

Myartspace Announces "New York, New York 2007" Competition Winners

Myartspace.com, the premier online social network for the art world is pleased to announce that four winners for the "New York, New York 2007" competition have been selected by a prestigious jury. Competitive entries were submitted from 50 countries.

New York, NY and Palo Alto, CA (PRWEB) October 4, 2006 – The "New York, New York 2007" competition concluded on September 15, 2007. After two weeks of deliberation by the jurors, four winners and 50 finalists were selected. The four winners were Minkyung Lee, Svetlana Rabey, Masha Ryskin and Vincent Como. The three-person jury consisted of Jessica Morgan, curator of contemporary art at the Tate Modern, James Rondeau, curator of contemporary art at the Art Institute of Chicago and Steven Zevitas, Publish and Editor of New American Paintings.

"We were very please at the sheer depth, breadth and diversity of contemporary art in the competition. Clearly selecting the winners amongst the rich pool of submissions was a challenging task for the jurors. We believe the winners reflect the cutting edge of contemporary art. As the premier fine art site on the web, we are fortunate to have built such a talented following." says Catherine McCormack-Skiba, founder and Creative Director of myartspace.

A show in Chelsea, New York will be hosted by myartspace for the winners of the competition starting on Thursday, November 1 from 6 to 8pm. The show will be at 526 West 26th Street, Suite 511, Chelsea, New York. The winning artists and their work will be in attendance for the opening.

Luke Aleckson, vice president of business development at myartspace, comments: "Simply put, our goal is to provide opportunities for interesting artists to be recognized for their work. In that regard, we consider this competition to have been a huge success. Because of the fairly unorthodox online format of the competition and the global reach of our artistic community, we have been able to highlight the work of an amazing range of talented artists. As the community grows, myartspace will continue to provide artists -- and art collectors -- an increasing number of similar opportunities. "

Steven Zevitas, Publisher and Editor of New American Paintings and juror, notes "The New York, New York competition is the first "on-line" competition that I have ever worked on. The access to video and other information provided by the myartspace platform gave the jury panel an unprecedented vantage point from which to engage with all aspects of a given artist's project. The range of work - both in terms of media and aesthetic viewpoint - was tremendous. I am quite pleased with the final outcome of jurying process. The forthcoming exhibition will bring together a strong and deserving group of artists, and, given the level of competition, all finalists should be pleased."

Four Top Winners

The four winners were Minkyung Lee, Svetlana Rabey, Masha Ryskin and Vincent Como. Their work can be viewed at: <http://www.myartspace.com/contestresults/nyny07>.

Vincent Como was born near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and studied at the Cleveland Institute of Art in Cleveland, Ohio. He has spent most of the past decade in Chicago, and is currently living in Brooklyn, NY. His work has been shown in numerous solo and group exhibits across the United States, the most recent solo show taking place earlier this year at Western Exhibitions in Chicago, IL.

Korean artist Minkyung Lee received her MFA in Printmedia from the Cranbrook Academy of Art in Michigan. She has exhibited steadily in Korea and the United States, and is looking forward to upcoming solo shows at Mooshin Museum and the Photography Center BODA in Seoul, Korea. She has also previously been granted a Summer Residency at the School of Visual Art in New York City.

Born in Moscow, Russia, Svetlana Rabey studied at American University in Paris, France and Parsons School of Design in New York and Paris. In addition to her recent success as an artist, which has included a residency at the Chashama Exhibition Space in New York and an award from the Marie Walsh Sharpe Art Foundation, she has also had previous experience as a professional ballet dancer and a feature film art director.

Masha Ryskin is a Russian-born painter, printmaker, and installation artist. Her work has been exhibited nationally and internationally. She has participated in a number of national and international residency programs in the United States, Indonesia, Finland, Costa Rica, Norway, and Spain, and her work has been featured in a number of publications, most recently in the New York Times.

50 Finalists Selected

Fifty finalists were selected from which four were chosen to participate in the “New York, New York” group exhibit. The top 46 remaining finalists in alphabetic order include:

Chuck Avery	Greta Bank	Krzysztof Bednarski	Christie Blizzard
William Brovelli	Ellie Brown	Wonjung Choi	Hollis Cooper
Vicki Da Silva	Christa Donner	Adam Frezza	Julien Gardair
Chadwick Gibson	Jessalyn Haggengos	Dana Harel	Niels Helmink
William Holton	Bill Jacobs	Michael Just	Alysia Kaplan
Kelly Kerrigan	Gregory King	Orrie King	Mie Olise Kjaergaard
Casey Lynch	Susan Maddux	Erica Mason	Sarah McNulty
Bruce Noel Mortenson	Jonathan Parker	Jeffrey Allen Price	Samuel Toro Rosa
Zachary Royer Scholz	Ari Salomon	Paul Santoleri	Tamir Sher
Artur Silva	Charlotte Smith	Jessica Snow	Jonathan Solo
Young Wook Song	Selina Trepp	Jovan Villalba	John Westmark
Paul White	Caomin Xie		

All the above artists can be found on myartspace.

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