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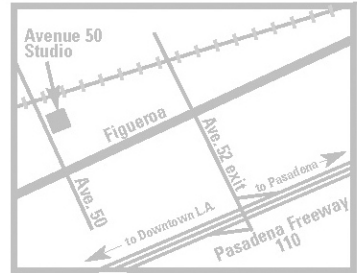
ARTISTS EXPLORE  
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*Don't Talk About Religion or Politics* is also an age-old American axiom, an adage the participating artists of this exhibit clearly intend to ignore as they carefully examine the blurring between the sacred and profane. To celebrate the importance of spirituality in our lives and collective consciousness, the participating artists of this exhibition have come together to offer genuine visions of piety and devotion. But they are also unafraid to offer honest critiques of religion's darker side. It is to this duality of purpose that we dedicate this exhibition.



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**ARTISTS' RECEPTION: SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 7-10 PM**

**Artists' Forum on Art & Politics: Thursday, January 12, 7 to 9 pm**  
As part of the exhibit, Avenue 50 Studio will present an artists' forum where exhibiting artists and the public will discuss the meanings and motivations behind the works on display.

For more information, visit: [www.art-for-a-change.com/exhibits/religion.htm](http://www.art-for-a-change.com/exhibits/religion.htm)