

For immediate release

Sticky Valentines

What

New paintings by Mark Ostapchuk

When

January 2 – February 21, 2015 Gallery hours: Thursday – Saturday 12:00 – 6:00 pm and by appointment Free and open to the public

Public Reception

Saturday, January 3, 2015, 6:00 – 8:00 pm Free and open to the public

Where

Form+Content Gallery Whitney Square Building 210 North 2nd Street, Suite 104 Minneapolis, MN 55401 Metered street parking

Information

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Description

Form+Content Gallery presents **Sticky Valentines**, an exhibition of new paintings by Mark Ostapchuk. His recent pieces play with lush color schemes, quirky shapes and obsessive patterns. The bulk of this show consists of small paintings whose iterations go through revisions in layers and veils of sticky paint. These little pictures aim towards a certain poignancy. The old single, *Alison*, comes to mind. Here Elvis Costello proclaims, "I'm not going to get too sentimental, like those other sticky valentines".

Artist Biography

Mark Ostapchuk lives and works in Minneapolis. He has shown in the Minneapolis College of Art and Design Gallery, University of Minnesota Gallery (now Weisman Art Museum), Soap Factory (Minneapolis) and the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Mark Ostapchuk received his master of fine art in drawing and painting from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. His awards include the McKnight Foundation Artist Fellowship.



Press Images

For high-res images: <u>https://www.dropbox.com/home/Sticky%20Valentines</u> or contact gallery at: <u>formandcontent@gmail.com</u>

1_Ostapchuk Mark Ostapchuk *Badge*, 2014 Oil on wood panel, 24" x 24"

2_Ostapchuk Mark Ostapchuk *Terrance*, 2014 Oil on paper on MDF board, 9" x 12"

3_Ostapchuk Mark Ostapchuk *Triggers*, 2014 Oil on paper on MDF board, 9" x 12"

4_Ostapchuk Mark Ostapchuk *Coronation Eve*, 2014 Oil on wood panel, 12" x 24"

5_Ostapchuk Mark Ostapchuk *Matins*, 2014 Oil on wood panel, 12" x 24"

6_Ostapchuk Mark Ostapchuk *Dogtown Stunt*, 2014 Oil on canvas, 12" x 18"

Mission Statement

Form+Content Gallery nurtures diverse artistic practice and thoughtful dialogue. We value art as a catalyst for critical thinking. We value integrity and the artistic process. We aspire to link personal expression to broader social contexts. Form+Content Gallery is dedicated to moving the definitions and practice of culture forward in new and lively ways.