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Join us on January 26, 2011 during Target Wednesday After Hours for the opening of

gran torino the crossroads of the italian contemporary art scene



Gran Torino is a play on words; while the name brings to mind the car or the Clint Eastwood film, the title refers to Torino or Turin, one of Italy's most vibrant cities and one of the most dynamic centers of contemporary art in Europe.

The exhibit presents works from a selected group of Torino artists that are representative of not only the local but Italian situation, with their own national characteristics, in an open and stimulating debate with the international scene. Gran Torino will feature artists who have established themselves during the past 15 years along with works by artists representative of generations that emerged during the 60s, 70s, and 80s. It begins with Torino exponents of the renowned *Arte Povera* movement, such internationally acclaimed artists as Mario Merz, Alighiero Boetti, Giulio Paolini and Michelangelo Pistoletto, and introduces significant trends and movements of contemporary Italian art to American audiences.

The *Gran Torino* artists focus on the concepts of duration and continuity and the relationship between art and time. While tracing different worlds and visions over a period of 40 years, each artist displays singular intentions, reflections and experimentations within a common social, political and cultural matrix.

Join us on January 26, 2011 at 6pm for the opening reception of our season's exhibitions: *Gran Torino: Italian Contemporary Art*; *My Eyes Have Seen* by Robert Farber; *The Tale of the Unknown Island* by Esther Villalobos and Mar Solís; *As of 24-03-07* by María Brito and *Women in Motion: Fitness, Sport, and the Female Figure* in the Wolfsonian-FIU Teaching Gallery at The Frost Art Museum.

Image: Enrico Iuliano, *Composition for glass objects on Vespa*, 2005, Vespa, glass, zinc, steel sheet, hydraulic pumps and ink, 122 x 70.9 x 41.3 inches, Courtesy of the Artist



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