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Art Galleries Sector Booth K3

Alexander Gray Associates is pleased to announce our participation in the Galleries sector of the Art Basel Miami Beach 2011 art fair. Throughout the duration of the fair, the Gallery will showcase the multidisciplinary practices of six Gallery artists. Included are a cross-generational array of historically relevant works from the past 50 years, including painting, sculpture, works on paper, photography, and installation.

#### **Art Kabinett: Joan Semmel**

(b. 1932, New York)

The Gallery's booth includes an Art Kabinett presentation of Joan Semmel's painting, including seminal works from the 1970s. A leading figure of the Feminist art movement in New York, Semmel's figurative paintings radically have challenged traditional representations of sexuality and gender since they were first shown in the early 1970s. Today, alongside recent self-portraits exploring aging and allegory, her bold colors, deft brushstroke and evident politics reinforce the permanence of painting and its role in shaping social and cultural perceptions.



Joan Semmel Green Heart, 1971 Oil on canvas

### **Luis Camnitzer**

(b. 1937, Germany, raised Uruguay) A pioneer of Conceptual Art in Latin America, Luis Camnitzer is represented by iconic text-based graphics from the late 1960s, including works that have not been publicly exhibited. Playing with language and visual form, these works engage the viewer with wry humor, transliteration and shifting expectations about communication. Camnitzer's work is the subject of a traveling retrospective, organized by the Daros Latinamerica Museum, currently on view at the Belkin Art Gallery, University of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.



Luis Camnitzer Garden Wall Door Table, 1968 Etching on paper 25h x 24w in Edition of 10 with 1 AP

#### **Melvin Edwards**

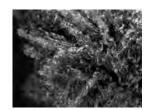
(b. 1937, Houston, TX)
Sculptor Melvin Edwards' welded steel artworks are celebrated for their political references and densely packed forms. Works on view at the fair include a selection from the renowned Lynch Fragments series. Edwards is a central figure in the exhibition Now Dig This!
Art and Black Los Angeles 1960–1980, on view at the Hammer Museum, Los Angeles.



Melvin Edwards Spring, 1973 Welded Steel

#### Lorraine O'Grady

(b. 1934, Boston, MA)
Crossing disciplines including performance, criticism, photography and video, Lorraine O'Grady's meditations on
Black identity and women's representation have positioned her as a forebearer of conceptual and activist practice. In addition to photo-based works in the booth, O'Grady's video, *Landscape* (Western Hemisphere) (2011) will be screened in the Art Basel Video program, on Wednesday, November 30, 2011 at 8PM, at the New World Center's Soundscape Park Video Wall.



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Lorraine O'Grady Landscape (Western Hemisphere) 2010/2011 Single channel video

## Hassan Sharif

(b. 1951, Dubai, United Arab Emirates) Emirati Hassan Sharif's experiments with conceptual art, criticism, performance, drawing and assemblage have impacted subsequent generations of artists emerging from the Gulf region. In 2011, Sharif was the subject of a retrospective

exhibition, Hassan Sharif: Experiments & Objects 1979–2011 curated by Catherine David and Mohammed Kazem, presented by the Abu Dhabi Authority for Culture & Heritage/ Platform for Visual Arts. Photodocumentation of early 1980s performance will be a highlighted in Sharif's forthcoming 2012 show at the Gallery, the artist's first solo exhibition in the United States.



Hassan Sharif Wave-like and Straight Horizontal No. 1-3, 2007 Ink on Paper 23.03h x 16.54w in

## **Jack Whitten**

(b. 1939, Bessemer, AL)
Four decades of Jack Whitten's experiments with paint will be represented over the course of the fair. On view is an important early abstraction, first exhibited in Whitten's 1974 solo exhibition at the Whitney Museum of American Art. Whitten's work is currently featured in *The Bearden Project* at the Studio Museum in Harlem, New York.



Jack Whitten
Sorcerer's Apprentice, 1974
Acrylic on canvas: 88.25h x 50.5w in

Alexander Gray Associates, a contemporary art gallery and advising firm, opened in 2006, establishing a profile for high-quality exhibitions focused on mid-career artists who emerged in the 1960s, 1970s, 1980s, and 1990s. These diverse artists are notable for their spheres of influence that cross generations, disciplines, and political perspectives. Through consulting and collection advising, we provide expertise and educational experiences for our individual and corporate clients.