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PRESS RELEASE

Artifex Press announces the launch of *Jim Dine: Sculpture, 1983-present*, a digital catalogue raisonné.

Artifex Press and the New York Public Library will present a talk with Dine on February 27, 2013.

Artifex Press, a new company dedicated to the production of digital catalogues raisonnés, will celebrate the launch of the web-based catalogue raisonné for artist Jim Dine with an event at the New York Public Library. The event, which is free and open to the public, features a demonstration of the Jim Dine catalogue raisonné and a talk with the artist. Also presenting will be David Grosz, Editor in Chief of Artifex Press; and Sara Davidson, Editor of the Jim Dine Catalogue Raisonné.

Founded in 2009 by Pace Gallery's Marc Glimcher and Managing Partner/Editor in Chief David Grosz, Artifex Press has developed a patent-pending software platform for the production of catalogues raisonnés, the comprehensive catalogues detailing the entire oeuvre of key artists. On December 19, 2012, Artifex Press celebrated the launch of the Chuck Close catalogue raisonné with a similar artist talk at the NYPL. Both the Dine and the Close catalogues are currently available for free during a limited-time trial subscription as part of the Artifex Press launch.

Artifex Press is also creating catalogues raisonnés for Sol LeWitt and Agnes Martin (set to be released in 2013-14), with several others to follow.

About the artist

Jim Dine is a world-renowned artist whose painting, sculpture, drawing, photography, performance, and poetry have been the subject of hundreds of museum exhibitions for more than five decades. Dine entered the New York art scene in the late 1950s, creating and staging many of the first Happenings alongside artists such as Claes Oldenburg and Robert Whitman. In the years since, Dine has explored signature motifs such as hearts, skulls, robes, and Venuses in a wide array of mediums. Dine has been the subject of several major surveys and retrospectives since 1970, including *Drawings of Jim Dine*, a major traveling retrospective organized by the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. (2004); *Jim Dine: Walking Memory 1959–1969*, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York (1999); *Jim Dine*, Isetan Museum, Tokyo (1990–91); *Jim Dine: Five Themes*, Walker Art Center, Minneapolis (1984–85); and *Jim Dine*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York (1970). In 2011, the artist's first major retrospective devoted to sculpture opened at the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park in Grand Rapids, Michigan. It subsequently traveled to the Kennedy Museum of Art in Athens, Ohio, as *Jim Dine: Sculpture and Large Prints*; and to Nassau County Museum of Art, Roslyn Harbor, New York, as *Sculpture/Jim Dine/Pinocchio* in 2012. A solo show of the artist's new works is at Pace Gallery, New York, from February 22 to March 23, 2013.

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About Artifex Press

Artifex Press is dedicated to preserving the legacy of important artists. As part of this mission, we combine publishing with technology. Artifex Press's proprietary, patent-pending software consists of two components: a publishing application, through which the catalogue raisonné is created, and a digital archive, which enables researchers, editors, artist estates and studios, and others to store vast amounts of crucial information. In addition, the Artifex Press platform is highly flexible to enable future applications.

Artifex Press's editorial team includes former museum curators and researchers with decades of art-world experience. They gather information, research provenance, and help determine the parameters of each catalogue.

About the launch

To attend the February 27 artist talk with Jim Dine and presentation of *Jim Dine: Sculpture, 1983–present*, please contact rsvp@artifexpress.com.

Date:

February 27, 6:00–8:00 pm

Location:

New York Public Library
Stephen A. Schwarzman Building
Margaret Liebman Berger Forum
5th Avenue and 42nd Street
Room 227 (2nd Floor – north stairwell)

Doors open at 5:30 pm

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