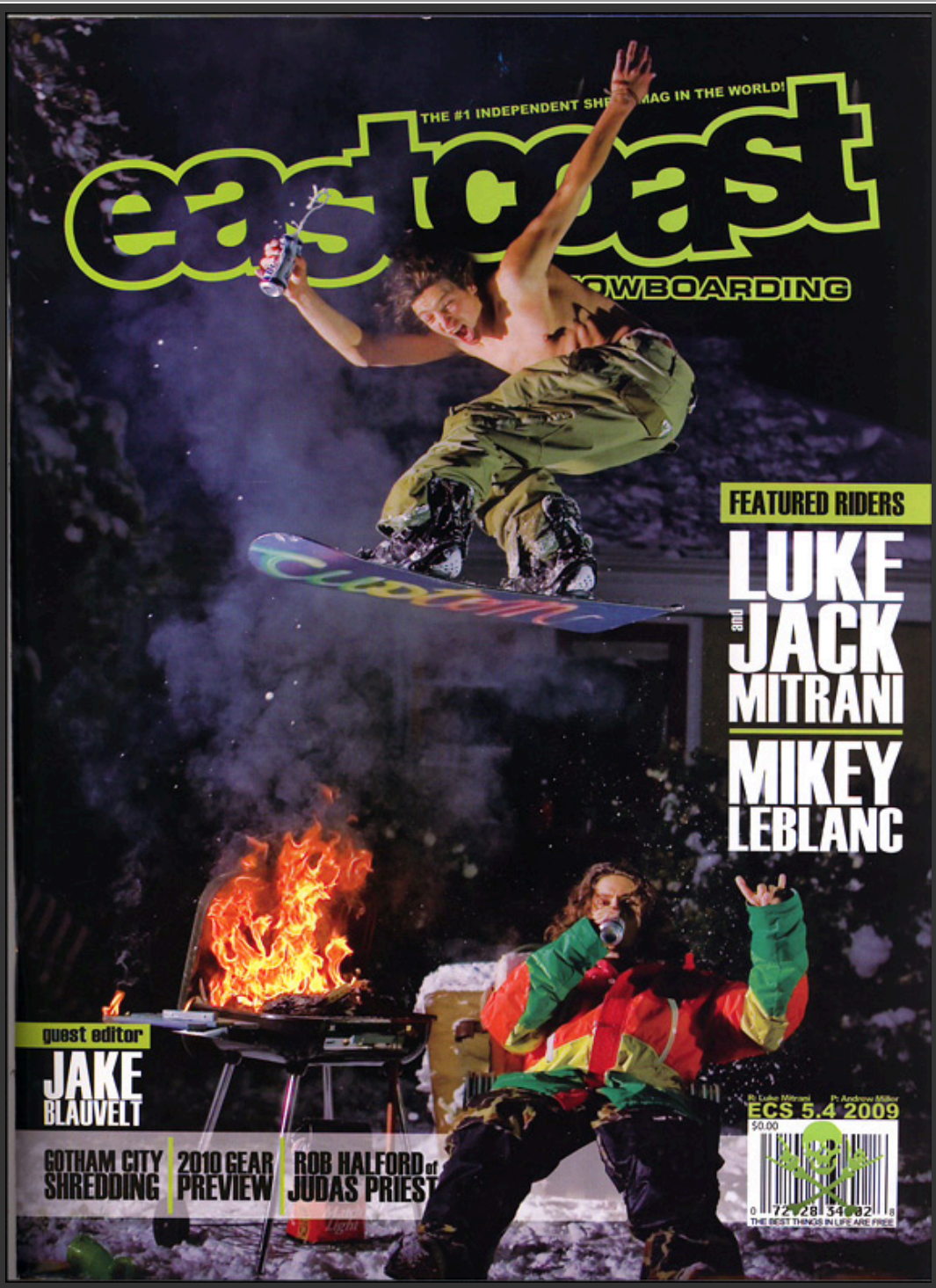


MATT SESOW ART



Howdy, this is Matt Sesow. I am a full-time painter living off my art in Washington, D.C. I got started with the paints back in 1994 as a goof and a way to impress the ladies. At the time, I was already gainfully employed in the soul-sucking world of corporate America as a computer jockey. I never wanted to be, nor thought of myself as a painter. I would have rather turned up as the lead for some righteous anarchist band... but alas, I don't have all my phalanges and I can't sing worth shit, so painting is my preferred method of expression. I liked the reactions I got from people and the "I suck but I don't care" feeling which painting provided. Compared to my computer gig, a career in painting seemed to everybody else like a wet blanket on a cold night. The trick for me was that the cold blanket was electric...I'll probably die from the shock, but if I don't, I'll be warmer than everybody else eventually.



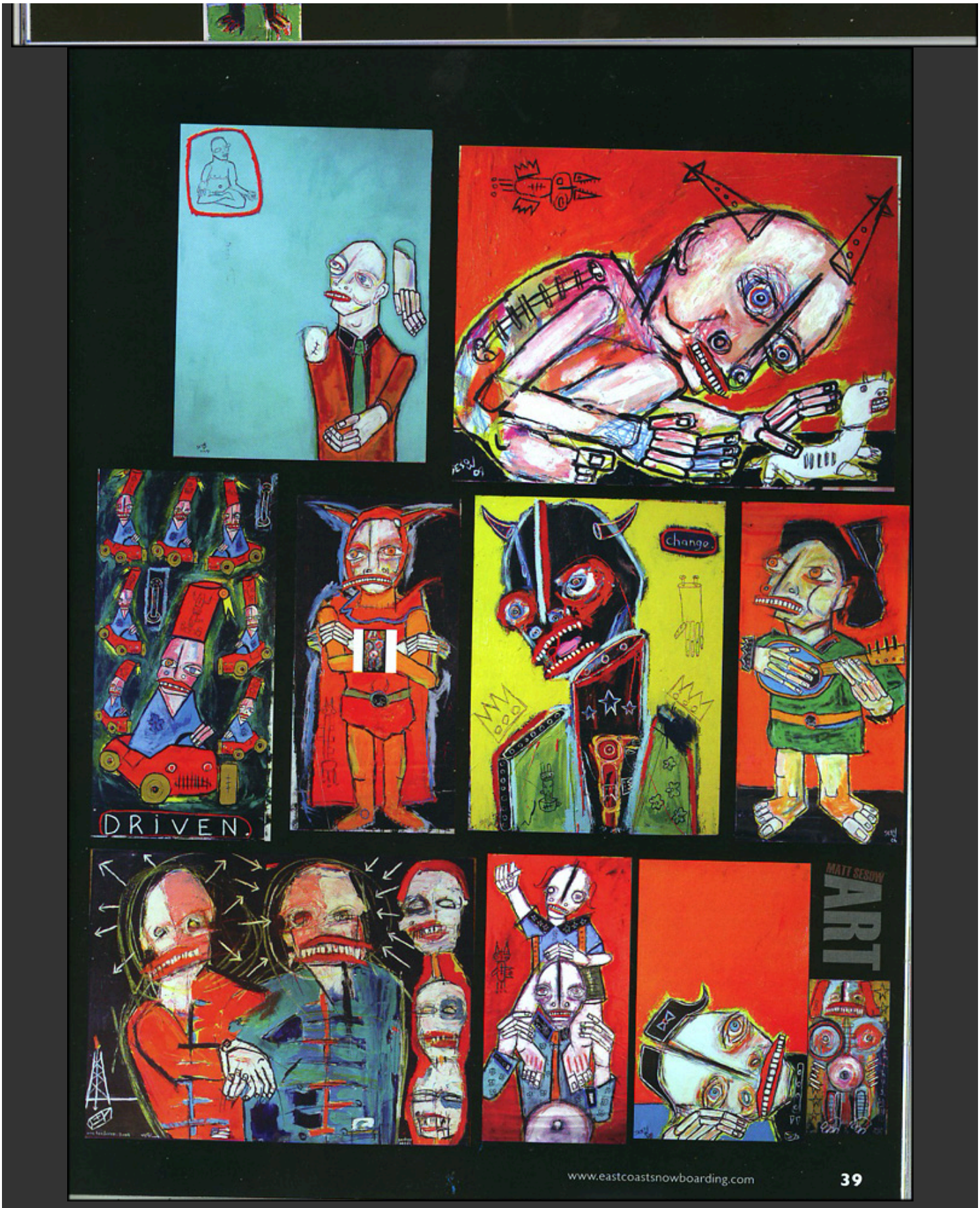
Painting isn't just a living for me; it's also the way in which I am able to express some hidden, nasty feelings about being hit by an airplane when I was eight years old in Nebraska. Yup, I got tackled by a landing propelled airplane whilst playing on a grassy runway one beautiful summer evening. It/the plane severed my left arm, my dominant hand. It sucked, but my experiences with "it" has turned me into the fired-up prolific painter that I am today.

I live and paint amongst the epicenter of political nausea that is Washington, D.C. My place is a 600 sq. ft. functional playground of eat/sleep/shit/paint. Each day I get up, commute 3 feet to an unfinished canvas, and wallow the day away- pushing bright colors around until they tell a compelling story. Some mornings my head hurts from too much drinking, so maybe I'll get on the computer or mail some paintings that I sold off my website at www.sesow.com

Please feel free to visit my website... or email me... or make sure to add my studio to your "places of interest" when visiting Washington D.C. on your next holiday. Thanks for looking!

Your pal,
Matt Sesow.





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