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## CHRISTOPHER QUIRK AND NICHOLE MAURY

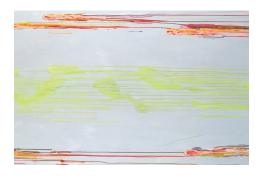








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## EXHIBITION DATES: January 9 - February 14, 2009 OPENING RECEPTION: January 9, 2009, 7-10 pm

1708 Gallery starts the New Year with an exhibition of paintings and prints by Christopher Quirk and Nichole Maury.

Christopher Quirk's paintings are about the viewer's experience. "Discordant components and qualities in each painting pose questions for the viewer, suspending resolution, and provide a space for the viewer's own meditations. The idea is to give, not tell, and for the painting to provide an experience that unfolds over time."

Christopher Quirk lives and works in Brooklyn, NY. His paintings have been exhibited since 1990, in galleries both in the United States and abroad. He holds an M.F.A. in Painting from the Tyler School of Art in Rome and Philadelphia, and an M.A. in Liberal Education from the Graduate Institute of St. John's College in Santa Fe. http://christopherquirk.net/index.html

Nichole Maury explores the now fine line between printmaking and drawing. She uses her own printed imagery as well as found printed materials in her work. She creates a new truth by juxtaposing printed and drawn marks in order to serve her own need to establish order. "The result is a network of self-imposed, visual systems that live in fear of chaos, but are nonetheless infiltrated by the attraction to disorder."

Nichole Maury lives and works in Kalamazoo, MI where she is an Assistant Professor of Art and Coordinator of the Printmaking Area at Western Michigan University. She received her M.F.A. in Printmaking from the University of Iowa. http://www.nicholemaury.com

## **About 1708 Gallery:**

Founded in 1978, 1708 Gallery is a non-profit exhibition space committed to expanding the understanding, development, and appreciation of contemporary art. Through diverse exhibitions and educational programs the Gallery engages the community by providing a forum for dialogue and appreciation for contemporary art. 1708 Gallery is Richmond's leading destination for new art.

For more information and high-resolution images, please call the Gallery at 804.643.1708