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sunday, may 02, 2010

Gift from Bill Wilson - USA



This booklet was another gift from Bill Wilson that he gave me on my visit to his house. The tilte of the booklet: "Ray Johnson - En Rapport". It documents the activities from Richard L. Feigen & Co for the Art Basel 14-18 June 2006. They presented some of Ray Johnson's fabolous collages there. Bill Wilson wrote the article to explain the Ife on Ray in this small full Colour catalogue. The booklet also contains a biography of Ray Johnson (1927-1995).

Labels: Art Basel, Bill Wilson, En Rapport, Ray Johnson, Richard L.

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Mail to Ria vanden Eynde - Belgium



An Add & Pass-on paper I received from Jeniffer Zoelner in New York was worked on by me in Breda and is now on its way back to Belgium, to

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about me



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Mail to Ramon Cruces - Spain



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Mail to mark Bloch - USA



In this envelope there is a copy of a newspaper page he worked on for me. The New York Times had images on them about the Ash Clouds that were moving over Europe. He gave me the clipping to indicate that I was going to stay a bit longer in NYC. I promissed him a copy of the newspaper. Here it goes back to NY.

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Mail to Janet Heritage - USA



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My favorite self-inking rubberstamps word set needed to be re-inked. This is how it looks like when the ink is being sucked into the rubber. After that it is good for another 100 prints. I use these rubber stamps now and then on outgoing mail-art. lately I have been trying to print a large part of the original stamps from the TAM-Rubberstamp Archive on envelopew Luse to send out new sheets for the archive collection. Currently 650 sheets are in New York for an exhibition.

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Mail to Cascadia Artpost - USA



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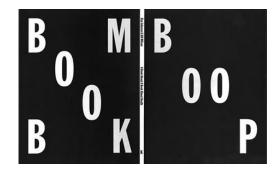
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Ray Johnson's (Detroit, 1927) early work consisted of intricately painted geometric abstractions influenced by Albers' color theories, and he exhibited with the American Abstract Artists group, including Ad Reinhardt and Leon Polk Smith. Soon, however, he turned to complex collages combining images with ink and paint or other surface textures that reflected the atmosphere of Abstract Expressionism then still prevalent in New York. During the 1950's, Johnson established the format and style he would continue to use throughout his life. Kindred in spirit to the work of Joseph Cornell, he called his small irregularly shaped collages "moticos", an anagram for "osmotic" (from osmosis). Johnson's works continued the Dada and Surrealist tradition of collage (including that of Kurt Schwitters and Max Ernst) and pursued the provocation of paradoxical verbal and visual puns, absurd juxtapositions, word-play riddles and hidden references with a witty nihilistic sense of humor.

Johnson wrote poetic texts and letters and integrated language and a unique system of cryptic signs into his work. Considered by many the "father of Mail Art", as early as 1953 Johnson began sending highly conceptual images/texts to friends, often encouraging the recipient to "add to" the work, or "please send to" someone else, or "return to Ray Johnson". Forming the "New York Correspondence School" in 1962, Johnson established an enormous network of participants throughout the world – one which remains active even after his death, as is evident with Ray Johnson web sites on the Internet. Paralleling the idea of Allan Kaprow's Happenings and of later Fluxus events, in the early 1960's he began doing "Nothings" – informal performance art or non-art pieces which were continued over the years under the guise of NYCS meetings or lectures. Johnson was recognized as much for his performance-like persona as his collages and mailings.

In 1968, on the day Andy Warhol was shot, Johnson himself was mugged, an event which precipitated his move to Locust Valley, Long Island. Although he remained involved with the art scene through conversations and correspondences, he gradually withdrew from actively exhibiting. Johnson continued to make art, however, such as the master collages he worked on over a period of many years. He also continued to perform in his own circuitous ways, until apparent suicide on the night of Friday the 13th of January, 1995, when he was last seen leaping off the bridge in Sag Harbor, Long Island doing the back stroke into oblivion, and act some consider to be his last "performance".

Between 1963 and 1965, Ray Johnson printed thirteen pages of his Book about Death with the Pernet Printing Company, 120 Lexington Avenue at 28th Street. His title, which designated the thirteen unbound pages as a book, is A Book about Death, yet also A Boop about Death and A Boom about Death. Those thirteen photo-offset pages were re-printed in 1976 for a catalogue, Correspondence, North Carolina Museum of Art, Richard Craven, editor and curator. The Carolina pages were folded once from the bottom, hence are not quite like the pages Ray folded for envelopes.



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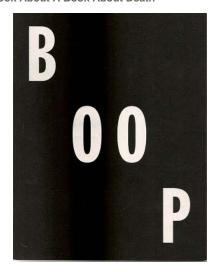
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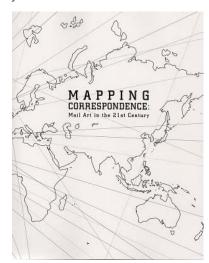


This 56 pages book, written by Bill Wilson - USA, was one of the gifts Bill gave me when I visited him on April 16th 2010 in his Apartment downtown New York. The book has a limited edition of 500 copies and tries to explain a book that Ray Johnson made, but typically in the Ray Johnson style. Nobody would get the complete idea of the concept of the book, but Bill is trying to explain in this publication how the pages of the publication ray Johnson was working on fit together. This publication accompanies the exhibition "Ray Johnson, A Book about Death" that was held at Kunstverein Amstedam, 12/12/2009 - 31/01/210, see www.kunstverein.nl . The book includes reprints of all the known pages of the book Ray Johnson was making. The book explains such small details of the life Ray Johnson lead that it needs to be absorbed word by word. I am glad to have this treasure in my collection.

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"Mapping Correspondence - Mail Art in the 21st Century" is the title of this beautiful booklet I received in New York just after I did my lecture on April 17th 2010 from Champe Smith. I knew of the publication, but now I am very glad to have my own copy to explore what is inside.

Beside the many sources that are mentioned there is also a timeline of mail-art inside the book. A timeline that needs to be explored further as John Held explained me when we discussed this publication. A timeline is needed because the artists who know the details are passing away and the ones that write don't know always the complete details.

The book has excelent articles in it. So I am glad to have this in the TAM-Archive.

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