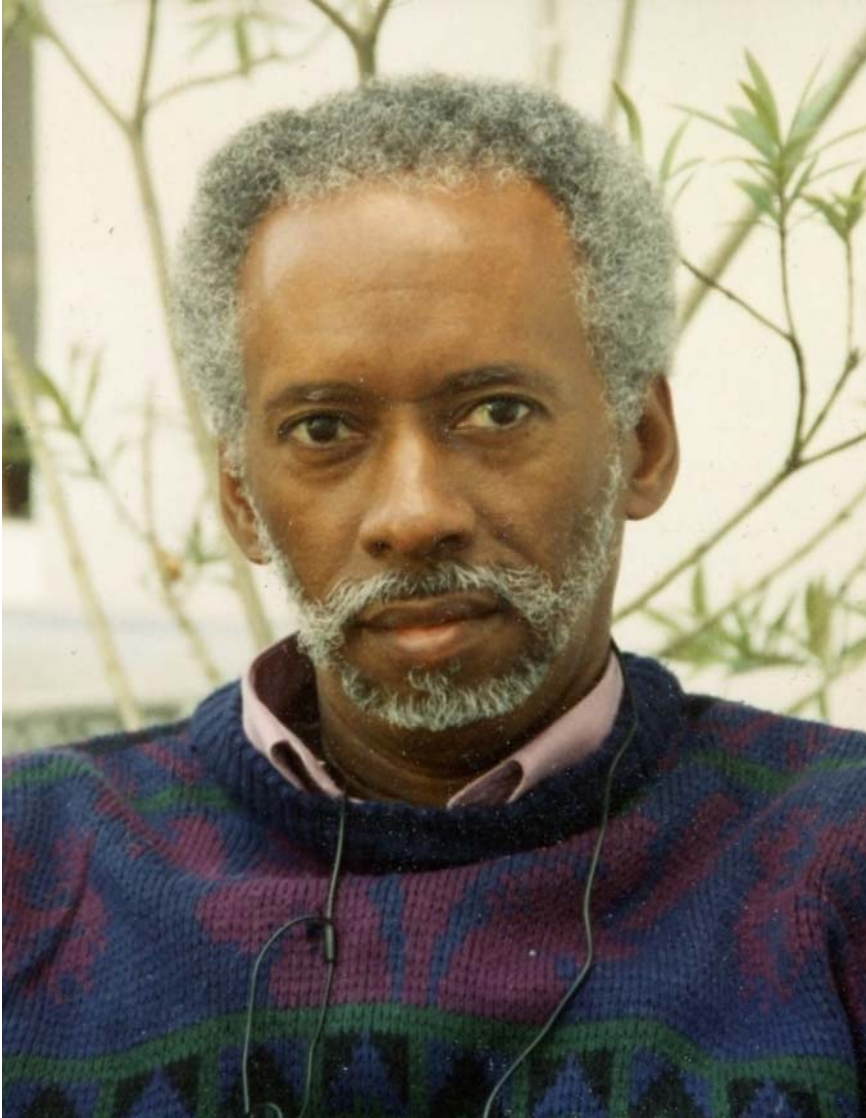


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### **The Art of Eugene Martin: A Great Concept**

June 5 - December 1, 2012

Eugene Martin (1938-2005) was actively devoted to art for over 40 years. He is best known for imaginative mixed media collages on paper, humorous drawings, and paintings that incorporate whimsical allusions to animal, machine and structural imagery.

Martin's paintings feature bands of playful colors and uncomplicated shapes that form the base upon which he constructs more complex figures of pure, constructed, biomorphic, or disciplined lyrical abstraction. Circles recur throughout his work, reminiscent of the faces and eyes of humans and animals. Martin called his works that straddled abstraction and representation "satirical abstracts." It can be said that his art defies categorization.

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Eugene J. Martin, 1988  
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