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MARYMOUNT MANHATTAN COLLEGE EXHIBITION **TEXT OUT OF CONTEXT**

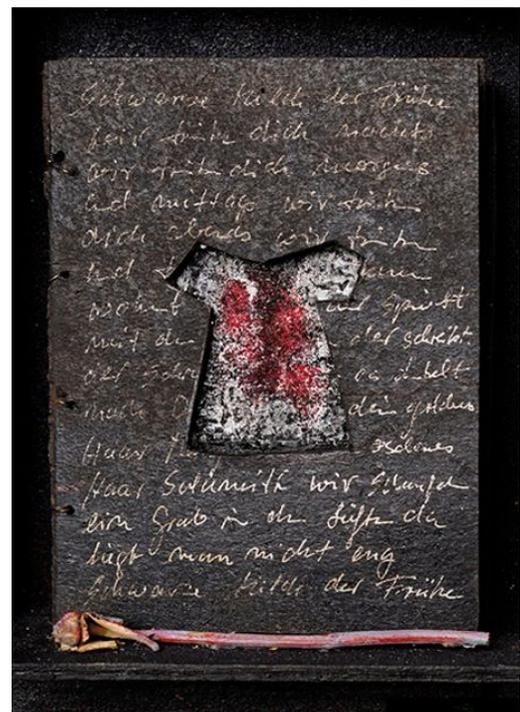
March 18 - April 11, 2013

OPENING RECEPTION: THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 6 – 8 PM

NEW YORK, NY, March 14, 2013 – When Johann Gutenberg invented the printing press in the mid-1400s, he revolutionized the process of sharing the written word. Producing yet another new spin to sharing language, **Marymount Manhattan College** will exhibit **“Text Out of Context,”** a visual tribute to literacy in unexpected forms.

Co-curated by **CENTRAL BOOKING’s** founder **Maddy Rosenberg** and **Professor Hallie Cohen**, the exhibition, will be on display in the College’s **Hewitt Gallery of Art** from **March 18th - April 11th**, with a special opening reception on **Thursday, March 21th at 6:00 pm.**

With the book’s metamorphosis from the stone tablet to the finely crafted illuminated manuscript to a mere mass produced carrier of content, **Text Out of Context** gives 14 contemporary artists a meaningful and creative way to reinvent the book, taking it off the shelf and on to the wall -- moveable, transformative and surprising once again.



Desirée Alvarez layers text with image as they flow in nonlinear transparent wafts of fabric. **Rosaire Appel** conceals a text as a subtext to the graphic narrative as **Anne Gilman** redacts her way to an indecipherable text, forcing us into the visual language it accompanies, hand in hand. **Pablo Helguera** plays with a language of illustration, turning it quite literally on its head while **Art Hazelwood** unfolds a seemingly more traditional narrative. **James Walsh** reveals a video narrative of what could have been as **Katherine Jackson** actually illuminates the word. The sculptural somersault words of **Pamela Moore** induce us to search for meaning from all angles. **Judith Nilson** weaves a pattern of surrogate text with a game in mind. **Maddy Rosenberg** builds stone by stone a sentence that needs no parsing. The calligraphy of **Alan Rosner** confounds the western brain, it is English with an Asian spin. **Ilse Schreiber-Noll** invites us to drink in the words of Paul Celan. The words wind around the spools of **Robbin Ami Silverberg**, spewing forth; **Amanda Thackray** squeezes her text into test tube pages, to be discovered with effort.

Art Exhibition *Text Out Of Context*, March 18 - April 11, 2013 *con't.*

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WHAT: "Text Out of Context"

WHEN: Opening Reception: Thursday March 21, 6 – 8 pm
Exhibition runs March 18th to April 11th, Mon.-Sun. 9am - 9pm

WHERE: Marymount Manhattan College's Hewitt Gallery of Art
221 East 71st Street

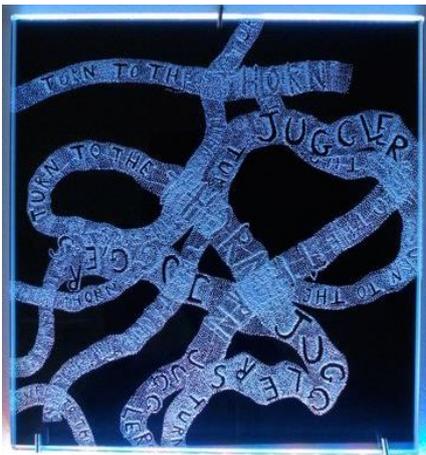
RSVP: for opening reception, contact Hallie Cohen hcohen@mmm.edu

WHO: Artists:

- Desiree Alvarez
- Rosaire Appel
- Anne Gilman
- Art Hazelwood
- Pablo Helguera
- Katherine Jackson
- Pamela Moore
- Judith Nilson
- Maddy Rosenberg
- Alan Rosner
- Ilse Schreiber-Noll
- Robbin Ami Silverberg
- Amanda Thackray
- James Walsh)

Co-Curators:

- **Maddy Rosenberg**, Executive Director/Curator of CENTRAL BOOKING
- **Hallie Cohen**, Marymount Manhattan College Art Department, Chair, Associate Professor of Art



Professor Cohen shares, "The gallery is the visual literacy center for the college. The hope is that this exhibit resonates with students, faculty and the community, by identifying how visual arts are connected to poetry, contemporary and historical literature, psychology and the natural sciences. In this exhibition, the book is represented in unconventional ways and literally takes its text out of context."

PICTURED ARTWORK:

Above: **Ilse Schreiber-Noll**, detail of *Schwarze Stille* (*Black Silence I*), Mixed Media

Left: **Katherine Jackson**, *Turn to the Thorn Jugglers*, Glass, RGB LED, aluminum

BACKGROUND

MARYMOUNT MANHATTAN COLLEGE

Marymount Manhattan College (MMC), founded in 1936, is an urban, independent, liberal arts, four-year college. Located on Manhattan's Upper East Side, the College provides an intimate academic and artistic environment in which intellectual achievement and personal growth are fostered within its student body. MMC enrolls more than 2,000 undergraduate students, from 42 states and 60 countries, and offers a student/faculty ratio of 12-1.

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