

CULTURE IN BRIEF: STUDIO MONTCLAIR INC. OPENS EXHIBITION TONIGHT

February 9, 2018

"Bullseye," wire and pantyhose, 33x27x6, by Katie Truk. COURTESY STUDIO MONTCLAIR

Studio Montclair (SMI) presents the exhibit, "Making as Thinking," on view from Feb. 9 through March 29, at their new Studio Montclair Gallery, 127 Bloomfield Ave.

An opening reception, with refreshments provided by Halstead Property, will be held on Friday, Feb. 9, 2018 from 7 to 9 p.m. This will be the first exhibit held in the new space.

The show features work in a variety of visual media including sculpture, painting, drawing, and mixed media. All the work, whether abstract, representational or whimsical, is infused with a sense of mystery and purpose that invites multiple viewings.

Curator Todd Lambrix says in a release, "As I chose the work, I could almost see the process or feel the emotion propelling the making. This making seems to function as both the process and the thinking, and the resulting works have a layered, open flexibility to them. Ultimately, this body of work creates a narrative that has an undeniable connection rooted in a collected unconscious. It is hopeful and bleak, somber and energetic, searching yet grounded."

Participating Artists:

Alaine Becker, Mona Brody, Kathy Cantwell, Nora Chavooshian, RitaMarie Cimini, Lorraine Deprosopo, Alison Golder, Alyce Gottesman, Sheila Grabarsky, Beth Heit, Linda Brooks Hirshman, Michelle Kurlan, Wendy Letven, Susan Lisbin, Maria Lupo, Madalyn Marcus, Natalya Tali Margolin, Theda Sandiford, Katie Truk, Becky Yazdan

Curator:

Todd Lambrix is a multi-disciplinary artist living and working in Hunterdon County, New Jersey. He has an MFA in Sculpture from the Rhode Island School of Design and a BFA in Painting from Rutgers University. He is a full time Professor of Fine Arts at Parsons School of Design in Manhattan. Todd's work looks to the wonderment associated with early naturalists and their understanding of the world as well as the narratives and behaviors of the collector mentality.

About Studio Montclair:

Studio Montclair Inc. is a non-profit organization of exhibiting professional and emerging artists and others interested in the visual arts. In the past year, it has exhibited more than 280 works of art and has encouraged and interacted with close to 1,000 artists.

For more information, visit studiomontclair.org.