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Everybody, put your Sixth Borough earmuffs on, because the drilling is going to start all over again, albeit this time in a more rarified, slightly less *Gilmore Girls*-resonating style: The *Times* just discovered Space 1026, Zoe Strauss, Virgil Marti, Will Pym, Alex Da Corte and everybody else cool in the Philly art scene. Listen closely, and you'll hear the alt-weekly critics in town *freaking out and crying*. [NYT]

Meanwhile, back here at home, in case you missed the press conference at 10am, Philagrafika 2010, the festival of printmaking, had a major announcement: **José Roca** has been named artistic director. Read more about it on their site. [Philagrafika]

And congrats to the folks at the experimental music presenting group Bowerbird: They've partnered with the Philadelphia Society for the Preservation of Landmarks for a series of First Friday concerts - the first will be on December 1, 2006 in the historic ballroom of the **Powel House Museum**. Dig it. [Bowerbird]

**BONUS ROUND: Minnow**, the skate-plus shop where you'll find many a Space 1026-er at play, is having an auction for the Skateboard Scholarship in which hand-painted decks by Philly artists are signed by the likes of **Dave Chappelle**, **Joe Frazier**, **Ray Barbee** and **Shane MacGowan**. Check the eBay auction here. [Minnow/eBay]

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