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American Abstract Artists

75th Anniversary

May 21 – July 15, 2011

Opening reception: Wednesday, May 25, 2011 5:30 – 7:30 pm.

OK Harris is pleased to present *American Abstract Artists: 75th Anniversary*.

This exhibition of the American Abstract Artists (AAA) celebrates 75 years of an important and active artists group. It will feature work from over 75 current members of the organization as well as ephemera representing some of the group's past history. Works displayed will cover a range of mediums, including painting, drawing, photography, watercolor, and sculpture.

From its inception in 1936 American Abstract Artists has been dedicated to promoting the exposure and understanding of both abstract and non-objective art. Through its various public programs over the past seventy five years - organizing member exhibitions, producing member print portfolios and catalogues, distributing published materials to cultural organizations worldwide, documenting member history in the Archives of American Art, hosting numerous critical panels and symposia and periodically publishing a journal - the AAA has remained a vital and democratic force in the history of American art.

Artists included in the exhibition are Alice Adams, Richard Anuszkiewicz, Martin Ball, Will Barnett, Siri Berg, Emily Berger, Susan Bonfils, Sharon Brant, Henry Brown, Kenneth Bushnell, James Clark, Mark Dagley, Tom Doyle, Tom Evans, Gabriele Evertz, Vito Giacalone, John Goodyear, Gail Gregg, James Gross, Heidi Gluck, Lynne Harlow, Mara Held, Daniel Hill, Charles Hinman, Gilbert Hsiao, Phillis Ideal, Julian Jackson, James Juszczak, Cecily Kahn, Steve Karlik, Marthe Keller, Victor Kord, Irene Lawrence, Mon Levinson, Jane Logemann, Vincent Longo, David MacKenzie, Stephen Maine, Katinka Mann, Nancy Manter, Creighton Michael, Manfred Mohr, Judith Murray, Mary Obering, John Obuck, John Pai, John Phillips, Corey Postiglione, Lucio Pozzi, Richard Pugliese, Raquel Rabinovich, Leo Rabkin, David Reed, Ce Roser, Dorothea Rockburne, Irene Rousseau, David Row, James Seawright, Edward Shalala, Babe Shapiro, Louis Silverstein, Dick Stone, Robert Storr, Robert Swain, Richard Timperio, Clover Vail, Vera Vasek, Don Voisine, Merrill Wagner, Joan Waltemath, Joan Webster Price, Stephen Westfall, Jeanne Wilkinson, Thornton Willis, Mark Williams, Kes Zapkus and Nola Zirin.

Other exhibitions celebrating the American Abstract Artists' 75th anniversary include:

"Splendor of Dynamic Structure: Celebrating 75 Years of the American Abstract Artists," Herbert F. Johnson Museum, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. (Jan. 22 – Mar. 20, 2011)

"Fluid: A 75th American Abstract Artists Anniversary Exhibition," Center for the Arts Gallery, Towson University, Towson, MD. (Feb. 11 – Apr. 9, 2011)

Delaware Center for the Contemporary Arts, Wilmington, DE. (Sept. 2, 2011 – Jan. 1, 2012)

"American Abstract Artists International / 75th Anniversary," Galerie oqbo and Deutscher Künstlerbund, Berlin, Germany. (May 14 – June 10)

Abstraction ∞, The Icebox, Crane Arts, Philadelphia, PA. (November, 2011)

An exhibition at D. Wigmore Fine Art, New York, "*Pioneers of American Abstraction, 1930s-1940s*," will feature the work of many original founding members of the American Abstract Artists. (April 27 – June 30) AAA founders include: Ilya Bolotowsky, Burgoyne Diller, Werner Drewes, Balcomb Greene, Alice Trumbull Mason, George L.K. Morris, Irene Rice Pereira, John Sennhauser, Charles Green Shaw, Esphyr Slobodkina, and Jean Xceron

For more information on these exhibitions please see the AAA web site:
www.americanabstractartists.org

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May and June hours: 10-6 Tuesday-Saturday July hours: 12-5 Tuesday-Friday