

Artist E.V. Day Unveils BDSM Barbie

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E.V. Day's *Mummified Barbie (Silver)* (2008). Courtesy of Cheim & Read

To while away their childhood hours, some girls play ball, others form rock bands, and others still dress their dolls in high fashion, sometimes with a twist — Punky Brewster meets Marilyn Manson, maybe. E.V. Day, a Brooklyn-based sculptor, incorporates all these "girlie" sensibilities, setting fire to feminine style or, here, turning a sultry-eyed Barbie into a glamorous bondage model. Her *Mummified Barbie* hangs amid a fantastic group show at Cheim & Read through August 29. —*Emma Pearse*