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NEW TRADITIONALISTS AT MARTOS GALLERY

Arte Povera has never gone away completely, and a few of its most articulate practitioners are highlighted in this exhibition organized by Mary Grace Wright entitled, "New Traditionalists." Justin Adian, Jess Fuller, Leif Ritchey and B. Wurtz contribute sculpture and wallworks, which pack a lot of poetry into the most humble materials. Each piece exudes consider charm and chops. Adian wraps upholsterer's foam in canvas and further transforms the material by painting it with industrial gloss, Wurtz, who can always be counted on to astonish, contributes winning, magical box sculptures made in the late 70s from vintage 35mm slides. A humble tree made from similar film erupts from its base like a fountain made of memory.

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