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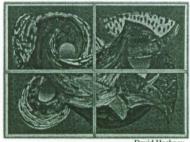
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# "BEST IMPRESSIONS: 35 YEARS OF PRINTS AND SCULPTURE FROM GEMINI G.E.L."

# ON VIEW AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART NOVEMBER 4, 2001 – JANUARY 21, 2002



David Hockney
Going Round, 1994
lithograph and screenprint on Arches 88 paper
Gemini G.E.L.
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WASHINGTON, DC – Since 1981 the National Gallery of Art has been home to the complete archive collection of one of America's greatest printmaking workshops, Gemini G.E.L. (Graphic Editions Limited). This exhibition highlights approximately 50 of the finest prints and works of edition sculpture produced by 50 of the foremost contemporary artists who have collaborated with Gemini's master printers and artisans over the last 35 years. The show is on view in the East Building from November 4, 2001 through January 21, 2002, and heralds the Gallery's first online catalogue raisonné surveying Gemini's publications from 1966 to 1996.

"From its beginnings, Gemini has introduced cutting-edge methods of fabrication to realize the visions of its invited artists," said Earl A. Powell III, director, National Gallery of Art. "We are pleased to present these innovative works by some of the greatest names in contemporary art."

#### THE EXHIBITION



Robert Rauschenberg Booster, 1967 ograph and silkscreen on Curtis Rap paper National Gallery of Art, Washington, ift of Dr. and Mrs. Maclyn E. Wade, 1978 © Robert Rauschenberg and Gemini G.E.L./ VAGA, New York, N.Y.

Best Impressions: 35 Years of Prints and Sculpture from Gemini G.E.L. reviews the work of many of the artists who have published with Gemini G.E.L. since its earliest days. The images range from Robert Rauschenberg's early-career masterpiece Booster, which redefined the possibilities of size and scale of contemporary prints when it was published in 1967, to David Hockney's Going Round (1994), which explored fresh possibilities of integrating computerenhanced imagery in fine art prints.

Long time Gemini artist Roy Lichtenstein produced many series of prints at Gemini. He is here represented with one of his Asian-inspired landscapes created with enlarged Ben Day dots, which he completed shortly before his death in 1997. Included among the many other masters who have worked at Gemini over a long period are Jasper Johns, Ellsworth Kelly, and Claes Oldenburg.

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Vija Celmins

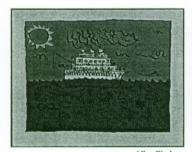
Constellation-Uccello, 1983
aquatint and etching on Fabriano Rossaspina paper
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Artist, 1988 © Gemini G.E.L. and the Artist

Visitors will see an astonishing range of explorations by artists at Gemini, from the intimate to the Herculean. A delicate intaglio by Vija Celmins counterpoints an immense multi part lithograph by French conceptual artist Daniel Buren. Imaginative edition sculpture includes T'ang (1977) by Mark di Suvero, a work in steel composed of jigsaw-puzzle-like pieces that can be assembled in multiple configurations, and Krone by Edward Kienholz and Nancy Reddin Kienholz, a humorous yet ominous sculptural still life enhanced with sound.



Elizabeth Murray
Thirty-Eight: Trying To. 1993
lithograph and screenprint construction with hand-applied pa
handmade paper, Meirat Velasquez paper, and 4-ply museu
Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Lee and Ann Fe
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In addition, abstract expressionist Robert Motherwell and surrealist Man Ray are represented, as well as key artists who emerged in the pop art era, such as James Rosenquist and Edward Ruscha. Other figures explore the realm of abstraction, including Josef Albers, Frank Stella, and Richard Serra, or reflect the growth of conceptual art, such as John Baldessari. A blossoming of expressive figuration is seen in the imaginative prints of Elizabeth Murray and Saul Steinberg, as well as in Susan Rothenberg's mysterious and atmospheric images.



Allen Ginsberg
Unitiled #2, 1997

lithograph and screenprint on Rives BFK paper
National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Lee and
Ann Fensterstock, 2000

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The work of artists new to Gemini is also included in the exhibition, for example an image by poet/artist Allen Ginsberg, provocative work by Robert Gober, a groundbreaking print by Ann Hamilton, and a lyrical etching with lithograph by Brice Marden. The show is enhanced by a sculpture by architect/artist Frank Gehry, based on a design he utilized on a much larger scale as an architectural element for a bank atrium in Germany.

# **CURATOR AND CATALOGUE**

The online Gemini G.E.L. catalogue raisonné will be free to the public on the Gallery's Web site at www.nga.gov and will be updated periodically. Charles Ritchie, assistant curator of modern prints and drawings, coordinated the exhibition and catalogue.

# NATIONAL GALLERY INFORMATION

The National Gallery of Art and its Sculpture Garden, located on the National Mall between Third and Ninth Streets at Constitution Avenue, NW, are open Monday through Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday from 11 am to 6 pm. The Gallery is closed on December 25 and January 1. Admission is free. For general information, call (202) 737-4215; call the Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (202) 842-6176; or visit the Gallery's Web site at <a href="https://www.nga.gov">www.nga.gov</a>.

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National Gallery of Art

4 November 2001 - 20 January 2002

- Isamu Noguchi
   American, 1904-1988
   Giacometti's Shadow, 1982
   galvanized steel
   197.5 x 41.9 x 43.2 cm (77 3/4 x 16 1/2 x 17)
   National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Roger P. Sonnabend, 1986
   © Gemini G.E.L. and the Artist
- Claes Oldenburg
   American, born 1929
   Sneaker Lace Sculpture, 1990
   cast stainless steel, hand-painted by the artist 132.1 x 58.4 x 102.9 cm (52 x 23 x 40 1/2)
   Loaned by Gemini G.E.L.
   © Gemini G.E.L. and the Artist
- 3. Robert Graham
  American, born 1938
  Untitled, 1982
  porcelain in black and white
  29.9 x 21.6 x 21.6 cm (11 3/4 x 8 1/2 x 8 1/2)
  Gift of Gemini G.E.L., 2001
  © Gemini G.E.L. and the Artist
- Willem de Kooning
   → American, 1904-1997
   Untitled, 1972
   cast pewter
   16.5 x 27.9 x 6 cm (6 1/2 x 11 x 2 3/8)
   National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Gemini G.E.L., 1981
   © Willem de Kooning and Gemini G.E.L. / Artists Rights Society (ARS), New York
- John Chamberlain
  American, born 1927
  Le Molé, 1971
  edition sculpture of polyester resin, aluminum, and silicon oxide
  17.8 x 19.1 x 1 7.8 cm (7 x 7 1/2 x 7)
  Gift of Gemini G.E.L., 2001.
  © John Chamberlain and Gemini G.E.L. / Artists Rights Society (ARS), New York

# 7. Brice Marden

♦ American, born 1938

Eagles Mere Muses, 2001

etching and lithograph on Somerset Satin White paper

plate: 43.2 x 65.8 cm (17 x 25 7/8); sheet: 55.8 x 76.2 cm (21 15/16 x 30)

Gift of Gemini G.E.L. LLC, 2001

#### 8. Dorothea Rockburne

American, born 1934

Uriel, 1983

lithograph on Transpagra, printed on both sides; mounted on ragboard

sheet: 99.8 x 80.5 cm (39 5/16 x 31 11/16)

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# 9. Edward Kienholz and Nancy Reddin Kienholz

American, 1927-1994; American, born 1943

Krone, 1981

nickel-plated gasoline can with Fresnel lens system and light bulb mounted on wooden table with fabric doily and plastic ashtray and including a cassette player with tapes

101 x 50.2 cm (39 3/4 x 19 3/4)

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#### 10. Richard Diebenkorn

American, 1922 - 1993

Twelve, 1985

lithograph on Arches 88 paper

sheet: 112 x 87 cm (44 1/8 x 34 1/4)

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# 11. Roy Lichtenstein

# ♦ American, 1923 - 1997

Landscape with Poet, 1996

lithograph and screenprint on Lanaquarelle watercolor paper

sheet: 229.9 x 91.8 cm (90 1/2 x 36 1/8)

National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Lee and Ann Fensterstock, 2000

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#### 12. Ben Shahn

American, 1898 - 1969

Lavina, 1966

lithograph on Rives BFK paper

sheet: 76.4 x 55.9 cm (30 1/16 x 22)

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# 13. Man Ray

American, 1890-1976

Hands, 1966

screenprint on plexiglass

Plexiglas panel: 68.6 x 53.3 cm (27 x 21)

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#### 14. Anni Albers

American, 1899-1994

TR III, 1970

screenprint in gold with embossing on Handmade Waterleaf paper

sheet: 42 x 47 cm (16 1/2 x 18 1/2)

National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Benjamin B. Smith, 1985

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#### Josef Albers

American, 1888-1976

White Line Square XI, 1966

lithograph on Arches Cover paper

image: 40 x 40 cm (15 3/4 x 15 3/4); sheet: 52.6 x 52.6 cm (20 3/4 x 20 3/4)

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#### Richard Serra

♦ American, born 1939

D.T.E., 1999

etching in black on Somerset Satin paper

1.515 x 1.211 (59 5/8 x 47 11/16)

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# 17. Frank Stella

♦ American, born 1936

Double Gray Scramble, 1973

screenprint on Arches 88 paper

sheet: 73.7 x 128.9 cm (29 x 50 3/4)

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# 18. Andy Warhol

American, 1928 - 1987

Vote McGovern, 1972

screenprint on Arches 88 paper

sheet: 106.5 x 106.5 cm (42 x 42)

National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Benjamin B. Smith, 1985

© Andy Warhol and Gemini G.E.L. / Artists Rights Society (ARS), New York

# 19. Robert Rauschenberg

♦ American, born 1925

Booster, 1967

lithograph and silkscreen on Curtis Rag paper

sheet: 182.9 x 90.2 cm (72 x 35 1/2)

National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Dr. and Mrs. Maclyn E. Wade, 1978

© Robert Rauschenberg and Gemini G.E.L./ VAGA, New York, N.Y.

#### 20. Jasper Johns

♦ American, born 1930

Periscope I, 1979

7-color lithograph on Arches 88 paper

142.9 x 104.1 cm (56 1/4 x 41)

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© Jasper Johns and Gemini G.E.L./VAGA, New York, N.Y.

#### 21. Robert Motherwell

American, 1915-1991

Harvest, with Two White Stripes, 1973

lithograph, pochoir, and collage on Hawthorne of Larroque paper image:  $76.2 \times 30.3$  cm ( $30 \times 11 \times 15/16$ ); sheet:  $90.1 \times 45.6$  cm ( $35 \times 18$ )

National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Gemini G.E.L., 1991

© Dedalus Foundation, Inc./ VAGA, New York, N.Y.

#### 22. Edward Ruscha

American, born 1937

Girls, 1982

lithograph on Arches 88 paper

sheet: 63.5 x 86.4 cm (25 x 34)

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# 23. R.B. Kitaj

British, born 1932

Aviator, 1971

lithograph with collaged photograph on Special Arjomari paper

sheet: 40.6 x 40.6 cm (16 x 16)

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#### 24. James Rosenquist

# ♦ American, born 1933

While the Earth Revolves at Night, 1982

aquatint on Somerset Satin paper

plate: 60 x 41.1 cm (23 5/8 x 16 3/16); sheet: 85.1 x 66.4 cm (33 1/2 x 26 1/8)

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#### Donald Judd

American, 1928-1994

Untitled, 1971

stainless steel with brown acrylic sheet

10.2 x 58.4 x 68.6 cm (4 x 23 x 27)

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© Donald Judd Estate/VAGA, New York, N.Y.

#### 26. Mark Di Suvero

American, born 1933

T'ang, 1977

torch-cut steel plate in five pieces

37.8 x 32.7 x 1.6 cm (14 7/8 x 12 7/8 x 5/8)

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# 27. Michael Heizer

American, born 1944

Scrap Metal Drypoint #6, published 1978

drypoint in sepia on uncalendered Arches 88 paper

sheet: 89.2 x 212.4 cm (35 1/8 x 84)

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# 28. Daniel Buren

French, born 1938

Situated Lithographs: Five Out of Eleven (see separate records for series a-j), 1989

lithograph on Rives BFK paper

sheet, minimum overall installation: 247.7 x 529.6 cm (97 1/2 x 208 1/2)

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#### 29. Keith Sonnier

American, born 1941

Abaca Code-Circles: CI, 1976

hand-cast paper with stamping

diameter: 223.5 cm (88)

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# 30. Jonathan Borofsky

American, born 1942

Hammering Man at No. 3302552, 1990

collage and screenprint with La Paloma handmade paper

365.8 x 175.3 x 7.6 cm (144 x 69 x 3)

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# 31. David Hockney

# ♦ British, born 1937

Going Round, 1994

lithograph and screenprint on Arches 88 paper

overall size: 121.9 x 165.1 cm (48 x 65); 58.4 x 81.3 cm (23 x 32); 62.9 x 85.1 cm (24 3/4 x 33 1/2)

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# 32. Ellsworth Kelly

American, born 1923

Purple/Red/Gray/Orange, 1988

lithograph on Arches 88 paper

sheet: 131.4 x 567.7 cm (51 3/4 x 223 1/2)

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# 33. Sam Francis

American, 1923-1994

Mountain's Gate, 1984

left half of two-part lithograph on Arches 88 paper

each sheet: 152.4 x 127.2 cm (60 x 50 1/8); panels assembled side by side: 152.4 x 254.6 cm (60 x 100 1/4)

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#### 34. Bruce Nauman

American, born 1941

Untitled, 1987

cast iron beams with grit blast finish

overall size, beams assembled: 25.1 x 217.3 x 217.3 cm (9 7/8 x 85 9/16 x 85 9/16)

Dr. and Mrs. Phillip T. George

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# 35. Saul Steinberg

American, 1914-1999

Cedar Bar

etching on Rives BFK White paper

plate: 13 x 11.3 cm (5 1/8 x 4 7/16); sheet: 39.9 x 35.5 cm (15 11/16 x 14) National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Lee and Ann Fensterstock, 2000

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#### 36. Ann Hamilton

written, 2000

embossing on Hahnemuhle Copperplate paper

sheet: 56.2 x 76.2 cm (22 1/8 x 30); plate: 43.3 x 53.2 cm (17 1/16 x 20 15/16)

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# 37. James Turrell

American, born 1943

Roden Crater, 1986

Philipine mahogany box with fiberglass topographical model of Roden Crater, dirt from the site, statement book, and portfolio

overall size, box closed: 17.5 x 82.9 x 58.9 cm (6 7/8 x 32 5/8 x 23 3/16)

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#### 38. Dan Flavin

American, 1933 - 1996

(to Don Judd, colorist)6, 1987

lithograph on John Koller HMP Special Green paper

sheet: 72.8 x 101.8 cm (28 3/4 x 40 1/8)

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# 39. Vija Celmins

#### ♦ Constellation - Uccello, 1983

aquatint and etching on Fabriano Rosaspina white paper

Left Pl: 22.2 x 15.5 cm (8 3/4 x 6 1/8); right Pl: 25 x 17.5 cm (9 7/8x6 7/8); sheet: 69.5 x 58.8 cm (27 3/8 x 23 1/8)

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#### 40. Allen Ginsberg

#### ♦ American, 1926-1997

Untitled #2, 1997

lithograph and screenprint on Rives BFK paper

sheet: 58.4 x 72.4 cm (23 x 28 1/2)

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#### 41. Malcolm Morley

American, born 1931

Erotic Fruitos, 1993

intaglio on Rives BFK White paper

plate:  $103.8 \times 77.5 \text{ cm}$  (40 7/8 x 30 1/2); sheet:  $120.6 \times 90.1 \text{ cm}$  (47 1/2 x 35  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Lee and Ann Fensterstock, 2000

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#### 42. Robert Gober

Untitled, 2000

lithograph in black on Fabriano Tiepolo paper

77.1 x 112.5 cm (30 3/8 x 44 5/16)

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# 43. Elizabeth Murray

# ♦ American, born 1940

Thirty-Eight: Trying To, 1993

lithograph and screenprint construction with hand-applied pastel on Colombe handmade paper, Meirat Velasquez paper, and 4-ply museum board

image: 74.3 x 58.4 x 5.7 cm (29 1/4 x 23 x 2 1/4); sheet: 88.9 x 73.7 cm (35 x 29) National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Lee and Ann Fensterstock, 2000

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# 44. Darryl Pottorf

Quattro Mani II

screenprint on Lanaquarelle Watercolor paper sheet: 101.4 x 101 cm (39 15/16 x 39 3/4)

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# 45. Susan Rothenberg

American, born 1945

Tilting, 1986

woodcut and lithograph on P.T.I. Supra 100 paper

image: 117 x 126.9 cm (46 1/8 x 49 15/16); sheet: 137.1 x 145.2 cm 54 x 57 3/16) National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Gemini G.E.L. and the Artist, 1989

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#### 46. Philip Guston

American, 1913 - 1980

Coat, 1980

lithograph on Arches Cover paper

sheet: 81.3 x 108 cm (32 x 42 1/2)

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#### 47. Ronald Davis

American, born 1937

Drypoint Nu, 1981

drypoint and roulette on Arches Cover paper

plate: 17.5 x 7.6 cm (6 7/8 x 3); sheet: 34 x 22.8 cm (13 3/8 x 9)

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#### 48. John Baldessari

American, born 1931

A French Horn Player, A Square Blue Moon, and Other Subjects: Two Bowlers (with Questioning Person), 1994 color lithograph and screenprint on Arches 88 paper

sheet: 121.9 x 92.7 cm (48 x 36 1/2)

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#### 49. Frank Gehry

♦ Canadian, born 1929

Untitled, 2001

Fiberglas

71.1 x 154.9 x 111.8 cm (28 x 61 x 44)

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