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Contessa Gallery: Featuring new works and new media by David Drebin at Art Miami 2014

Monday, December 1, 2014, Cleveland, OH – Contessa Gallery is thrilled to be participating in Art Miami, which is the leading international contemporary and modern art fair. This is a notable year for Art Miami as they celebrate their 25th anniversary. Art Miami works with the most respected and influential galleries to feature important artists and artworks from the 20th and 21st centuries. Contessa Gallery's booth will be exhibiting new works by notable Contemporary artists Mr. Brainwash, David Datuna, and David Drebin, as well as iconic works by modern masters such as Jasper Johns, Helen Frankenthaler, and Chuck Close.

David Drebin is one of the most successful and highly collected photographers working today. Contessa Gallery's 2012 exhibition, *David Drebin Photographs*, was Drebin's third one-man show at the gallery and celebrated the exclusive U.S. release of his newest book, *Beautiful Disasters*. His work was featured alongside photography giants including Penn, Avedon, and Meisel in *Fashion!*, one of the most comprehensive exhibitions of fashion photography ever mounted (Fotografiska Museet in Stockholm). Contessa Gallery will premiere new works and exhibit Drebin's most recent works in photography, lightboxes, and Neon light installations, which illuminate the secret thoughts of the *Femme Fatales* who inhabit the elusive world of his dramatic photographs. Contessa Gallery will also be world premiering and featuring Drebin's newest artistic exploration: resin sculptures transforming the *Femme Fatales* portrayed in his works into three dimensions. Contessa Gallery is excited to present Drebin as a continually evolving multi-media artist.

About Contessa Gallery

Founded in 1999, Contessa Gallery offers artworks of exceedingly high quality as well as art acquisition counsel to collectors, museums, and institutions. Areas of expertise encompass pre-twentieth century, Modern and Contemporary sculpture, paintings, photography, and works on paper. While many galleries focus primarily upon artist representation and promotion, Contessa Gallery is collector oriented. The Gallery's mission is to assist clients in developing collections that have deep personal meaning. Contessa Gallery encourages its clients to view their collections as a legacy to be passed down through generations of family or on to museums.

The gallery continues to expand its clientele and reputation through its participation in prestigious art fairs such as Art Miami, The American International Fine Art Fair (AIFAF), and The Armory Show – Modern. At the philanthropic level, Contessa Gallery seeks to make a difference in the community through the contribution of time, expertise, sponsorship, and educational programming for museums and arts organizations.

For more detailed information about the gallery, artists, exhibition history, art fair schedule, and philanthropic support, please visit our website: www.contessagallery.com or contact Steve Hartman at 216.956.2825 or via email: art@contessagallery.com.

For high-res images of the above mentioned works please contact Rebecca Roman at 216.382.7800 or via email: rebecca@contessagallery.com.