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7.4.11 Photographs by Facing Change: Documenting America September 9–November 18, 2011

Washington DC—Carroll Square Gallery opens 7.4.11, Photographs by Facing Change: Documenting America on Friday, September 9, 2011, with a public reception from 6:00–8:00pm. The exhibition will remain on view through November 18, 2011.

The Fourth of July is a patriotic holiday celebrating the freedoms granted to the people of the United States. Americans express gratitude for the liberties fought for by their Forefathers and generations following. Above all, the holiday is a time to gather and enjoy the company of friends, family and greater communities. The value of the day's picnics, barbecues and parades is made greater by the obstacles America's inhabitants have faced and the accomplishments they have made.

7.4.11 documents the various ways in which diverse groups of people commemorated this year's holiday. Viewers are given the opportunity to observe common American traditions and to reflect on the emotional impact of patriotism. One's interpretations of such imagery often change based on the political climate, and have certainly forever been shifted given events in recent history. The photographs in 7.4.11 offer an introspective viewing experience that in return may affect the way in which one actually participates in such festivities in the future.

7.4.11 includes photographs by the photojournalists of Facing Change: Documenting America, a non-profit collective of acclaimed photojournalists and writers coming together to document the critical issues facing America. Photographers in the exhibition include: David Burnett, Debbie Flemming Caffery, Alan Chin, Danny Wilcox Frazier, Brenda Ann Kenneally, Andrew Lichtenstein, Carlos Javier Ortiz, Lucian Perkins, and Anthony Suau. This series of images highlights 2011's Fourth of July celebrations in Greenwich, CT, New Canaan, CT, Washington, DC, North Liberty, IA, Chicago, IL, Erath, LA, Brooklyn, NY, Lansingburgh, NY, Newburgh, NY, and Philadelphia, PA.

Carroll Square Gallery 975 F Street, NW Washington, DC 20004 www.carrollsquare.com

Gallery open during business hours: Monday–Friday, 8:00am–6:00pm

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