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US STREET ARTIST MONOPOLISES LONDON

First Solo UK show for Alec Monopoly

Private View, Thursday 28 November, 2013

Do not pass go and do not collect £200 until you check out the bad boy of board-game inspired art, the American street artist and painter **Alec Monopoly**. Known for his satirical urban artwork featuring Uncle Pennybags (the bloke off the Monopoly box), Alec Monopoly will be creating art on the streets of London this week, prior to the opening of his first UK solo show at **Mead Carney Gallery** in Mayfair.



The artist arrives in London fresh from creating a limited edition artwork for the **2013 MTV European Music Awards**, which is currently being displayed in the homes of Miley Cyrus, Robin Thicke, Snoop Dogg and Iggy Azalea, not forgetting the hottest man of the moment, the Anchorman himself, Ron Burgundy.

The London show, titled **Luxury Tax**, comments on the themes of luxury, wealth, excess, 'extreme capitalism' and the causation and economic consequence of the 2008 global financial meltdown. On his work the artist comments: "*I created this body of work titled **Luxury Tax** inspired by the*

ridiculousness and outrageousness that extreme wealth often brings out in the world, but also I hope my works inspire people to dream bigger and aspire for success."

While collaborations with Madonna, Adrien Brody and Avicii have led to sold out exhibitions all over the world, the artist's street pieces ensure his work remains front and centre for a generation of urban art enthusiasts.

Luxury Tax is open to the public between 29 November 2013 and 11 January 2014 at Mead Carney Gallery, 45 Dover Street, London www.meadcarney.com

For interview requests or to be added to the guest list for the private view on 28 November, please contact Jo Brooks job@jb-pr.com or Clare Croome (clare@jb-pr.com) 01273 622555