

# THE Listings

**CARMEN CICERO**, June Kelly, 591 Broadway, near Houston Street, (212) 226-1660, through Dec. 14. Mr. Cicero's cartoonish, easel-size narrative paintings combine humor, gothic mystery and Magritte-style surrealism. In some, men in trench-coats and fedoras walk through landscapes of dreamlike desolation or drive old cars on nocturnal country roads; in others emblematic images like a knight's helmet or a locomotive hover like mystical signs. Mr. Cicero is not an Outsider — he has been exhibiting his art since the early 50's and earned a M.F.A. degree in 1991 — but his work has the hair-raising feeling of a self-taught visionary's.

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Fred R. Conrad/The New York Times ("Tannhäuser"); Paramount Pictures ("SpongeBob"); June Kelly Gallery (Cicero)

**MUSIC, MOVIES AND ART** Above left, the tenor Peter Seiffert in the title role of Wagner's "Tannhäuser" at the Metropolitan Opera House. Page 29. Top left, Neptune and SpongeBob in the animated "SpongeBob