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On Wednesday, October 17, 2012, West Hollywood detectives received a tip advising a suspect was possibly trying to sell three pieces of stolen artwork. The pieces were described as, (1) Andy Warhol screen print titled, "Grey's Zebra", (2) Andy Warhol screen print titled, "African Elephant," and (3) Roy Lichtenstein screen print titled, "Sweet Dreams Baby."

Information was gathered from the Federal Way Police Department, Washington state, confirming a vehicle and attached trailer were stolen in the city of Federal Way, in March of 2008. The artwork was stored in the trailer at the time of the theft. The artwork was valued at \$300,000.00 and the insurance company eventually paid out \$276,000.00 for the loss.

At approximately 1300 hours, West Hollywood detectives set up surveillance on Hamilton Salway Fine Art, 8678 Melrose Avenue, West Hollywood. At approximately 1415 hours three suspects arrived in a cargo van and entered the business. After it was confirmed the suspects were in possession of the stolen artwork, they were detained and arrested for receiving stolen property. A handgun and narcotics were also recovered inside the van.

Arrested was, Michael Breen MW/54, resident of Port Angeles, Washington, Kristen Eshom, FW/42, resident of Port Angeles Washington, and Lorrie Ryan, FW/49, resident of Northridge California.

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