

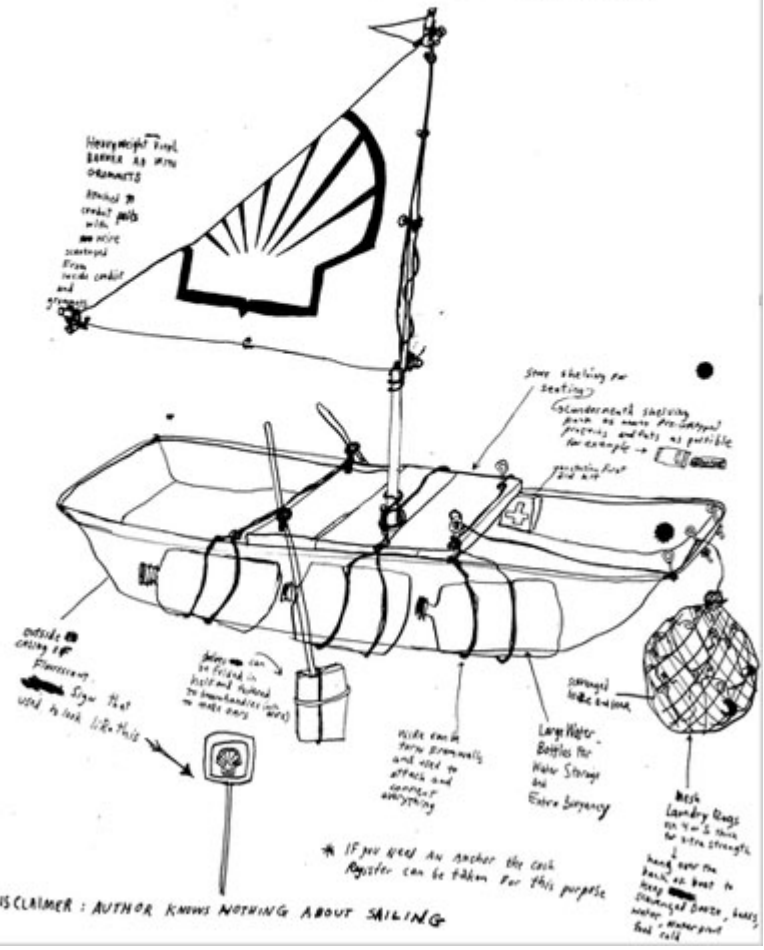
# Colin Matthes: Instructional and Flood Resistant Work at Bockley Gallery

Bockley Gallery is pleased to announce its first exhibit by Milwaukee artist Colin Matthes. Instructional and Flood Resistant Work presents paintings, drawings, and sculpture. Ten works from Essential Knowledge, a series of drawings on paper illustrating basic skills for success in challenging situations, are included in the exhibition. Additionally the artist has constructed flood resistant luxury objects; foam noodle floats and a provisional raft are used to ensure the survival of his oil on canvas paintings during times of rising sea levels.

Matthes takes language and imagery from motivational posters, advertising, Boy Scout handbooks, commerce, and other rhetorical sources to consider our contemporary condition living in late-stage capitalism and climate change. These works are timely, eco-poetic, and darkly humorous.

# Making a BOAT

FROM THE RUINS OF A GAS STATION



\* DISCLAIMER : AUTHOR KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT SAILING



Essential Knowledge: Making a Boat, 2012-14, 23 x 17 inches,  
ink on paper

Essential Knowledge: Starting a Fire, 2012-14, 23 x 17 inches,  
ink on paper



Roadtrip, 2012, ink and acrylic on paper, 40.5 x 48 inches

## ABOUT THE ARTIST

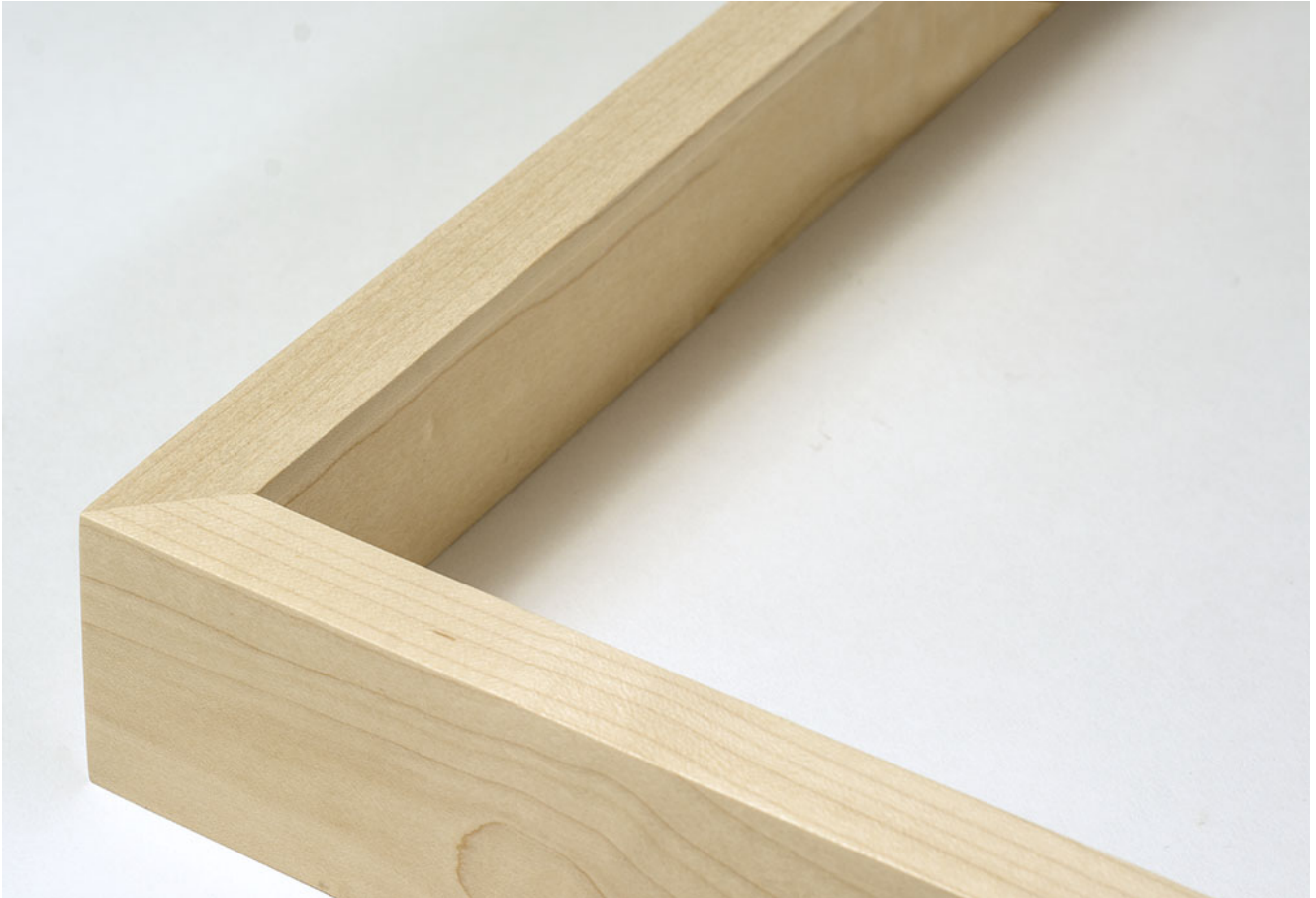
Matthes' practice includes painting, drawing, installation, zine and graphic production, and public art projects. Matthes works collectively with Justseeds, a network of twenty-six artists living in the United States, Canada, and Mexico that runs a print collective, contributes graphics to social movements, and co-publishes books. As an individual artist, Matthes has exhibited across Europe and the United States. Solo exhibitions include Artspace Leguit, Antwerp, Belgium and Igloo.

“Instructional and Flood Resistant Work”

May 13, 2015 – June 13, 2015

Opening Reception: Thursday, May 14, 6 to 9 pm  
**Bockley Gallery**  
Minneapolis, MN

## **FRAMING SPECIFICATIONS AND ADVICE**



101 maple with clear finish

### **METRO GALLERY FRAME**

Standard Profile: 101

Thin Profile: 102

Type: Standard Gallery Frame

Type: Thin Gallery Frame

Wood & Finish: maple wood frame with clear lacquer finish

Purchasing Options: joined wood frame with splines

Framing Advice: fitting gallery frames