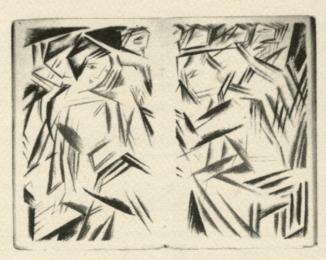
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For the first time, this exhibition shows how the idea of the book as an art form sprang from the early avant-garde artistic movements of this century. Included in the exhibition are works from the 18th and 19th centuries which foreshadow the interplay between words and images in the 20th; "The Avant-Garde Book" will map the impact of the Symbolist, Expressionist, Cubist, Futurist, Dada, Constructivist, Functionalist and Surrealist movements on the book.

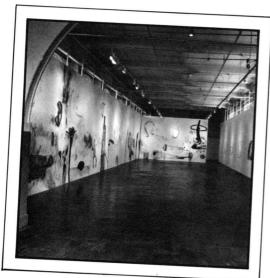
Opening Friday, February 24th and closing Saturday, May 6th, the exhibition is accompanied by a catalogue/book designed by Czech artist Pavel Buchler. Following the opening, John Wilson's performance group, DADAnewyorkDADA will reconstruct a selection of performances from this avant-garde period.

Friday night, February 24th at 8:30 pm you are invited to view historical performance works by Tristan Tzara, Hugo Ball, Marcel Duchamp, Hans Arp, Kurt Schwitters and others.

This exhibition is funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency; The New York State Council on the Arts; and the generous support of private individuals.

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EMERGING ARTISTS INSTALLATION WORKS



Shelagh Keeley (New York)

"Books"

Jan 13 - Feb 11

Using the form of the book as a psychological extension of the body, Shelagh Keeley produces elemental, instinctive drawings to explore "gestures of sight, the architecture of emotion."



Mark W. McGinnis (South Dakota)

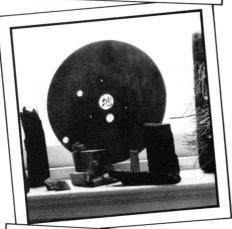
"Third World Ties" Jan 13 - Feb 11

A sculptural project ten years in the making, "Third World Ties" consists of a twenty-two unit model that communicates the "incredibly redundant folly" of U.S. foreign policy.



Henry Chotkowski (Virginia)

"Sameness"
Feb 24 - Apr 1
Coincidence -- the man-made connections
between and amongst events -- are the
subject of these photoassemblages and
"magazine excavations." Magazines are
literally excavated in strata, cut open to lay
bare the hidden images beneath.



Kaoru Hirabayashi (New York)

"51 Sound-Doors"

Apr 7 - May 6

Combining Japanese script and the figures which it signifies, Kaoru Hirabayashi hopes to reconnect Japanese symbols with their original, and now lost, meanings.



"Literacy on the Table: Culutral Fluency and the Act of Reading" (New York)

July 7 - Aug 26
In the beginning was the word -- or so it is written. Literacy, the primary technique of survival in the wilderness of culture, is explored by sixteen visual artists and videomakers. "There are implicit assumptions about lieracy that are embedded in a work of art. We are interested in revealing and calling into question both the viewer's and the artist's notions of fluency."

FOOD FOR THOUGHT ARTISTS-IN-RESIDENCE

Beginning in 1989, Franklin Furnace is using the oldest art - - - storytelling - - - to illuminate the newest - - - artists' publications, multiples and performance. Artists KEVIN OSBORN, DAVI DET HOMPSON, NANCY GARRUBA, and FRANC PALAIA will each be in residence for a month and available to you! Each artist-in-residence will select works from Franklin Furnace's permanent collection which reflect his or her particular concerns, and will respond to your questions and thoughts as well.



NANCY GARRUBA makes use of her experience in performance art and video to produce mail art and imaginative artists' books such as *Not Altogether True/Not Altogether False*, which is a book of cancelled checks, each one labeled with the truth value of the transaction. Trained as a writer, book-binder and graphics designer, Garruba's work has been shown across the United States and in Europe and Canada. For the past three years she has focused exclusively on published art, while continuing to live and work in Washington, D.C.

DAVI DET HOMPSON (David Elbridge

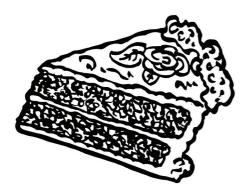
Thompson) was born in Sharon, Pennsylvania and lives in Richmond, Virginia. His early training in graphic design and his introduction to Fluxus and concrete poetry at Indiana University where he received his M.F.A. form the basis for his life-long commitment to experimental offset and artistic expression through the book form. Hompson has held teaching posts at several colleges and exhibited at major museums and galleries in New York and elsewhere. Recently, the subject matter of his work has become less didactic and more personal.





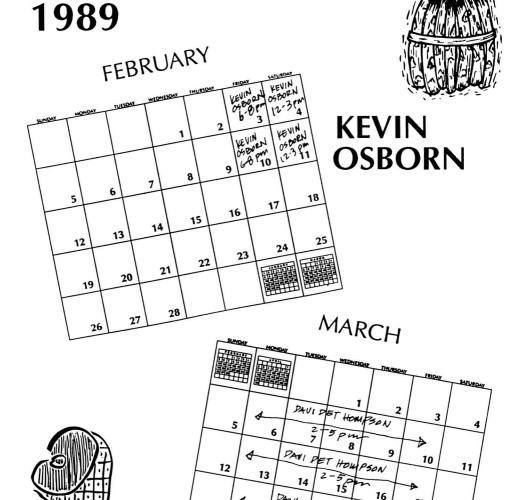
FRANC PALAIA's specialty concerns the application of photographic and other reproductive techniques such as xerox/copy art to the art of social commentary. A native of New Rochelle, New York, Palaia teaches in New Jersey and has shown in numerous individual and group exhibitions throughout the United States and Canada including Franklin Furnace and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. Among his most interesting projects in a one-of-a-kind book consisting of color xeroxes of color photographs of urban walls lined up along the bottom of each page to form a continuous sequence so that reading the book simulates walking in an urban landscape.

KEVIN OSBORN is a highly respected artist whose principal medium is offset lithography. His book, Real Lush, is exactly that: a work that was produced from sheets that passed fifteen times through offset press, producing a lush, detailed and dense page and work. Osborn lives and works in the Washington, D.C. area, in Arlington, VA. His Osbornbook press has just published a parallelogram-shaped book bound with a raw wood spine, featuring 40 colors. The artist's background as a photographer/printer informs all of his works.





FOOD FOR THOUGHT EATING SCHEDULE



DAVI DET HOMPSON

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NANCY GARRUBA



EMERGING PERFORMANCE ARTISTS



Barbara T. Smith (California) "Stoke the Furnace, Bake the Squash, and Feed the People:

Alternatives to the Culture of Rape"

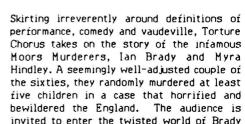
Panel: January 14 4:00pm

Artists have always keenly felt the pains and ills of culture, often acting as the hypersensitive "antennae," the first to feel the vital issues facing society. In an era when popular art is expressing nihilistic emptiness and symbols devoid of meaning, it is incumbent on other artists to sense where new sources of vital energy abide. A panel discussion will raise intellectual as well as emotional/intuitive issues on the fate of the earth and our need as her residents to reintegrate our lives and intentions with her.

William Pope L. and James Calder (New York) "George Is in the Lake" January 13, 14, 20, 24

This feminist fairy tale takes the form of androgynous musical theater. Loosely based upon the MAN: George Washinton, and the EVENT: crossing the Delaware, the performance revises and re-interprets male myths and the symbols of history. performance made possible through the Franklin Furnace Fund for Performance Art.





and Hindley, to find answers to questions

Torture Chorus (Stephen Holman and Laura

"Breakfast with the Moors Murderers"

Richmond) (London)

better left unasked.

January 27, 28



Gearoid Dolan (Dublin)
"Survival... Against All Odds"
February 3, 4

A scathing look at Capitalism and New York in three parts: "Freedom," "And Then He Hit Me..." and "Aggression." Using animation, films, sounds, music and a mimimum of action, this "Screamachine" production explores the idea that money is feeding off of poverty.



Ron Littke (New York)
"Ron Dog"
February 10, 11, 17, 18

Performing as "Ron Dog" in his oversized canine environment, Ron Littke unleashes his own form of animal art. Using monologues, video, music, and tail-raising props such as giant dishes, fireplug posters, and bones, Ron Dog narrates his dream diary which focuses on the similarities between artist and dog in the 80s.







DADAnewyorkDADA (New York) February 24

John Wilson's performance group DADAnewyorkDADA will recreate the works of the original Dadaists: a collage of sounds, optophonetics in performance, movement and verbal realizations form the printed pages of these originals by Tzara, Schwitters, Hausmann, Albert-Birot, Arp, Duchamp and others. Dada and the Surreal conspire to upset LOGIC and, through humor and fantasy, communicate anew.

Dawn Egazarian (New Jersey) A Performance Event March 4, 2pm Location to be announced.

Like an aesthetic ambush, Ms. Egazarian strikes without warning! Her events are staged in public places at their busiest hours. This guerrilla art combines such disparate and humorous elements as huge banners, stuffed swordfish, and parachute harnesses to address a very serious range of issues.

Lisa Kotin (New York)
"Chicken Soup"
March 10, 11

The story of three generations of women who have resided in the same New York City apartment over a fifty-year period is told by an impartial observer — one of the walls of the apartment, the only thing that has withstood the family's past and remains standing.



The Dark Bob (Los Angeles)
"Leisure Intensity"
March 17, 18

The Dark Bob presents an array of his song material, performs "concert style" with a pre-recorded back-up band. His music is a blend of "Middle Eastern, country-western, new age, folk, punk, art rock" influenced by "Dean Martin, Bob Dylan, Vasily Kandinsky, Johnny Cash, The Clash and Allan Kaprow." There will also be The Dark Bob film festival, of Dark Bob super-8 shorts -- "hilarious, touching, inspired and idiotic."



Sherman Flemming aka Rodforce (Washington D.C.)

"Western History as a Three-Story Building" April 7,8

Using the "Flying Voladores" of Mexico as inspiration, Rodforce will be strapped into boots and suspended from the ceiling in "Fault", using his body to gain momentum in sweeping circles. In "AxVapor," a spinning dance is performed on shoes with bowling balls affixed to he soles. This four part performance incorporates Inuit and Afro-American story telling.



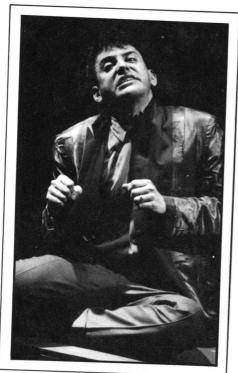
Jim Reva and Lisa Weger (Los Angeles)
"One Room Apartment"
April 14, 15, 21, 22

The theme of domestic disintegration is created in black and white installations, in which mundane actions are changed into unordinary activities. A husband and wife coffee time becomes a ritual as the newspaper bursts into flames and toast stacks rise in unsteady towers in this social satire.



Susan Mogul (Los Angeles)
"The Sightseer"
April 28, 29

For two years, Susan Mogul has taken us sightseeing through her mother's closet. She stopped — and went to Budapest. Now she's back sightseeing again, this time in her apartment in Los Angeles. Mogul, the irreverent tourist, tells anecdotes and shows NO slides of Hungary.

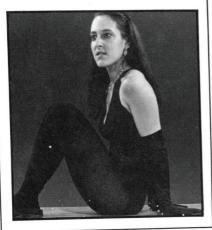


Richard Elovich (New York)
"IF MEN COULD TALK, THE STORIES THEY
COULD TELL"
May 5, 6, 12, 13

Richard Elovich presents a new play about men who talk and men who don't. "IF MEN COULD TALK" is about anxiety and evidence, about story-telling and the ambivalence of revelation.

May 11th

A special benefit, all proceeds for AIDS treatment registry, Wave 3 of Act Up presents "Morning in America." Admission is \$10.







DOUBLE BILL: May 26, 27, June 2, 3

Deborah Margolin (New York)
"Busy Signal"

Laurence Steger (Chicago)
"Rented Movies"

"Even the heart has variations." So says the jazz musician who was just fired from a job he loved because he couldn't keep the beat. In "Busy Signal," Deborah Margolin cuts deep "like a shaft of light through a tiny jungle." The two major monologues of this one-woman show are held gently apart by a busy signal.

"Rented Movies" by Lawrence Steger is a day in the life of a gay entertainer, stylistically similar to German cabarets of the 1920s. Through monologues, jokes, songs and dances, Steger weaves a web of meanings and associations alluding to the senseless pain of repressed passion.

Frank Moore (San Francisco) "Journey to the Isle of Lila" June 9, 10, 16, 17

Born with cerebral palsy, Frank Moore can control his neck muscles only. He considers himself not only to be a sex symbol, but to have the ideal body for a performance artist: "I am lucky I am an exhibitionist in this body." This five-hour journey through inner space and inner time takes the audience to "Lila," the island of play and illusion in the "Sea of How-Things-Should-Be." Daring to go through the uncharted waters of death, rebith and childhood, the audience takes part in magical rituals.

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Performances start at 8:30 PM on Fridays and Saturdays (unless otherwise noted). Admission is \$8 for non-members, half-price or free for members and Performance Passport holders. Call (212) 925-4671 for reservations.

GERMAN VISUAL POETRY TODAY

MAY 19 - JULY 1, 1989

These artists have had an essential impact on the development of the contemporary scene in Germany, expressing their experiences in script and picture. The exhibition aims at conveying a feeling of the vitality inherent in the combination of text, picture and script and language, art and poetry, and compliments "Text as Image," on view at the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum.

HORST HAACK Born in 1940, Horst Haack, a painter, lives in Berlin. In his "chronographie terrestre" Haack describes each day (devoting 50 sheets to each month).

ANGELIKA JANZ was born in 1952, lives in Essen and works as a scripture artist, cutting apart text and combining the fragments with handwritten or typed texts to produce something new.

ANNALIES KLOPHAUS presents very expressive calligraphic variations on and with the theme "Mensch" (human being).

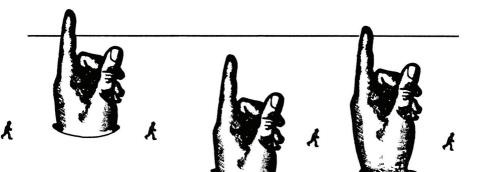
JAN KOBLASA During his first visit to America he was impressed by the country and its people. To express his enthusiasm, Koblasa inscribed a computer print-out with Gertrude Stein's "The Making of America."

HELGE LEIBERG This young artist from East Berlin is now a resident of West Berlin. Leiberg combines available texts with his style of "neue wilde Malerei," the new wild painting.

REINHOLD METZ Born in 1942, Metz is rewriting the book "Don Quixote" in the style of "before" Guttenberg. Since 1980, 120 linocuts have been completed.

FRANZ MON Born in 1926, Franz Mon lives in Frankfurt, and is the author of prose, lyric poetry, radio plays, and visual texts. Mon collages newspaper material.

KAREL TRINKEVITZ Previous artworks includes "hanging objects," clothing that has been painted and transformed to become banners.



DEADLINE FEBRUARY 15!!!!



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