



MURIEL STOCKDALE : *E PLURIBUS*

January 22 - February 20, 2011

Artist's Reception: Saturday, January 22, 2011, 6:30 - 8:30PM

ARC Fine Art LLC is proud to announce the opening of Muriel Stockdale's *E Pluribus*, hailed by The Boston Globe as "witty handcrafted flags conflating the stars and stripes with textile traditions from Ireland to China to Zaire."

About *E PLURIBUS*

Muriel Stockdale's United States flag series, *E PLURIBUS*, expresses the many colors of patriotism found everyday in the United States, which is perhaps the most diverse culture in the world. Muriel's flags are exquisitely hand crafted in the USA from typical fabrics representing diverse cultures that make up this American mosaic.

As an immigrant herself, Muriel is awed by the harmonious co-existence of Americans who celebrate their freedom in all possible ways. This country was created by dissension and protest against oppression and out of that was forged superb documents and mandates that guarantee freedom and hope for all people.

Patriotism is multifaceted, multicolored and multidimensional; here is a series of surprising American Flags that invite a broader look at what patriotism is and can be in the future.

The flags are not intended as an expression of American imperialism but merely as a celebration of diversity and harmony among all people here within the United States.

It is the mission of this project to speak out and celebrate diverse America and especially to point out equality within gorgeous difference of expression. Only by recognizing each other within our rights to be different may we restore hope and freedom for all people.

E PLURIBUS - United States of America - "living together and loving each other"

ARC Fine Art is located at 3113 Bronson Road in Fairfield, Connecticut and is open by appointment. Further inquiries, please contact Adrienne Ruger Conzelman at 203 895 9595.