

John Waguespack Exhibits 'New Works' at 111 Minna Gallery

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Nov. 8, 2012 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – Having just been selected as one of nine artists nationwide to be showcased at Art Basel Miami in December 2012, in conjunction with Russell Simmons' Rush Philanthropic Arts Foundation and the Bombay Sapphire Artisan Series, John Waguespack will exhibit his "New Works" at 111 Minna Gallery November 16, 2012 through January 26, 2013.

Opening Reception is November 16 from 5 p.m. until late. Register for the event at <http://jwagart.eventbrite.com/> .

"We are very excited to feature Waguespack's most recent creations as he prepares to represent San Francisco at Art Basel Miami – one of the world's premier art events. At 111 Minna Gallery, we have created an 'art salon' that offers today's collector a unique experience. Within our industrial space, art aficionados converge to view the cutting-edge work of local and international emerging artists in an interactive and spirited atmosphere that invites dialogue about the meaning of art in our culture," explains Curator Micah LeBrun.

A firm believer that the creative spirit cannot be caged or limited, Waguespack follows his instincts and moods to create very distinct collections of art. "As an artist, I never want to stop experimenting. Every time I work on a piece, I want to either add something new or learn something. I think great art can be born in moments of madness, compulsion, and impulsiveness," describes John. "I am excited to showcase works that have been created through this experimental process at 111 Minna Gallery. I feel 111 Minna patrons and collectors will appreciate the diversity in the works as well as the dynamic process by which each piece has come to life."

What: Solo Exhibition: John Waguespack: "New Works."

Where: 111 Minna Gallery, 111 Minna Street, San Francisco, CA 94105.

Exhibition Dates: November 16, 2012 – January 26, 2013.

Opening Reception: Friday, November 16, 5 p.m. – Late.

About "New Works":

New Works represents the broad scope of Waguespack's talent as an artist. Highlighting the exhibit is "Pause," an ethereal portrait of Kate Moss looking toward heaven. The haunting portrait is interwoven with abstract layers of acrylic and oil crafted to give texture and dimension to this otherworldly piece.

Another standout is "Giant," which combines the artist's linear and deconstruction styles, to produce a powerful depiction of Hollywood icon James Dean in the movie, "Giant." Waguespack takes a fine art approach to what might be produced digitally to emphasize the human hand in art, celebrating human creativity and imperfection, marked by the subtle lack of

symmetry of the lines.

About John Waguespack:

From the rooftop of his home in San Francisco, Waguespack creates paintings, which often incorporate pop-art icons to address political issues of today and the '70s. His cutting-edge work ranges from visual commentaries on important moments and movements in U.S. history to abstract expressionism, deconstruction, linear and pop surrealism. Waguespack has been featured on the cover of San Francisco's 7x7 Magazine.

About 111 Minna Gallery:

Established in 1993 in downtown San Francisco, 111 Minna Gallery is in the business of art and leisure. The gallery showcases a unique blend of local and international artists, world class DJ's, live performances, and film screenings in an elegantly urban and ever-changing 4,000-square-foot space. The gallery is open to the public nightly and on a rotating schedule for special events. For more information about 111 Minna Gallery contact art@111minnagallery.com or call (415) 974-1719.

Supporting Resources:

- * John Waguespack Website www.jwagart.com .
- * 111 Minna Gallery Website www.111minnagallery.com .
- * Register for Opening Reception <http://jwagart.eventbrite.com> .

NOTE TO EDITORS: The public is invited to the Opening Night Reception for John Waguespack's "New Works" exhibition at 111 Minna Gallery on November 16, 2012 from 5 p.m. until late.

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