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Lawndale Artist Studio Program 2011-2012 Participating Artists Announcement

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Houston, Texas – Lawndale Art Center is pleased to announce the residents for the **sixth year** of the **Lawndale Artist Studio Program**. Artists selected for the program are **Seth Mittag, David Politzer** and **Anne J. Regan**.

With an emphasis on emerging practices, the program will provide these artists with non-residential studio space for nine months (September 2011 – May 2012) on the third floor of Lawndale Art Center in the heart of the Museum District. The artists will have full access to their studios 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Each artist will receive a **\$500** monthly stipend for the duration of the program and an initial **\$1500** unrestricted materials allowance. Artists working in all mediums were encouraged to apply. At the completion of the residency, works produced during the program will be **exhibited at Lawndale Art Center in May 2012**. The 2011-2012 residents were selected from over 61 applicants by a panel of three arts professionals; **Elaine Bradford**, Artist and Lawndale Programming Committee Member; **Rachel Hecker**, Artist & Professor, University of Houston, School of Art; and **Todd J. Tubutis**, Executive Director, Blue Sky, Portland, OR.

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About the Artists:

Seth Mittag was born in 1974 in Newport News, VA and studied at both Southwestern University and the University of Houston, where he earned his MFA in sculpture. Since 2001, his work has been exhibited throughout Texas and was included in the 2005 Texas Biennial. Shortly after, he move to New York and continued to show there along participating in a group show in Berlin. While living in New York he became involved in the film industry working as both a sculptor and art director for several stop animation projects. His film work includes clients such as Michael Eisner, Progresso Soup, The Harlem Globetrotters, Howard Johnson Hotels, Moveon.org, Firstavenuemachine and Adcouncil. His current body of work incorporates the influence of working as a professional puppet maker and his love for storytelling. Seth Mittag lives and works in Houston, TX.
sethmittag.com

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David Politzer was born in Washington DC and has since lived in Upstate New York, Boston, Brooklyn, Glasgow, Oakland, Roswell, Youngstown and now Houston, TX. He holds an MFA from Syracuse University. David's work was shown recently at the Houston Center for Photography, the New Mexico Museum of Art, Vox Populi, video_dumbo and in a solo exhibition at the Museum of Northern Arizona. He was an artist in residence at Yaddo, the Skowhegan

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School, Roswell Artist in Residence, the Vermont Studio Center and the Kala Art Institute. He currently teaches in the Photography and Digital Media Department at the University of Houston.

Politzer employs video, photography, performance and sculpture to discuss how mass media representations further confuse the vagaries of contemporary social interaction. Specifically, he is interested in portrayals of masculinity on the big and small screens, and the expectations they create. He uses an intimate and straightforward approach along with humor to address such topics as relationships, body image and self-confidence.

www.davideology.com

Anne J. Regan was born along the blues trail, howling on the banks of the Illinois River in the year of our Lord, nineteen-hundred and eighty. After living on both coasts and earning a BFA from the California College of the Arts, she consulted the stars, carefully packed her records and moved to the South. She went on to earn her MFA from the University of Houston in 2010 and continues conjuring in Texas to this day. She can be found rambling through the heavy Southern landscape or gassing up en route to another site on an endless list of musical haunts, forever on the lookout for a home.

www.annejregan.com

About Lawndale:	Lawndale Art Center is a nonprofit alternative exhibition space dedicated to the presentation of contemporary art in all media, with an emphasis on the work of Houston area artists.
For More Info:	www.lawndaleartcenter.org or askus@lawndaleartcenter.org
Gallery Hours:	Monday-Friday, 10-5; Saturday, 12-5; Closed Sunday
Admission:	Admission is free and open to the public
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