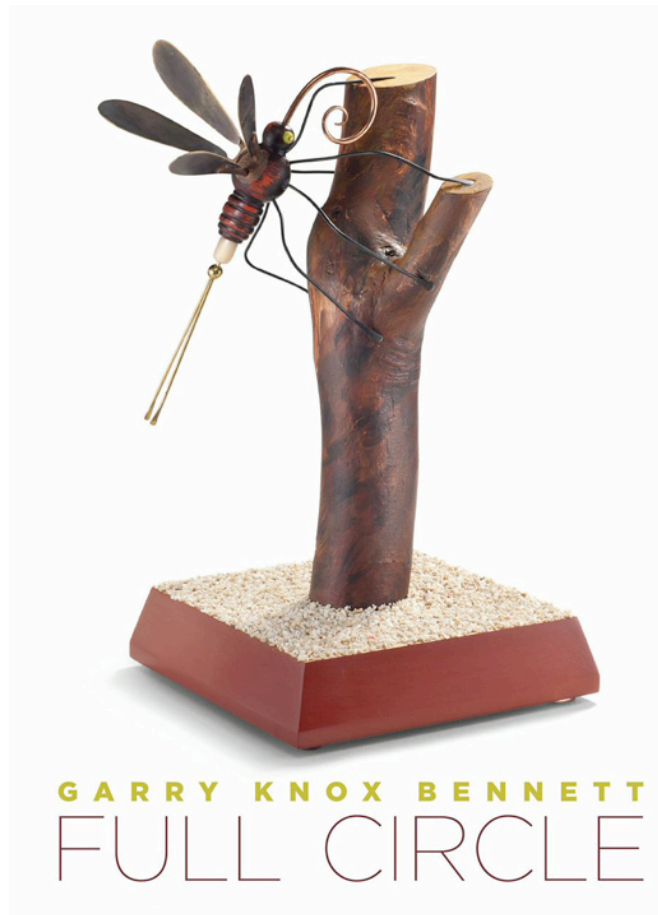


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VELVET DA VINCI  
October 1 - 31, 2014  
Opening Reception: Friday October 3, 6 - 8pm

San Francisco's Velvet da Vinci is proud to present **Garry Knox Bennett: Full Circle**. The show will run from October 1 - 31st, 2014. An opening reception with the the artist will take place on Friday, October 3rd from 6-8pm.

American furniture maker, woodworker, and metal artist Garry Knox Bennett has been celebrated for his innovative sculptural and functional objects for over 40 years. **Garry Knox Bennett: Full Circle** marks the California native artist's 80th birthday this October, highlighting a body of new works made in the spirit of the 1960's. Inspired by his background as a jeweler and metal plater, the show will feature 50 sculptural roach clips, a popular item sold at the artist's historic San Francisco shop Squirkenworks almost 4 decades ago. For one time only, Velvet da Vinci turns from gallery to head shop, in honor of Bennett's important historic and contemporary contributions to the Craft field.

Bennett's work can be found in the permanent collections of the Museum of Art and Design in New York, the De Young Museum in San Francisco, the Mint Museum of Arts and Design in Charlotte NC, the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, the Oakland Museum, the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, and Washington DC's Smithsonian American Art Museum's Renwick Gallery. A graduate of the California College of Arts And Crafts, Bennett was featured in a solo retrospective exhibition at the Museum of Art and Design in New York City in 2001 and has been the recipient of numerous awards such as the Smithsonian Museum's Renwick Alliance Award (2011), the Furniture Society's Lifetime Achievement Award (2004), the American Craft Council College of Fellows (1996), and the Merit Grant National Endowment for the Arts (1984). The artist has lived and works in Oakland, CA for nearly 40 years.

Since 1991, Velvet da Vinci has been a leader in showcasing new developments in contemporary art jewelry and craft-based sculpture. Representing artists from the US, Europe, Latin America and Japan, the quality and range of work shown at Velvet da Vinci gallery has made it a regular must-see stop for collectors, museum curators, and other knowledgeable art and art-jewelry enthusiasts. We invite you to visit the gallery at 2015 Polk Street in San Francisco, or online at [www.velvetdavinci.com](http://www.velvetdavinci.com).

**\*High-res images and further information is available upon request.**



Garry Knox Bennett  
*Roach Clip, Dung Beetle (with stand)*, 2014  
5 X 7 X 5" with stand



Garry Knox Bennett  
Roach Clip, Snake with Box, 2014  
8 X 4 1/2 X 5"



Garry Knox Bennett  
Roach Clip, Dung Beetle (without stand), 2014  
4 X 6 X 4"



Garry Knox Bennett  
Roach Clip, Untitled, 2014  
6 X 6 X 8"





Garry Knox Bennett  
Roach Clip, Untitled, 2014  
5 X 9 X 9"



Garry Knox Bennett  
Roach Clip, His/Hers, 2014  
3 X 9 1/2 X 3" each