Group Exhibition: "Our Summer of Love and Resistance"

AVENUE 12 GALLERY

Through August 26, 2017

Artist Talk with Jenny E. Balisle, Christopher Mangum and Philip Long Saturday, August 19 at 4:00 pm. Reception to Follow.

Avenue 12 Gallery presents *Our Summer of Our Love and Resistance,* a group exhibition of Bay Area artists on view through August 26. Please join us for an artist talk with Jenny E. Balisle, Christopher Mangum, and Philip Long on Saturday August 19th.

As part of San Francisco's 50th year commemoration of the Summer of Love, Avenue 12 Gallery is proud to provide a venue where Bay Area artists can connect with the community by showing their work in response to the current political environment. As was true of the 60's, it is our belief that now is the time for art to provide an emotional release, the energy to move dialogue forward, and provide a sense of meaning to hope and struggle.

Jenny E. Balisle' work for this show are various commercial signage that are repurposed by altering function to explore identity, ideology, and equality. As a multi-disciplinary artist, her practice incorporates drawings, sculpture, site-specific installations, objects, video, and audio. As she says, "Art translates when words become inadequate." Christopher Mangum has several paintings in the show with acrylic or oils that confront and compel with their emotional pull. His explorations of the Truth and the roles of the Insider and the Outsider invite closer examination. Philip Long creates poetic surrealist works in leather.

Additional artists in the exhibit include: Abigail Drapkin, Nathalie Fabri, Ransom & Mitchell, Joseph Murdach, Jeff Petersen, Paul Ransohoff, Doug Rhodes, Sharon Steuer, and Deirdre Weinberg.

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Jenny E. Balisle "*Drunk on Power*," 2017 8" x 8" x 3" Aluminum on panel

About the Gallery

Avenue 12 Gallery is a new contemporary art gallery in San Francisco with a focus on artwork by emerging and mid career Bay Area artists.