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Media.Mix: 21st Century Collage

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OPENING RECEPTION:

Friday, December 12, 2008, 7-9pm

EXHIBITION HOURS:

Wednesday - Saturday, 12 to 6pm
Gallery closed December 24th & 25th

CIVILIAN ART PROJECTS is pleased to announce its final exhibition of the year: *Media.Mix: 21st Century Collage*. Inviting the viewer to examine expectations of collage, curator Iciar Sagarmínaga and assistant curator Erin Lingle have selected a group of artists who explore this genre to find relationships between elements and build narratives in their distinctive bodies of work. No material is off limits and diverse methods are explored.

Pulling from their individual experiences and incorporating materials that are culturally relevant, the artists establish a collective identity reflecting a consciousness that all matter is precious. The transformations that take place offer an opportunity to revel in the abstraction and creative use of ordinary materials and discarded images. This quiet manifesto of salvaging, not wasting, and finding new life for old pieces, is a poetic and central experience in collage, and one that continues to stretch its boundaries. The creative freedom and versatility found in combining and altering objects, textures, images and sound to create new meaning and aesthetic value creates work that is accessible and extols the enduring power and relevance of collage into the twenty-first century.

The exhibition includes sculpture, painting, drawing, fabric and textiles, video, music, and photography by D. Billy, Kristina Bilonick, Cheraya Esters, Steven Frost, Laura Hensley, Anamario Hernández, Steve Ioli, Jennifer Mattingly, Patrick McDonough, Chinaedu Nwadiibia, Betsy Packard, Nicholas Popovici, Vida Russell, Teresa Sites and a musical remix of sounds by Damu.

CIVILIAN ART PROJECTS, an art gallery based in Washington, D.C. supports the voice and vision of the artist through exhibitions, events, and collaborations in D.C. and abroad. The gallery is located in the Penn Quarter neighborhood in downtown Washington near many major museums, galleries, and national treasures.

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