

FedEx Claims
Re: Claim #1102528695
Date 11/2/10

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing this letter to give my personal account of FedEx claim #1102528695. I am the shipper, and my mother, Linda Fogel, was the recipient.

I am an artist who lives and works in New York City. I am currently working on a project that involves videotaping and photographing all of the wedding rings in my immediate family. This will culminate in an exhibition at Participant Inc., a not-for-profit gallery in New York's Lower East Side this upcoming January, 2011.

Most of my family lives in Denver, so in order to complete this project I travelled there over the summer to borrow the rings from my family. They were somewhat reluctant, but I promised to be very careful and return them either in person, or through FedEx, with the proper insurance. Once I completed photographing the rings, I contacted my family members. I asked if they preferred I send them the rings immediately, or wait until Thanksgiving, when I could deliver them in person. My mother opted to have me send her ring back in anticipation of a trip her and my father were taking prior to Thanksgiving. I asked her the value, and told her I would send it FedEx, and insure it fully.

On Friday, October 29th, I packed the ring carefully at my apartment. I put the ring in a small blue pouch my mother had given me to carry it in. I placed the blue pouch in a small box that I had at the apartment. I prepared an online shipment through FedEx.com, and insured it for \$6000. I printed the label and went to my local FedEx pickup location. At the store, I placed the small box with ring in it into an official FedEx Small Box, and then filled the remaining space with newspaper. I sealed the box and gave it to the employee.

Today, November 2nd, my mother received the FedEx box. All of the package contents remained, but the ring was no longer in the box. As a result, my family and I are devastated. The diamond in the ring belonged to my father's mother, and was given to him to use for my mother's engagement ring. My father clearly remembers the moment when his now deceased mother removed her earring with that diamond in it, and handed it to him. The ring is irreplaceable- the stones and band can be replaced, but the history cannot.

It is my hope that FedEx will properly reimburse us for this loss.

Sincerely yours,



Glen Fogel

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Glen Fogel, *With Me... You*

January 23 - February 27, 2011

Opening reception, Sunday, January 23, 7-9pm

PARTICIPANT INC is pleased to present the first NYC solo exhibition of **Glen Fogel**, *With Me... You*, consisting of a new five-channel video installation and an ongoing series of large-scale paintings of letters written to the artist.



Glen Fogel lives and works in Brooklyn. His work has been exhibited widely, including such venues as Sikkema Jenkins, The Kitchen, Momenta Art, Artists' Space, NGBK (Berlin), Callicoon Fine Arts, and the Museum of Modern Art. His work has screened in the Toronto and London International Film Festivals, and in 2002, he was included in the Whitney Biennial. Fogel has an MFA from Bard College, and has received grants from the MAP Production Fund, and the Rema Hort Mann Foundation, and was a recipient of the 2009 Princess Grace Award.

Glen Fogel, *With Me... You* will travel to Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston in 2011.



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