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Transformer partners with Heineman Myers Contemporary Art in presenting *Paper Trail*, December 12, 2008 – January 24, 2009.



OPENING RECEPTION, HEINEMAN MYERS CONTEMPORARY ART: FRIDAY, December 12, 6 - 9pm

OPENING RECEPTION, TRANSFORMER: SATURDAY, December 13, 6 - 9pm

Working to build a wide range of audience for emerging artists, Transformer is very pleased to be partnering with Heineman Myers Contemporary Art in presenting the two-site *Paper Trail* exhibition, highlighting selections from Transformer's **FlatFile** Program. Transformer's **FlatFile** program currently features work by over 30 artists, including:

Victor Aguilar Pat Graham **Emily Andrews** Ryan Hill April Behnke Paul Jeffreys Nancy Blum Andy Kozlowski Miles Bumbray John Lancaster Alan Brown Katherine Mann Jessica Cebra Nathan Manuel Natalie Cheung Maki Maruyama Cynthia Connolly Lisa McCarty Jennifer DePalma Nikki Painter Melissa Dickenson Piero Passacantando Stephen Gibson **Bondé Prang**

Lauren Rice Bonaia Rosado Melanie Standage Jay Stuckey Señor Tangcito Champ Taylor Michael Terzano Lisa Marie Thalhammer Christine Buckton Tillman Lauren Vincelli Rachel Waldron

Now in its second year, Transformer's **FlatFile** program consists of a growing collection of eclectic, unframed works on paper by an esteemed roster of artists working in a variety of twodimensional mediums, including: photography, painting, drawing and printmaking, all approximately 16" x 20" in size and smaller. Developed to further grow audience and collectors for emerging artists, in tandem with Transformer's exhibition series, inclusion in the **FlatFile** is open to artists that have exhibited with Transformer in the past, and those who are new to the organization. **FlatFile** includes work by emerging artists based regionally, nationally and internationally; artists and work are included based on artistic merit.

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Building on the early success of the program, Transformer is pleased to be partnering with Zoe Myers and Heineman Myers Contemporary Art in Bethesda, MD in pursuing this 2nd annual winter exhibition of **FlatFile** artwork. *Paper Trail* provides a wonderful opportunity for emerging and established collectors to grow their collections with original artwork by a diverse and talented mix of artists.

All works exhibited in *Paper Trail* are available for purchase with 70% of proceeds going directly to the participating artists. Additional works from Transformer's **FlatFile** are available for viewing and purchase by contacting Transformer at: <u>info@transformergallery.org</u> or by calling 202-483-1102.

EXHIBITION HOURS:

Transformer: Wednesday – Saturday, 1–7pm & by appointment.

Heineman Myers: Tuesday - Saturday, 1-6pm & by appointment.

Both Transformer and Heineman Myers will be open by appointment only December 24 - January 5.

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HEINEMAN MYERS CONTEMPORARY ART is a cutting edge contemporary art space representing artists who have gained recognition by curators and critics throughout the Washington D.C. metropolitan area and the international art world. Heineman Myers Contemporary Art's long list of impressive artists create works in all different types of traditional and nontraditional mediums which range from paintings, sculpture, photography, installations, and much more.

Heineman Myers Contemporary Art is located at 4728 Hampden Lane, one block South upon exiting the Bethesda station on the RED line. 301-951-7900. info@heinemanmyers.com / www.HeinemanMyers.com

TRANSFORMER is a Washington, D.C. based 501(c) 3 non-profit, artist-centered, visual arts organization that connects and promotes emerging artists locally, nationally and internationally. Partnering with artists, curators, art spaces and other cultural entities, Transformer serves as a catalyst and advocate for emergent expression in the visual arts. Transformer's 2008/2009 exhibition series and programs are supported by The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities/NEA, The Morris & Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation, The Eugene and Agnes E. Meyer Foundation, The Robert Lehman Foundation, and The Visionary Friends of Transformer.

Images left to right by: Alan Brown, Natalie Cheung, Jessica Cebra, and Nikki Painter.