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The Outsider Art Fair is the singular event to feature works by both celebrated and newly discovered self-taught artists from around the world. The 2015 edition of the Outsider Art Fair in New York will be held from January 29 – February 1 at Center 548 (548 West 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York, NY 10011), and will showcase 50 international galleries from 27 cities representing 8 countries.

This year's roster of veteran galleries will present legendary artists like Henry Darger, Bill Traylor, Adolf Wölfli, James Castle and Martín Ramírez among others. The fair also boasts an exciting array of first-time exhibitors like New York's **Arte del Pueblo**, which will present Haitian works from the collection of Jonathan Demme, and **Kent Fine Art** (New York), which will showcase paintings by world-renowned artist Paul Laffoley. Lower East Side dealer **Louis B. James** will feature the signature drawings of marching bands by New Orleans artist Bruce Davenport Jr., while Brooklyn's **Jackie Klempay** will offer limestone sculptures by Jerry the Marble Faun (who was the gardener at Grey Gardens).

**Rebecca Hossack** (London) will feature Australian Aboriginal works and two dealers from Paris will make their first appearance at OAF New York: **Dominique Polad-Hardouin** and **Galerie L'Inlassable**. Rounding out the list of new exhibitors are **Indigo Arts** (Philadelphia), **Gallery Kogure** (Tokyo), **Een Nieuwe Wind** (Goes, The Netherlands), **J. Compton Gallery** (Texas), **The Good Luck Gallery** and **Ernie Wolfe Gallery** (Los Angeles) and Brooklyn artist/curator Scott Ogden's project *Shrine*.

For the upcoming 23<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Fair, Wide Open Arts is also pleased to feature a special exhibition, *If I Had Possession Over Judgment Day*, curated by Jay Gorney and Anne Doran. The group exhibition will feature works by five artists whose art responds, in part, to their paranoia: Melvin Way (b. 1954), Emery Blagdon (1907–1986), Adolf Wölfli (1864–1930), Mark Lombardi (1951–2000), and the Philadelphia Wireman (20th century).

For more information regarding scheduling and tickets, please visit www.outsiderartfair.com