



**STUDIO MONTCLAIR OFFERS  
A Talk with Robert Koenig, Curator of Studio Montclair's Exhibition  
"State of the Art 2012"**

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Robert Koenig, curator of "State of the Art 2012," an exhibition of Studio Montclair Inc. (SMI) members' recent work, will give a talk **Thursday, March 8, from 6 to 9 pm** at the main branch of the Montclair Public Library, 50 South Fullerton Avenue in Montclair, NJ. Koenig will offer a glimpse into the mind of the curator and his process. The evening will include Q and A, discussion, and a reception. The presentation will begin at 6:30 pm.

"Montclair was an art colony in the nineteenth century. To judge by this exhibition and the spread of the membership of SMI, it remains one in the twenty first," says Koenig. Koenig is Director of The African Art Museum of the SMA Fathers in Tenafly, N.J., and former Director of the Montclair Art Museum.

"State of the Art 2012" includes the work in a variety of styles and media from 75 SMI members. The exhibit is on view through April 11 at the SMI Gallery @ Academy Square and the SMI Virginia S. Block Gallery, located on the first and second floors of Academy Square, 33 Plymouth Street in Montclair. The galleries are open to the public 7 am to 7 pm Monday through Friday.

Studio Montclair Inc. is a non-profit organization of exhibiting professional and emerging artists and others interested in the visual arts. The mission of the organization is to promote culture and education in the visual arts.

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**Listing Information About the Program:**

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**Program Date:** March 8, 2012, 6 to 9 pm

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