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New Prints by Artist Mimmo Paladino

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New prints by Italian international artist Mimmo Paladino are on display in downtown Los Angeles from Tuesday, September 20, 2005 to Wednesday, November 23, 2005 at the Mixografía® Gallery and Workshop. The 11 new editions entitled *California Suite* will be simultaneously exhibited in Rome, Italy at the Istituto Italo-Latino Americano, with a catalogue available by Achille Bonito Oliva and Irma Arestizábal.

The language of Paladino (Paduli 1948) uses an iconography of geometric shapes, random numbers, disconnected hands and profiles to evoke abstract notions such as memory and dream. His work incorporates symbols from ancient and contemporary societies and promotes notions of timelessness.

Paladino's artwork often includes random and even discarded objects. "He is constantly reworking and reusing objects from old works, chunks of plaster, even cast offs from his studio floor to make new work," said gallery director Doug Roberts. When Paladino wanted to produce collages with such objects as mosaic tile, wooden blocks, metal shards, piled clay, photography, and scraps of canvases and etchings, the workshop was challenged. It was typical of Paladino's art, but not of printmaking.

"He made full use of the 3-dimensional possibilities of the medium," said workshop director Shaye Remba. "You could say it was a good marriage between the artist concept and the technique used."

The accuracy of the final series shows the passion of both artist and printer for the role of texture in art. Paladino gave objects glory by including them in his artwork, and the workshop was able to translate the artist's concept onto paper.

The Mixografía® Gallery and Workshop is now located at 1419 East Adams Boulevard in downtown. Visit the gallery Monday through Friday between 11am and 5pm.

Mixografía® is a fine art publisher and printer of hand-made paper prints, copper reliefs, multiples and sculptures developed in 1973 by Luis Remba. The Mixografía® Workshop is highly regarded for the innovative techniques it has developed.