# Visual Arts News December 2, 2011

### **Results of the:**

**GREAT DEBATES:** The Theory Throwdown Held on: Tuesday Nov. 29 > 3:00-5:00 pm, VAC 247

### **Re: Theory**

Be it resolved that engagement with modern and contemporary 'theory' by artists, historians and critics has benefitted the development of art and its discourses.

Kyla Brown, Diana Yoo, and Stephanie Wittich argued for the Affirmative to win this debate!

## **Re: Art and Education**

Be it resolved that graduate education in art (practice/theory/history) should be directed towards preparing students equally for roles inside and outside the academy.

Cierra Webster, Natalie Romano, and Scott Turnbull argued for the Negative to win this debate.

## **The Final Round**

Be it resolved that Relational Aesthetics is a logical and productive extension of the project of the Avant-garde. Kyla Brown, Diana Yoo, and Stephanie Wittich argued for the Affirmative to win this debate and the "Gravitas Award" trophy !

Thanks to the students who participated, faculty and students in attendance and the judges: Heidi Kellett, Stephanie Radu and Kevin Rodgers.

Prof. Kathy Brush delivered an invited paper on "Arthur Kingsley Porter et l'expérience américaine des études françaises de l'art avant et après 1918" at an international conference on "L'Historiographie française de l'art de l'affaire Dreyfus à la Quatrième République: nouvelles perspectives" organized by the Institut national d'histoire de l'art in Paris.

#### Graduate Students:

Deadline for McIntosh Curatorial Internship is December 7th.

#### BARROCO NOVA – Neo-Baroque Moves in Contemporary Art

- the Artlab Gallery until December 16, 2011. Hours: M-F: 12:00-6:00 pm; Thursdays: 12:00-8:00 pm
- McIntosh Gallery until December 17, 2011
- Museum London until January 1, 2012

# **Upcoming Events**

Dec. 7 – classes end.

- McIntosh Curatorial Internship deadline for graduate students.

Dec. 8-9 – Study days

Dec. 10-21 - exams

Dec. 15 & 16 – 10 am-4 pm MFA Crits in VAC 206. All faculty, grads, and staff invited to attend. More details to follow next week.

Final grades for 1<sup>st</sup> term courses (course numbers ending with an "F" or "A") are due Dec. 14 or 7 days after your scheduled exam. See Marlene for details.

#### **MFA Crits**

Dec. 15 & 16 > 10 am to 4 pm > VAC 206 All faculty, grads, and staff invited to attend. More details to follow next week.

The Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA) Union Women's Committee is holding a clothing drive to benefit women and children at Women's Community House. Drop boxes for donations of suitable clothing (no holes, stains, etc.) will be available from Nov. 28 until Dec. 7. More information is available on the counter in the main office.

