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The 4th Annual Transformer Silent Auction & Benefit Party

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Transformer proudly presents **The 4th Annual Transformer Silent Auction & Benefit Party** taking place Saturday, November 17, 2007, 7–10pm in John Dreyfuss' Sculpture Studio at **Halcyon House**, 34th and Prospect Streets NW. This very special, one-night only event features an exciting array of over 125 artworks in a variety of mediums, dimensions and prices by more than 100 of DC's leading emerging and established artists. Participating artists include:

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Innovative and cutting-edge – Transformer is a vital arts organization advancing contemporary visual arts in DC and beyond. As Transformer's primary fundraising event, The Annual Transformer Silent Auction & Benefit Party, now in its 4th year, is a uniquely collaborative event involving an impressive array of artists, curators, gallerists, collectors and other arts enthusiasts, all lending their talent and resources to support Transformer's important work on behalf of emerging visual artists and artistic experimentation.

Providing essential support for this dynamic organization's yearround programming, exhibitions, and services – The 4th Annual Transformer Silent Auction & Benefit Party is an ideal way to experience and purchase an informed sampling of work by Washington's top contemporary artists, while connecting with a fun, sophisticated and smart audience. The Annual Auction & Benefit Party celebrates and supports Transformer's programming and raises the visibility of a diverse range of contemporary art and artists in the Washington, DC area.

Expanding Transformer's mission of artist-centered programming, we are thrilled to have this year's Auction at Halcyon House in the gorgeous studio of Washington's leading sculptor, John Dreyfuss. In addition to viewing and bidding on an eclectically curated mix of salon-style hung artworks in this superb Georgetown location, patrons are encouraged to groove to the beats of Djs Yellow Fever and enjoy delicious complimentary hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer throughout the evening provided by some of DC's finest restaurants, including: Bombay Club, Buck's Fishing & Camping, Café Saint-Ex, Comet Ping-Pong, Hook, Jaleo, Leopold's Kafe, Mate, Perry's, Rosa Mexicano, Sea Catch, Viridian and Zaytinya.

With a growing reputation as an awesome party and fantastic opportunity for beginning and seasoned collectors to purchase some of the best visual art that DC has to offer, attendance to the auction is sure to sell out, so buy your tickets early! Attendance is \$100 if received by 10.27.07; \$125 after this date. Attendance is on a first paid, first secured basis.

All ticketed guests will receive a bidding number at the event. Silent auction bidding will take place from 7–9:30 pm. Auction lots will begin to close at 9 pm. This year Transformer is able to accept cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, and AMEX payment on ticket and

art sales. It is encouraged that works sold at the auction be taken that night.

Now in its sixth year of operations, Transformer is continually advancing its mission to connect and promote emerging visual artists based locally, nationally and internationally. Since Transformer's inception, the organization has presented over forty comprehensive exhibitions showcasing the work of more than 500 artists - many of whom have gone on to achieve incredible success in their careers.

Proceeds from the 4th Annual Transformer Silent Auction & Benefit Party will match recent grant awards, directly supporting artists through artist honoraria, exhibition material costs, and related programming support. In addition to supporting exhibitions, proceeds will support artists through the funding of Transformer programs such as The Exercises - a peer-mentorship program for emerging artists, as well as The Framework Panel Series, and our ongoing professional development work to help artists help themselves. Recognized as a leader in the visual arts field, Transformer is one of a select group of organizations awarded participation in The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Art's Warhol Initiative, as well as the DC Commission on the Arts' UPSTART program.

For further info on Transformer and the 4th Annual Transformer Silent Auction & Benefit Party contact Transformer at 202.483.1102, info@transformergallery.org or visit our website at: www. transformergallery.org.

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