



The Frost Art Museum Presents *2iPM009* by Magdalena Fernandez

Miami, (August 5, 2011) – Magdalena Fernández's video installation, *2iPM009*, brings Geometric Abstraction to a new level of expression. During the past decade the Venezuelan-born artist (1964) has developed a body of kinetic sculptures and videos, the latter incorporates sound and movement of lines and colors. In *2iPM009*, Fernández incorporates very sophisticated sound compositions to simulate rain and thunder. This exhibition, opening October 12, 2011 at The Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum during Target Wednesday After Hours, includes visual imagery consisting of rapidly moving dots and lines that constantly change their configuration.

2iPM009 begins with barely audible sounds of light rain and the appearance of barely visible tiny dots. In perfectly measured timing, the dots begin to appear in greater quantity and with greater frequency, in effect evoking a twinkling starry night. The sensorial effects of sound and light are very dramatic. As the storm subsides, the imagery seems to reverse itself. It would appear nature's cycle has come full circle. Ironically the sound is not "real" rain, but the simulation created by the Perpetuum Jazzile choir, whose artistic director conducts them to snap their fingers, clap their hands on their knees, and jump on the floorboards at different moments to create the sound of rain.

An opening reception will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. as part of The Museum's Target Wednesday After Hours series. This reception will also serve as the opening of the Florida Artist Series with Humberto Calzada: *The Fire Next Time* and *Modern Meals: Remaking American Foods from Farm to Kitchen* in the Wolfsonian-FIU Teaching Gallery is. Admission to this reception is free and open to the public.

About The Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum at Florida International University

The Frost Art Museum opened its current 46,000-square-foot state of the art building in November 2008. Over **85,000** people have visited The Museum in its new building since its opening in November, 2008. Admission to The Museum is always free. The Frost is an AAM accredited museum and Smithsonian affiliate and is located at 10975 SW 17th St across from the Blue garage and adjacent to the Wertheim Performing Arts Center on the Modesto A. Maidique Campus. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday noon-5 p.m. Closed on Mondays and most legal holidays. For more information, please visit <http://thefrost.fiu.edu> or call 305-348-2890. Find The Frost Art Museum on Twitter (<http://twitter.com/frostartmuseum>) and Facebook (<http://facebook.com/frostartmuseum>).

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