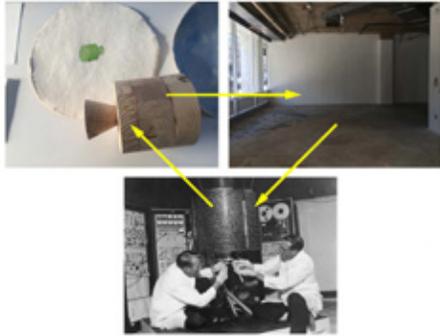


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Workingman Collective SATELLITE @1700L Street March 18 - June 27, 2015

Washington DC — HEMPHILL is pleased to announce the ongoing installation, *SATELLITE*, by Workingman Collective at 1700 L Street NW. They will begin work March 18, 2015 and the exhibition will remain on view through June 27, 2015.

There are more than a few points along the technological continuum you could identify as the beginning of the digital age. 1965, back when music was re-played from a vinyl record through a high-fidelity record player, NASA launched into outer-space the Early Bird, the first geosynchronous satellite, leading to global telecommunications. If on a trip to one or the other of the art museums resting along the National Mall you impulsively dart into the Air and Space Museum, thinking you might enjoy the beauty of a slick futuristic vehicle, you will surely be shocked by the handmade quality of the earliest spacecraft. The Early Bird is so clearly screwed together with tools you likely have at home in your own tool kit. Today, in an increasingly pervasive and ethereal digital environment, so many things immaculately appear, without evidence of human hands. Never again will the fabrication of something futuristic display the reach and contrast between handmade and immaterial as it did in the early space age. It is to this "space-between" that Workingman Collective draws your attention. By re-fabricating the Early Bird, humorously constructed in plywood, pointing to the new "wireless-ness", Workingman lays their hands on the magic of communication in our digital age.

Workingman Collective takes up residence at 1700 L Street on March 18 beginning their work on *SATELLITE*, their construction process and progress visible through the windows along 17th and L Streets NW. On April 4, following completion of the satellite form and the lighting and staging of its installation, *SATELLITE* will be on view through June 27, 2015. During the exhibition, look for notices via email, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and other forms of transmission for Workingman Collective events, outreach and programming related to *SATELLITE*.

When posting images to social media, tag us on Twitter @hemphillfineart and on Instagram @hemphillfinearts using hashtags #WorkingmanCollective #1700L #hemphillfinearts.

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24/7 from the street or by appointment.

Image: Plans for SATELLITE (top left), 1700 L Street Interior (top right), INTELSAT, Early Bird (bottom center)

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