Love for Sale: You Know You Need It – Until February 24

The exhibition, named after the Cole Porter and Talking Heads songs, is meant as an ironic gesture signaling the paradox of selling created need; that is, to make consumers want what you tell them to love.

A gallery reception will be held on Friday, January 27 and Valentine’s Day, Tuesday, February 14, both from 6 pm - 9 pm.

The exhibition addresses the image as a means of selling, of creating need and will elicit responses from thinkers/makers in relation to the concept of image as a generator of need; art as commodity.

Free admission and parking. Gallery hours: 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Tuesday – Saturday

Do Unions Still Matter in Detroit?: Thursday, February 2, 6 pm -7:30 pm

The University of Michigan Semester in Detroit (SID) Speaker Series continues with its second installment – Do Unions Still Matter in Detroit?

In this prolonged period of economic crisis, workers of all stripes from both the public and private sectors seem to bear the brunt of the overall burden when it comes to the solutions being proposed. Here in Detroit, at least 1,000 city workers anticipate layoffs beginning in February in an effort to balance the city’s budget. Many more unionized workers in Detroit are being pressured from all corners to accept additional wage and benefit cuts.

In arguably the most important birthplace for the American labor movement, this begs an important question here in Detroit: Do unions still matter? If they don’t have much power in our city, how can we expect them to survive in the rest of the country?

This important panel discussion features Bob King, UAW President; General Baker, Retired UAW Activist; and Yolanda Acosta, Secretary of the Association of Professional and Technical Employees. The panel is moderated by Lolita Hernandez, Lecturer of Creative Writing at the University of Michigan and a retired UAW activist and writer.

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Coming Soon:
Semester in Detroit (SID) Speaker Series #3 – February 16
Musica Cubana – February 19
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