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of women artists and serving the community
through public events

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For Immediate Release:

SOHO20 Chelsea Gallery presents

Backlash on women's basic rights and freedoms

July 17 - August 11, 2012

Opening Reception:

Thursday, July 19, 6-8pm

Featuring performances by **GO! Push Pops,**
Words Of Choice, The Baltimore Experimental
Dance Collective & Kay Turner's song
"Breast Exam" featuring Kay Turner and
guitarist extraordinaire Viva DeConcini.



Also coming up!

The Snatchel Project:
Saturday, July 28, 2-6pm

SOHO20 Chelsea Gallery is pleased to present *Backlash*, an international group exhibition addressing the current political climate towards women in the United States. Please join us for an opening reception with live performances on **Thursday, July 19 from 6-8pm.**

Forty years after the founding of feminist institutions such as Ms. Magazine, Title IX, A.I.R. Gallery, and SOHO20, many of the rights won by the second-wave generation of feminists seem to be slipping away. In 2012, women have been denied the legal right to equal pay for equal work, American nuns have been deemed “femi-nazis,” access to birth control and abortions has become more and more difficult and the word “vagina” has become so contentious as to be banned from the senate floor.

However: Feminism is not dead. Women and men in this country and beyond are fighting back, in new, innovative and creative ways. *Backlash* brings together a group of artists from across the globe who are a part of this fight. The response to the call for this “unjuried” exhibition was overwhelming; *Backlash* includes the work of men and women, across generations, working in a variety of media to express fear, anger, despair, but also hope, fortitude, and solidarity.

To provide an additional forum for conversation surrounding these issues, as well as a means of direct action, SOHO20 is excited to collaborate with Government Free VJJ in hosting **The Snatchel Project on Saturday, July 28 from 2-6pm.** Please join us for an afternoon of feminist crafting; we will be making vaginas and uteruses to send to male representatives in congress, to whom we ask: If we give you a uterus, will you stay out of ours? For more information, please see www.governmentfreeVJJ.com. For information on participating artists please visit our website at soho20gallery.com or email us at info@soho20gallery.com