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**OPENS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2011**

**AN EXCITING DEPARTURE** FROM THE TRADITIONAL GROUP EXHIBITION FORMAT, Fragmentation is a group show in multiple galleries on the Lower East side. The artists in the show vary greatly in demographic, worldview, and in the type of work they make. Yet each one matriculated in the same MFA program and graduated in Spring 2011. Now their work inhabits various fractions of galleries in the Lower East Side to present a show that, while fragmented, achieves unity by allowing viewers to connect the dots.

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**IT HAS BECOME AN ANNUAL TRADITION** at the School of Visual Arts (SVA) that, as senior seminar instructor in the MFA Fine Arts program, I organize a post-graduate exhibition in collaboration with our recent graduates. This rite started auspiciously, with a 10-day show at David Zwirner in June 2006. Subsequent installations took place at Perry Rubenstein Gallery (Plus One, 2010), and at spaces in Kansas City, San Antonio and New Orleans (MFA Road Show, 2007). At a precarious moment in the world economy we presented A New Currency in a former pet shop on Delancey Street (2009), and the year before that sent the exhibition to Korea in a single suitcase.

In the past, these post-graduate group shows have generated significant press and participatory responses. A New Currency was picked up widely in blogs and magazines, and mentioned in a New York Times interview with Chuck Close on the recession's effect on the way artists exhibit today. With Fragmentation, whose format has not been attempted on this scale before, we expect even more conversation to ensue.

This year's exhibition is based on the concept of fragmentation, reflecting the somewhat self-evident fact that the 33 artists who graduated from SVA in May 2011 come from considerably disparate backgrounds, and create a wide range of work. In this spirit, the exhibition is hosted by multiple gallery locations in the Lower East Side, none of which are necessarily linked to each other. I envision this project mirroring the condition of its artists and gallery spaces as being simultaneously united and separate, in which nobody belongs but everyone must find a place.

**- Dan Cameron, Curator**

## **GALLERIES / ARTISTS / EXHIBITION DATES**

**1] ALLEGRA LAVIOLA GALLERY** 179 E. Broadway b/t Jefferson & Rutgers // allegralaviola.com // 917.463.3901 **SANAM ENAYATI / AARON HILLEBRAND / CINDY HINANT / JEE KIM / ADEHLA LEE / BRENDAN LYNCH / ANNA SOUVOROV** // SEPT 7 - OCT 15

**2] CUCHIFRITOS GALLERY AND PROJECT SPACE:** A Program of Artists Alliance, Inc. // 120 Essex St. (inside Essex Street Market) // aai-nyc.org/cuchifritos // 212.420.9202 **NIDA ABIDI** // SEPT 12 - SEPT 16

**3] DODGEgALLERY** 15 Rivington St. b/t Bowery and Chrystie // dodge-gallery.com // 212.228.5122 **KATIE CERCONE / THERESA FRIESS / GUDMUNDUR THORODDSEN** // SEPT 1 - OCT 2

**4] KRAUSE GALLERY** 149 Orchard St. at Rivington // krausegallery.com // 212.777.7799 **BETTY HART / TEMPEST NEUCOLLINS** // SEPT 7 - OCT 15

**5] NUMBER 35 GALLERY** 141 Attorney St. near Stanton // numberthirtyfive.com // 212.388.9311 **ROSS BERRY / IVY CASTELLANOS / TONY TOSCANI / JOEY VARAS** // SEPT 7 - OCT 17

**6] THE PHATORY** 618 E. 9th St. b/t Ave. B and Ave. C // phatory.com // 212.777.7922 **JENNIFER LEIGH DUNLAP / HWAN JAHNG / MIYEON LEE / TOSHI / JONATHAN ERIC RIDER / JULIE SCHENKELBERG / EMILY WEINER** // SEPT 7 - SEPT 24

**7] STEPHAN STOYANOV** 29 Orchard St. b/t Hester and Canal // stephanstoyanovgallery.com // 212.343.4240 **ANGELA BRANCO / NORA SHARPE BEYRENT / SHARONA ELIASSAF / ELISA GARCIA DE LA HUERTA / MAX GLASER / THERESA HIMMER & PERNILLE BISGAARD / JONG OH / LEO TECOSKY** // SEPT 7 - SEPT 24

**8] SUE SCOTT GALLERY** 1 Rivington Street at Bowery // suescottgallery.com // 212.358.8767 **RANDALL "DRAGON" BARQUERO** // SEPT 7 - OCT 17

*For daily hours of operation, see individual gallery websites.*

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## OPENING RECEPTION: WED SEPT 7 2011

*\*exception noted*

### OPENING RECEPTION TIMES (vary by gallery):

ALLEGRA LAVIOLA GALLERY /// 6-9PM

DODGEgallery /// 6-8PM

KRAUSE GALLERY /// 6-9PM

NUMBER 35 GALLERY /// 6-8PM

THE PHATORY /// 7-9PM

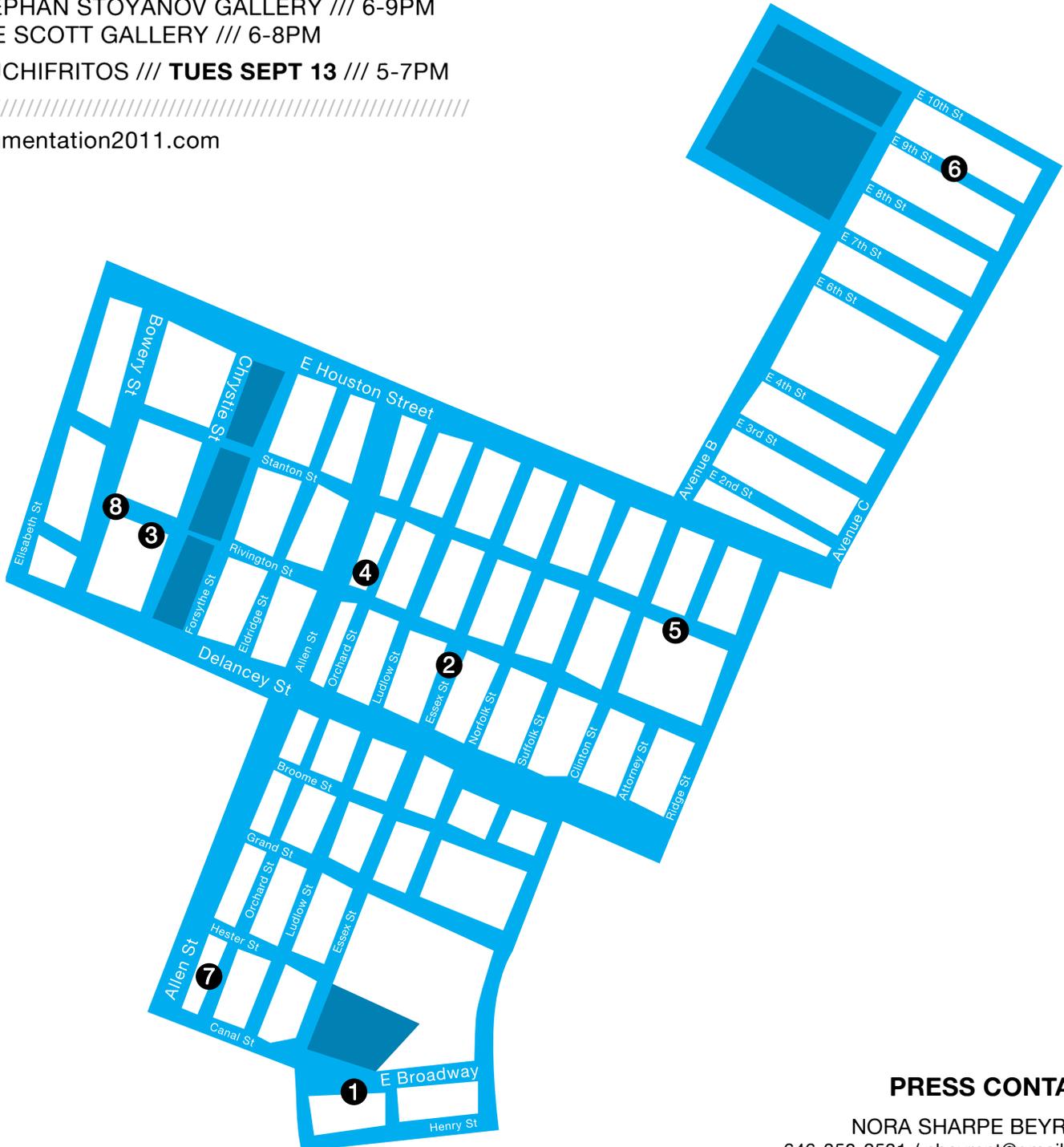
STEPHAN STOYANOV GALLERY /// 6-9PM

SUE SCOTT GALLERY /// 6-8PM

\*CUCHIFRITOS /// **TUES SEPT 13** /// 5-7PM

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