



GEMINI G.E.L. ^{AT} JONI MOISANT WEYL

John Baldessari at Gemini: The News

September 25 – October 25, 2014

Gemini G.E.L. at Joni Moisant Weyl is pleased to present *The News*, an exhibition of six new screenprints created by John Baldessari and published by Gemini G.E.L., the Los Angeles-based artists' workshop. Concurrently, a selection of previous editions will be exhibited in our project space, including prints from the series *Eight Soups* (2012), *Foot and Stocking* (2010), and *Noses & Ears* (2006).

Baldessari created the imagery for *The News* by mining newspapers every morning for compelling images, and pairing them with his own descriptions of other photographs from the same paper. Baldessari and his staff manipulated the images and combined them with the text in his signature Sans Serif font to create unexpected, evocative narratives and social commentary.



The News: Four Ducks Standing on a Bench...
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Baldessari began collaborating with Gemini in 1991, constructing collages of color photographs using a combination of lithography and screenprinting. In subsequent projects he engaged in a self-described *brinkmanship* - pushing and testing the limits of printmaking techniques and aesthetics. Baldessari continues to make pioneering work, developed over five decades of conceptual practice that derives its power and meaning from the juxtaposition of language and image.

Since his first survey in 1981 organized by the New Museum, John Baldessari has had more than 120 solo exhibitions in the United States and Europe. He has received many awards, including the Goslar Kaiser Ring from Germany in 2012, the Golden Lion Lifetime Achievement Award in 2009 from the 53rd International Venice Biennale, The BACA International 2008, and the Lifetime Achievement Award from Americans for the Arts in 2005. He lives and works in Santa Monica, California.

The exhibition will open with a reception on Thursday, September 25, 2014 from 6 pm – 8 pm and continue through Saturday, October 25. For additional information and visuals, please contact Jessica Krueckeberg at (212) 249-3324 or at gemini@joniweyl.com