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MARILYN ARTUS: Assorted American Commentary

On View: April 7, 2023 – May 21, 2023

Hours: Wednesday - Sunday, 12:00 - 5:00 pm

Opening: First Friday, April 7, 6:00 – 9:00 pm

Marilyn Artus Artist Talk: Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 5:30pm

For Immediate Release-

108|Contemporary is excited to announce our second exhibition in 2023, *Marilyn Artus: Assorted American Commentary*. On view from April 7 to May 21, 2023, this solo exhibition is sure to provide insight and perspective on American society while using mixed media and ephemera, insignificant things that were meant to only be enjoyed or used for a short time and then discarded.

Marilyn Artus explores the female experience within her art making practice. Marilyn has also been a curator, commercial artist, burlesque promoter, event planner and female artist mentor. She has created shows that explore the suffragist era in the U.S., paid tribute to an assortment of women in American history and most recently been using the American flag as a vehicle for feminist exploration.

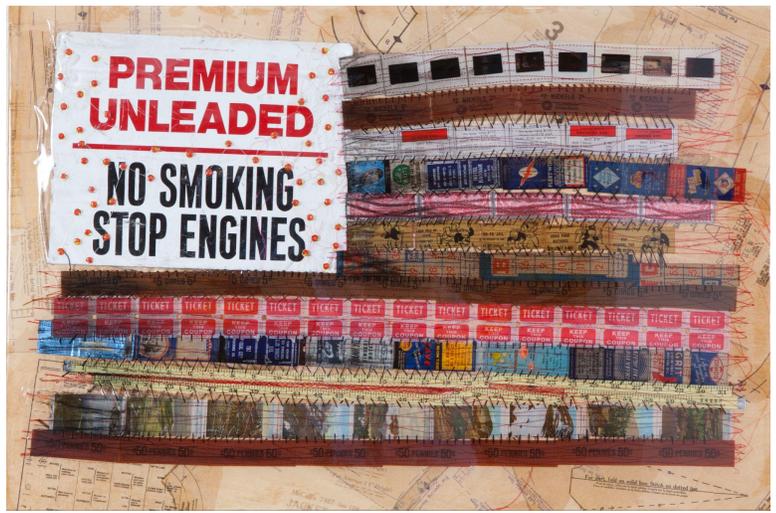
Marilyn grew up in Norman and Tulsa, Oklahoma. She spent two years of college at University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas. She then returned to Oklahoma and finished her bachelor of fine arts in printmaking from the University of Oklahoma. She worked for 13 years in the gift industry designing products and packaging for United Design Corporation and Relevant Products for manufacturing worldwide. In 2008, Marilyn became a full-time visual artist.

Some of the highlights of Marilyn's art career so far have been solo and group museum and gallery shows in Oklahoma, New York, Tennessee and Washington. The first to receive the annual Brady Craft Alliance Award for Innovation in fiber arts in 2011 and in 2010 led an art making workshop at the Brooklyn Museum in New York in association with the retrospective exhibit 'Seductive Subversion: Women Pop Artists, 1958-1968'. She was selected to exhibit in the premier exhibit of "Elevate" on the guest room floor elevator lobbies at the 21c Museum Hotel in Oklahoma City. In 2020, Marilyn completed her nationwide art project, [Her Flag](#), that celebrated the anniversary of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. *Her Flag* was exhibited at the National Museum of Women in the Arts in Washington D.C.

Join us for an artist talk with Marilyn Artus on Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 5:30pm in the gallery. Deaf-friendly interpretation will be provided.

This exhibition is generously sponsored by Walter & Associates.

108|Contemporary is a non-profit community arts organization that supports Oklahoma's contemporary fine craft artists. We envision a community where world-class craft and design exhibition programming inspires and educates audiences of all ages; where Oklahoma's cultural traditions flourish, and local artists thrive. All participants are welcome. If you need disability-related accommodations, please call +1 (918) 895-6302 or email info@108contemporary.org.



Marilyn Artus, It Saved The Day And Doomed Us All At Once