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CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART ANNOUNCES *NOW AT THE CORCORAN PROGRAMS* FALL 2010



WASHINGTON, D.C. – Beginning in the fall, the Corcoran Gallery of Art and College of Art + Design will present a series of cultural and educational programs inspired by a new contemporary exhibition program, *NOW at the Corcoran*, and by the reinstatement of contemporary works from the Corcoran’s permanent collection, opening on September 11.

Sundays, December 5 and 12 from 12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.-*Streamlit Vapors are Borne.* In response to Finch’s cloud sculpture in the Rotunda, acclaimed choreographer Dana Tai Soon Burgess will create a site-specific dance piece for his celebrated Washington, D.C.-based dance company DTSB&Co. Complimentary with Gallery admission and pre-registration is encouraged.

Saturday, September 11 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – “Architecture as Art” Educator Workshop. Participants discuss how contemporary architecture influences art and art-making with a particular focus on the buildings of Washington, D.C. Pre-registration is required. To register, visit www.corcoran.org/calendar or call (202) 639-1770. \$10 Public; \$8 Members.

Saturday, November 13 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – “DC’s Own: Art of the Washington Color School Movement” Educator Workshop. Learn about the Washington Color School Movement through examination and discussion of works created by renowned DC artists including Alma Thomas, Sam Gilliam, and others. Pre-registration is required. To register, visit www.corcoran.org/calendar or call (202) 639-1770. \$10 Public; \$8 Members.

Thursday, January 13 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. - “American Art: Colonial to Contemporary” Educator Workshop. Explore common themes in art that spans 400 years of American cultural life. Pre-registration is required. To register, visit www.corcoran.org/calendar or call (202) 639-1770. \$10 Public; \$8 Members.

Saturday, April 2, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – “Teaching with 21st Century Art” Educator Workshop. Learn effective, innovative, and interdisciplinary methods of integrating contemporary artworks into teaching. Pre-registration is required. To register, visit www.corcoran.org/calendar or call (202) 639-1770. \$10 Public; \$8 Members.

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Saturday, October 2 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. – “Abstract in Fact” Family Program. Sharpen your eye for geometry as you explore colorful shapes, diagonal lines, and puzzling forms on this visit to *NOW*, the Corcoran’s contemporary gallery. Following your tour, piece together primary colors and quirky shapes to create your own silk-screen abstraction on cotton paper. Pre-registration is required. To register, visit www.corcoran.org/calendar or call (202) 639-1770. \$15 Public; \$12 Members.

NOW at the Corcoran

Spencer Finch: My Business, with the Cloud

September 11– January 23, 2011

NOW at the Corcoran is a series of one- and two-artist exhibitions that presents new work addressing issues central to the local, national, and global communities of Washington, D.C., and that responds to the collection, history, and architecture of the Corcoran.

NOW at the Corcoran will open with *Spencer Finch: My Business, with the Cloud*, an exhibition of new work by the Brooklyn-based artist that includes a site-specific sculpture, *Passing Cloud*, installed in the Corcoran’s Rotunda. Finch’s sculptural installations, photographs, and drawings seek to capture the elusive space between perception and the outside world, probing the intersections of science, nature, and memory. Finch’s exhibition at the Corcoran takes up the subject of clouds. Drawing from the history and environment of Washington, D.C., his project explores the poetic, physical, and meteorological aspects of these natural phenomena. *Spencer Finch: My Business, with the Cloud* is Finch’s first one-artist exhibition in Washington, D.C.

Spencer Finch: My Business, with the Cloud is made possible through the support of the Women’s Committee of the Corcoran, the Elizabeth Firestone Graham Foundation Fund, and Steven M. Sumberg.

VISITOR INFORMATION

The Corcoran’s hours of operation are as follows: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; closed Monday and Tuesday. Admission to *NOW at the Corcoran* is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors (62+) and students (with valid ID), children 12 and under, military (with valid ID) and Members enter for free.

ABOUT THE CORCORAN

The Corcoran Gallery of Art, a privately funded institution, was founded in 1869 as Washington’s first and largest nonfederal museum of art. It is known internationally for its distinguished collection of historical and modern American art as well as contemporary art, photography, European painting, sculpture and the decorative arts. Founded in 1890, the Corcoran College of Art + Design is Washington’s only four-year college of art and design offering BFA degrees in Digital Media Design, Fine Art, Graphic Design and Photography; a five-year Bachelor of Fine Arts/ Master of Arts in Teaching (BFA/MAT); and a two-year Master of Arts (MA) in Interior Design or History of Decorative Arts. The

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College's Continuing Education program offers part-time credit and non-credit classes for children and adults and draws more than 2,500 participants each year. For more information about the Corcoran Gallery of Art and College of Art + Design, visit www.corcoran.org.

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