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Fine Art Silver announces first participation in Design Miami/

Fine Art Silver is proud to announce its first participation in Design Miami, the global forum for design, to take place in Miami, Florida, from the 4th to the 8th of December 2013. Recognized as one of the leading European galleries specializing in silver, Fine Art Silver will present a number of exceptional 20th century pieces as well as three new works by contemporary designers.

Upon its initial involvement in contemporary design when Fine Art Silver first represented the Dutch designer Piet Hein Eek and produced silver pieces by Belgian designer Neda El'Asmar, the gallery will premiere three silver objects by leading European designers Nicolas Lemoigne, Andrea Knecht and Thalen&Thalen at Design Miami. The resolve of Mr Francis Janssens van der Maelen to edit contemporary silver pieces originates in his passion for silver design and his desire to maintain the long European tradition of promoting silver objects.

The Fine Art Silver booth, designed by Allegory Studio (Geneva), will present a dialog between modern and art deco iconic silver pieces from Wolfers, Ettore Sottsass, Puiforcat, Serrurier Bovy, Georg Jensen, Luigi Genazzi, Carl Fjordingstad, Cardeillac and contemporary silver pieces edited by the gallery.

Three productions premiering at Design Miami specially created for Fine Art Silver. The work of the Brazil born, Switzerland based designer Andrea "Tete" Knecht is strongly inspired by environmental and social issues in Brazil and her previous collaborations with the Campana brothers. For Fine Art Silver, she is revisiting the "brita", a small rock type used for construction, and is transforming it into an organic silver table object.

The work of acclaimed Swiss designer and ECAL teacher Nicolas Le Moigne is pursuing his reflection on the juxtaposition of elements through a new silver chandelier.

The work of renowned Dutch designers Thalen&Thalen celebrates silver craftsmanship in presenting a monumental silver vase forged in their famous unpolished/polished mix of hammered silver.

About Fine Art Silver

Fine Art Silver is a Belgian gallery founded on 1978 by dealer Francis Janssens van der Maelen and based in the buzzing neighborhood of "Sablon" in Brussels. With over 20 participations in TEFAF Maastricht, Fine Art Silver has established itself as one of Europe's leading galleries in antique and modern silver objects and art works. In the past, the gallery has been promoting contemporary silver design by editing and representing talents such as Thalen & Talen, Neda El'Asmar, Nicolas Lemoigne, Catherine François, Tété Knecht and Piet Hein Eek.

For more information, please visit www.fineartsilver.com

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Preview of Fine Art Silver's show at Design Miami 2013:



Cardeilhac, Art deco centrepiece, circa. 1930, Paris, courtesy of the gallery.



Ettore Sottsass, Murmansk Fruit Dish, 1982, Memphis Silver, courtesy of the gallery.



Jean Puiforcat, Art Deco Centrepiece, 1937, Paris, courtesy of the gallery.