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## BIGart @ Navy Pier

# Outdoor Art Exhibition Returns with Signature Piece by Renowned Artist Roy Lichtenstein

**CHICAGO** – Navy Pier, Inc. is excited to announce its partnership with the **Gagosian Gallery** to display the artistic talent of world-renowned artist **Roy Lichtenstein**. On **Saturday, May 12**<sup>th</sup> **at noon,** Navy Pier will unveil to the public a signature Lichtenstein sculpture – *Brushstroke Group*.

The unveiling comes as Navy Pier welcomes in **BIGart** @ **Navy Pier**, a **free outdoor art exhibition** at the Pier. In addition to *Brushstroke Group*, in the weeks to come, sculptures and artistic works of various sizes, designs and materials from international artists will make their way to Navy Pier and welcome visitors to **Gateway Park through October**.

"We are proud to partner with the Gagosian Gallery to bring *Brushstroke Group* to Navy Pier," said Marilynn Gardner, President and CEO of Navy Pier. "Our outdoor public art exhibition further enhances our mission to be a truly world-class public space."

Another work of art to be showcased **Saturday**, **May 12** is a piece by artist **Anthony Caro entitled Blazon**. Measuring at 139 x 113 x 59 in., the steel sculpture will greet lakefront and Navy Pier visitors.

"It's an opportunity to display public art and expand the whole idea of what you can put outdoors," said Dave Hickey, BIGart @ Navy Pier curator. "There are very few comparable venues in the world like Navy Pier that lend themselves to public sculptures so that everyone may simultaneously view great outdoor art and the picturesque city lakefront."

Joseph Tabet, BIGart @ Navy Pier producer, views Navy Pier as a global destination for outdoor public art.

"I am excited to help bring the best of outdoor art to Chicago in the most public space for people to enjoy" Tabet said. "Navy Pier will be the destination for free, world-class public art on display."

Navy Pier's outdoor public art exhibition is free and open to the public. Come for art. BIGart @ Navy Pier.

For information regarding all Navy Pier activities and events please visit www.navypier.com.

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## List of announced BIGart @ Navy Pier artists and works:

\*\*List to be continuously updated\*\*

#### **ROY LICHTENSTEIN**

Brushstroke Group

1987

Painted and fabricated aluminum

 $360 \times 210 \times 108$  in.

For more information regarding Roy Lichtenstein please visit:

http://www.gagosian.com/

or

http://www.lichtensteinfoundation.org/

### ANTHONY CARO

Blazon

1987-90

Steel painted red, unique

139 x 113 x 59 in.

For more information regarding *Blazon* please visit:

www.miandn.com

#### **NANCY RUBINS**

Monochrome II Chicago

2012

Aluminum boats, stainless steel armature, stainless steel wire cable 19 x 34 x 36 ft.

For more information regarding *Monochrome II Chicago* please visit: <a href="http://www.gagosian.com/">http://www.gagosian.com/</a>

A Chicago Landmark since 1916, Navy Pier has evolved from a freight passenger ship docking facility to the #1 tourist attraction in the Midwest, drawing more than eight million visitors annually. Navy

Pier currently encompasses more than fifty acres of parks, gardens, shops, restaurants, family attractions and exhibit facilities, making it a tourists and visitors entertainment hub. For more information, visit our website at <a href="https://www.navypier.com">www.navypier.com</a>