

# Paris - San Francisco Artist Exchange

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What: **Paris - San Francisco Artist Exchange's** U.S. Group Exhibition  
When: *Opening Reception:* Friday, October 13, 6-10pm  
*Exhibition Dates:* Friday and Saturday 11am-10pm, Sunday 11am-6pm, October 13-15  
Where: Cachi Art Studio, 312 Valencia Street at 14th, San Francisco, CA 94103  
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Sixteen San Francisco-based artists of the Paris - San Francisco Artist Exchange are pleased to welcome visual artists from Paris, France for a joint exhibition this October, to coincide with San Francisco's "Open Studios" event.

The Paris - San Francisco Artist Exchange began in October 2005 when nearly 30 American artists from San Francisco and Chicago participated in Paris Open Studios. As part of a series of international cultural exchanges coordinated by the Paris-based arts association "Le Génie de la Bastille," the French and American artists exhibited work together in locations throughout the Bastille neighborhood in Paris. The American artists received a warm welcome from their Parisian hosts, city officials, and hundreds of exhibition guests.

This year, the San Francisco artists are pleased to reciprocate by hosting sixteen Parisian artists and including them in the annual San Francisco Open Studios. The French artists and their San Francisco hosts will participate in a joint exhibition at the Cachi Art Studio during the Mission District Open Studios weekend. The opening reception and weekend exhibition celebrate a bond of creativity and artistic freedom that connects artists and art lovers, regardless of their cultural background or homeland. The following San Francisco and French artists are taking part in the Paris - San Francisco Artist Exchange in October 2006:

**Annie Margaret Arrasmith**, printmaker (*host to printmaker **Jean-Jacques LaPoirie** of Paris*)  
**Dominique Bayart**, painter (*host to photographer **Véronic Roux-Voloir** of Paris*)  
**Jonah Burlingame**, painter (*host to painters **Liliane Maurin** and **Rena Tzolakis** of Paris*)  
**Mitchell Durkee**, ceramicist (*host to **Tracy Mead** of Paris*)  
**Diane Rollins Feissel**, painter (*host to photographer **Marcel Roger** of Paris*)  
**Cheryl Finrock**, painter (*host to painter **Jacqueline Fauchere-Fruchere** of Paris*)  
**April Hankins**, painter (*host to multimedia artist **Ludovic DeVita** of Paris*)  
**Andrzej Michael Karwacki**, painter (*host to painter **Patrick Lipski** of Paris*)  
**Gina Jacupke**, painter (*host to painters **Tracy Mead** and **Jacques Pibot** of Paris*)  
**Michele King**, painter (*host to painter **Sonia Burel** of Paris*)  
**Jamie Kruger**, photographer (*host to sculptor **Polska** of Paris*)  
**Camilla Newhagen**, sculptor (*host to sculptor/multimedia artist **Jean Chazy** of Paris*)  
**Silvia Poloto**, painter (*host to painter and mixed media artist **Danielle Loisel** of Paris*)  
**Ellen Rosenthal**, photographer (*host to photographer and mixed-media artist **Isabelle Gaudin** of Paris*)  
**Ari Salomon**, photographer (*host to photographer/mixed-media artist **Claudine Capdeville** of Paris*)  
**Catherine Small**, painter (*host to photographer **Jean-Robert Franco** of Paris*)

The participants represent years of artistic experience and a wide variety of visual media. The San Francisco artists have exhibited work in many Bay Area galleries and arts organizations, including Toomey-Turrell Gallery, HANG ART, Micaela Gallery, Vener Gallery, LIMN Gallery, 66balmy, the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Artists Gallery and Kala Art Institute, among others. Many have also exhibited in other U.S. cities as well as internationally in France, Germany, the Czech Republic, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Denmark, England and the United Arab Emirates.