



What: *Murmurama*

An Art Fair Celebration hosted by Oakland Art Murmur

When: Saturday May 21, 2011, 7 – 10 PM

Where: Downtown Oakland, CA

Between 23<sup>rd</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> Streets, between Telegraph Avenue and Broadway,  
and Grand Avenue between Broadway and Webster

Close to 19<sup>th</sup> Street BART station

Paid parking lots and street parking available nearby

**Oakland, CA** – Oakland Art Murmur is pleased to announce the first annual *Murmurama*, a multi-venue celebration including art exhibitions, artist talks, live music, food, wine tasting, art and dance performances, video screenings and more. *Murmurama* will take place on the Saturday evening of the San Francisco art fair weekend. Art fair attendees from afar are invited to take part in the thriving and nationally recognized Oakland art scene generated by the artists and galleries behind Oakland Art Murmur. Bay Area locals are encouraged to enjoy some of the region's most refreshing art and numerous gallery activities on a night other than ever-popular First Fridays.

At least ten galleries within walking distance of one another will open their doors and host special events between the hours of 7 and 10 PM. Participating galleries include Buzz Gallery, ERA, Chandra Cerrito Contemporary, Hatch Gallery, Johansson Projects, Krowwork, Mercury 20 Gallery, PHOTO, Studio Quercus and **Vessel Gallery**.

Below is a schedule of events and art exhibitions on view during *Murmurama*.

**Gallery / Venue**

(address in Oakland)

<b>Exhibition</b>	<b>Special Events / Offerings</b>	<b>Time</b>
<p><b>Buzz Gallery</b> (2318 Telegraph Avenue) <i>Dystopian Musings:</i> Works by Abby Martin</p>	<p>Live Music by Goodriddler, Early and Often</p>	<p>7-8 PM</p>
<p><b>ERA</b> (19 Grand Avenue) <i>Misfortune &amp; Fame:</i> Goser, Johnny-xray, Germs, Silencer, Dayser, 4 get, Amuse, Ferm, Vote</p>	<p>Happy Hour Specials Little Delights by Tamarindo</p>	<p>7-10 PM 7-10 PM</p>
<p><b>Chandra Cerrito Contemporary</b> (480 23<sup>rd</sup> Street) <i>Photo-Synthesis:</i> Stephen Galloway Young Kim, Penny Olson</p>	<p>Live Music by Kara Alexis Young Project Fashion Infiltration by Claudia Tennyson Wine Tasting by Big Vine Wines</p>	<p>8-9:30 PM 7-10 PM 7-10 PM</p>
<p><b>Hatch Gallery</b> (492 23<sup>rd</sup> Street) <i>A Very Prophetable Time:</i> New Work by Jeremiah Jenkins</p>	<p>Performance by Jeremiah Jenkins: "It's all over now: judgment day and what to do tomorrow"</p>	<p>7-10 PM</p>
<p><b>Johansson Projects</b> (2300 Telegraph Avenue) Homer Flynn: <i>From the Archives</i> <i>of the Residents</i></p>	<p>Video Screenings by Homer Flynn</p>	<p>7-9 PM</p>

<b>Krowwork</b> (480 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street, Side Entrance) <i>Circumscribing the Liminal:</i> Naaman Rosen, Teresa Cunniff, Malak Helmy	Opening Reception	7-10 PM
<b>Mercury 20 Gallery</b> (475 25 <sup>th</sup> Street) Charlie Milgrim: <i>On the Precipice</i> Kathleen King, Dave Meeker, Laura van Duren: <i>The Gyre</i> <i>Mercury Multiples</i>	Live Music (TBA) Informal Artist Talks Refreshments	TBA 7-10 PM 7-10 PM
<b>PHOTO</b> (473 25 <sup>th</sup> Street) <i>Counterpoint:</i> Lisa Levine, Peter Tonningsen	Artists Talk by Lisa Levine and Peter Tonningsen	7-7:45 PM
<b>Studio Quercus</b> (385 26 <sup>th</sup> Street) Alex Jackson: <i>Selective Nature</i>	Artist Talk by Alex Jackson Live Music by Cluster Pluck	7-7:45 PM 8-10 PM
<b>Vessel Gallery</b> (471 25 <sup>th</sup> Street) <i>Spring Showcase:</i> Elisa Bongfeldt, Ema, Natalie Cartwright, Walter James Mansfield, Cyrus Tilton, Bryson Bost, Luke Heimbigner, Mari Marks	Spring Festival Dance Performance by Chinese Folk Dance Association Experimental Music by Eurostache Wine Tasting by Two Mile	7:30 PM 8:30 PM 7-10 PM

Farley's East café (33 Grand Avenue) will be open until 9 PM and will provide free coffee cards at *Murmurama* galleries.

*Murmurama* galleries will collect donations benefiting victims of Japan's earthquake and tsunami.

*Murmurama* is free and open to the public, although select activities may require a fee.

### **About Oakland Art Murmur**

The mission of the Oakland Art Murmur is to support art and cultural venues that are dedicated to increasing popular awareness of and participation in the arts of Oakland. We promote the arts community through collective marketing and outreach efforts and organize a monthly First Friday Art Walk event, Art Murmur, which is free and open to the public.

Chloe Veltman of the *New York Times* calls Oakland Art Murmur “a bazaar of cultural activity...What began as a predominantly hipster local crowd now includes visitors from around the Bay and beyond. Serious art buyers from as far away as New York, Miami and Rio de Janeiro have also begun turning up.” In an article for Los Angeles based *Art Ltd.* magazine, DeWitt Cheng writes, “over the past decade” Oakland “has developed a vibrant art scene, often compared to Brooklyn.”