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## Artspace111 Announces Jim Malone Solo Exhibition

### *Animal Crackers*

Jim Malone

February 6 - March 15, 2025

### Opening Reception

Artspace111

Thursday, February 6, 2025

5:30 - 7:30pm

### Artist Talk

Artspace111

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

5:30 - 7:00pm

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“I got acquainted with the Chihuahua Desert about fifty years ago. Plants, animals, geology and history. All was fascinating and important for staying alive. Like any landscape with extremes, it’s dangerous. Since that time, I’ve used the desert as a subject for my art. It’s a difficult place but a healthy place, in that everything counts.” - Jim Malone

Artspace111 is proud to present the latest exhibition *Animal Crackers*, featuring mixed media artwork by Jim Malone. Malone’s knowledge of the Texas desert as a draftsman, depicts celestial and terrestrial landscapes working intuitively to find threads of meaning to link imagery that reveal a pattern. This exhibition dazzles the viewer with bright pops of neon color akin to the big Texas sky, peppered with wild horses, whimsical birds and land critters. Malone’s ode to the Texan desert speaks to what we can and can’t live without. In a world full of excess, Malone calls us back to the basics of survival, humility and love. His mixed media artworks contain graphite, spray paint, gold leaf and sparkle stars from local craft shops. He blends the sky and rock formations, while hyper imposing cut out animals into the work, which give his images an approachable, but surreal flare. Malone is refreshingly unpretentious and works from a flow state instead of being forced into an analytical frame of reference. In this way, the fitting title *Animal Crackers* brings light and brevity into the conversation of art. Using simple motifs of the

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desert as language transcends and is communicated into something one can only feel when verbal expression falls short.

*Animal Crackers* will be on view February 6 - March 15, 2025. Opening reception, Thursday, February 6, 5:30 - 7:30pm. Guests may also visit the gallery during regular hours, Tuesday – Friday 11am -5pm, and Saturday 11am -2pm.

“Jim Malone creates art that speaks to the specific experience of Texan’s love, fear and respect of the desert. But does it with his own visual voice and captivating mixed-media style that can only be commanded by Malone.” - Margery Gossett, Gallery Director.

## About The Artist

Jim Malone

Known for his works on paper and his landscapes of the Big Bend region, James Malone is a consummate draftsman who has worked in a variety of media and techniques over a career spanning 35 years. To create his images he uses graphite, watercolor, pen and charcoal, collage, opaque acrylic paint, wax, and thread, and even burns lines into paper using a magnifying glass. He also works with composite images of photographs. Celestial and terrestrial maps figure in many of his compositions. Malone has participated in group and solo exhibitions at the Whitney Museum of American Art, the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, the Dallas Museum of Art, and at other museums and galleries throughout Texas. Most recently, his work was featured at the Fort Worth Community Arts Center in the solo exhibition "Cutting for Sign," in the group exhibition of Big Bend landscapes "Despoblado Update," curated by Daniel Blagg, and in "James Malone: New Ideas."

## About Artspace111

Located in downtown Fort Worth, Texas, Artspace111 specializes in the exhibition of Contemporary Texas Art. In 1980, twin brothers Daniel and Dennis Blagg established Artspace111, converting a historic 1911 building into artist studios and a small gallery space in order to support and celebrate the work of local artists. Since 2007, Margery Gossett has been the Owner/Director of Artspace111 and further developed the space into a celebrated and distinguished 3,000 square foot art gallery. In addition to the year-round schedule of solo and group exhibitions, Artspace111 designs corporate and private art collections for clients throughout the country and hosts special events in its distinctive gallery and sculpture gardens. Artspace111 is dedicated to making contemporary art approachable to individuals of all ages.

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## Images



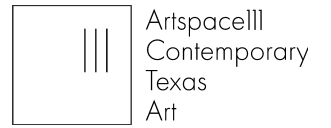
*Four Sisters*, mixed media, 22 x 30", 2024. Jim Malone.

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*Jachal at Sunset, mixed media, 30 x 44", 2024. Jim Malone.*

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*Flight Flock, Mixed Media, 30 x 22", 2024. Jim Malone.*

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