

Pottorf, Rey featured at Arts for ACT event

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Join Arts for ACT Gallery, located at 2265 First Street in downtown Fort Myers, on Friday, Nov. 7, from 7 to 10 p.m. for the November "Meet the Artists" opening reception, featuring artists Darryl Pottorf, Renee Rey and the Core Artists from Howl Gallery.

Mr. Pottorf has been creating complex, inspiring works for more than 30 years, continuously pushing the boundaries of his medium and subject matter. He has traveled extensively, and his work reflects his love of classical and architectural forms. He uses the photographs he takes in a provocative manner to add content and humor to his work.

His mediums include UV-coated watercolor on polylamine, black and silver toner on lexan, and acrylic on aluminum. With each of these media, he employs the photo transfer process that he began using in the late '80s, first in black and white and then in color, which has come to characterize his more recent output. His pieces have been described as lyrical, robust, beautifully composed, bold, perceptive and very satisfying.

Mr. Pottorf collaborated with Robert Rauschenberg on a series of outstanding exhibitions. Mr. Pottorf's work has been



exhibited at major galleries and museums throughout the world.

Renee Rey is a multi-disciplinary, award-winning artist born in Sagami-hara, Japan. Since childhood, she has had an affinity to and a fascination with country and its people. Being of French, Armenian, Jewish and Christian descent, she takes pride in her multi-cultural and religious heritage and feels it has influenced her art. "Bound by Har-

mony" is a result of this. The artworks pay homage to spirituality, individual and collective identity and the connection between past and present, and between people around the world. For her, the thread that binds us physically and spiritually is the universal theme of harmony, peace and mutual respect. Partake in this poetic installation of paintings, drawings, mixed media and the written and spoken work. It is an exhibit not to be missed.

The Core Artists from Howl Gallery will feature a selection of work from local talent. Artists on display will include pop artist and co-owner Andy Howl, rock poster and album artist Bridey Bowen, graphic designer Andrya Campbell, day of the Dead Skull artist Ana Caballero and pop art stencil artist Brass. Howl Gallery will be opening in downtown Fort Myers in late December next to Starbucks. ■

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