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Armory Show Announces Talks, Screenings, and Special Projects for Next Month's Fair

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Today the *Armory Show* art fair unveiled the lineup of films, videos, talks, and panels for its upcoming 2013 edition, running March 7-10 and commemorating the legendary 1913 *Armory Show*. Additionally, *Andy Warhol Museum* director and *Armory Focus: USA* curator Eric Shiner has selected of site-specific commissions to be part of the fair's Centennial celebrations.

Shiner's on-site commissions and installations include a Warholian homage by Charles Lutz, who will create a tower of



Brillo boxes at the fair, a presentation of **Dave Cole**'s "Flags of the World" (2008), which will hang from the piers' rafters throughout the fair, and a site-specific light bulb sculpture by **Peter Liversidge** intended to evoke **Gordon Matta-Clark**'s incisions at piers further down the Hudson.

The roster of lectures and discussions, *Open Forum*, has been curated by **Art in General** executive director **Anne Barlow**, while the organizers of the concurrent fair *Moving Image* has selected videos and films from exhibiting galleries to be part of the Armory Film programming. Both Open Forum and *Armory Film* will take place in the fair's media lounge on Pier 94.

A highlight of the video programming is scheduled for the day before the fair even opens, "In Search Of...Zombies" (2011), is **Matthew Day Jackson**'s 47-minute homage to a **Leonard Nimoy** TV show from the 1970s. It will be followed by a talk between Jackson and the original film's director and co-writer **David Tompkins**, and its co-director **Joseph Hung**. On March 9, **Liz Magic Laser** will premiere her commissioned piece for the fair, "The Armory Show Focus Group" (2012-2013), wherein she conducts a series of six focus groups to evaluate the fair's brand identity and the viability of her own editioned work.

For the Open Forum talks, Barlow has tapped **Felix Salmon** to moderate a discussion between Laser, Shiner, and **Alvin Hall** titled "The Psychology of Consumerism" at 1pm on March 7. Another notable talk on the fair's schedule is a discussion between **Marilyn Kushner**, **Francis Naumann**, and **Gail Stavitsky** — and moderated by revered art critic and **Yale** art school dean **Robert Storr** — titled "The Armory Show 1913: Myths and Misconceptions" at 1pm on March 8.