

The Kitchen Center for Video and Music

press release

MICHAEL SMITH

THE SECRET HORROR

Sept 30-Nov 1
Tues-Sat, 3-5pm
484 Broome St.
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A Surrealistic Comedy

- written & performed by Michael Smith
- directed by Mark Fischer

Michael Smith will be one of the Three Tape Comedians presented in The Kitchen's Video Viewing Room during October. The show will run from September 30 through November 1, Tuesday through Saturday beginning at 3pm. There will also be a special Evening Screening on October 12 at 8:30pm.

"The Secret Horror" is a story about this character named 'Mike' who wakes up in the middle of the night to find a never-seen-before grid-type ceiling hovering over his head. Of course Mike is curious about this new addition to his house and wonders how it got there. However, the next day it becomes clear that a number of tall sheeted spooks are responsible. They arrive at Mike's house in full force and take him off on a thematic journey to a place somewhere between initiation and renovation. Dancing, marching and general harassment seem to be on the itinerary for this expedition to and from Mike's house.

MICHAEL SMITH has performed extensively around the U.S. and in Europe. In 1978 he received an Artist Fellowship in performance from the National Endowment for the Arts. In early 1981 Smith will host a weekly cable TV show called "It Starts at Home".

MARK FISCHER has been involved in video production for the past five years. Since 1977 he has worked in the video department at the School of the Visual Arts. In late 1980 Fischer will manage an independent service -- called Roughcut -- for video production and post-production.

