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MARK DI SUVERO

Paula Cooper Gallery
534 West 21st Street
September 6 – October 22, 2014

NEW YORK -- The Paula Cooper Gallery is pleased to present Mark di Suvero's new powerful sculpture, *Luney Breakout*. Several of the artist's large, joyously colorful paintings will be shown with the sculptures. The exhibit will be on view at 534 West 21st Street from September 6 through October 22, 2014.

Luney Breakout is an expansive 22-foot sculpture composed entirely of weathered, rusting steel. Hard-edged I-beams support curls of torqued metal that unfurl into horizontal space. The artist seamlessly reconciles industrial metal and acute angles with gravity-defying lightness and delicate curves, creating a work at once majestic and playful, indestructible and weatherworn. *Luney Breakout* marks the artist's enduring preeminence in abstract sculpture over his fifty-year career.

Mark di Suvero's first retrospective was in 1975 at the Whitney Museum of American Art. In addition to many museum shows, di Suvero has had acclaimed international exhibitions in Nice (1991), Venice (1995, on the occasion of the 46th Venice Biennale) and Paris (1997). In 2011, eleven monumental works were installed on Governor's Island in New York Harbor, the largest outdoor exhibition of work in New York since the 1970s. That same year di Suvero received the National Medal of Arts, the nation's highest honor given to artists. From May 2013-2014, SFMOMA presented eight monumental sculptures in the city's historic Crissy Field for a yearlong outdoor exhibition.

A number of di Suvero sculptures are permanently installed at the Storm King Art Center, Mountainville, New York. Di Suvero lives and works in New York.

