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Artistry Presents *Significant Stuff*

(Bloomington, MN) Artistry is pleased to announce *Significant Stuff*, an exhibition featuring the work of Nathan Stromberg, running March 10 – May 1, 2016.

About the Exhibit: Nathan Stromberg uses collage as a medium to navigate and comment on post-war America, as interpreted through instantly recognizable objects of the era. His images carry a stylistic look bound to a specific place in history—a time in our collective American past that made us who we are today. These glimpses of the everyday, such as stylized kitchen objects and period fashion, connect us through shared memory and speak to a collective national identity.

The images communicate across decades, and have the ability to elicit a wide range of viewer responses, from feelings of nostalgia and longing for lost times to feelings of repression and skepticism. As art objects, they are widely accessible and at first glance even appear superficial, but they are simultaneously profound in the ideas they explore and the process by which they are made. The iconic object is given new life in a new context to comment on an ever-changing American identity.

About the Artist: Nathan Stromberg is a painter and collage artist based in St. Paul, Minnesota. He holds a Masters in Fine Arts degree from The Art Institute of Boston at Lesley University and a Studio Art degree from Bethel University. He has exhibited his work locally and nationally through solo and group exhibitions. He has also created large scale painted murals, designed theater sets, and illustrated an award-winning children's book. He teaches all forms of visual art and design to high school students at Minnehaha Academy in Minneapolis.

Gallery Location and Hours: Artistry is located at 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road in Bloomington, MN. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. There is no admission fee.

About Artistry: Artistry is a regional arts nonprofit serving more than 80,000 people annually through theater, visual arts, arts education, and creative placemaking programs. Artistry is a proud participant in the Twin Cities Ivey Awards and one of seven nonprofit organizations based in the Bloomington Center for the Arts. For more information, visit www.artistrymn.org or call 952-563-8575.

Photo Captions:

Percolator in Chrome by Nathan Stromberg; vintage magazine collage

Table Lamp by Nathan Stromberg; vintage magazine collage

Royal Typewriter by Nathan Stromberg; vintage magazine collage

Exhibition website:

https://www.artistrymn.org/visual_arts/significant