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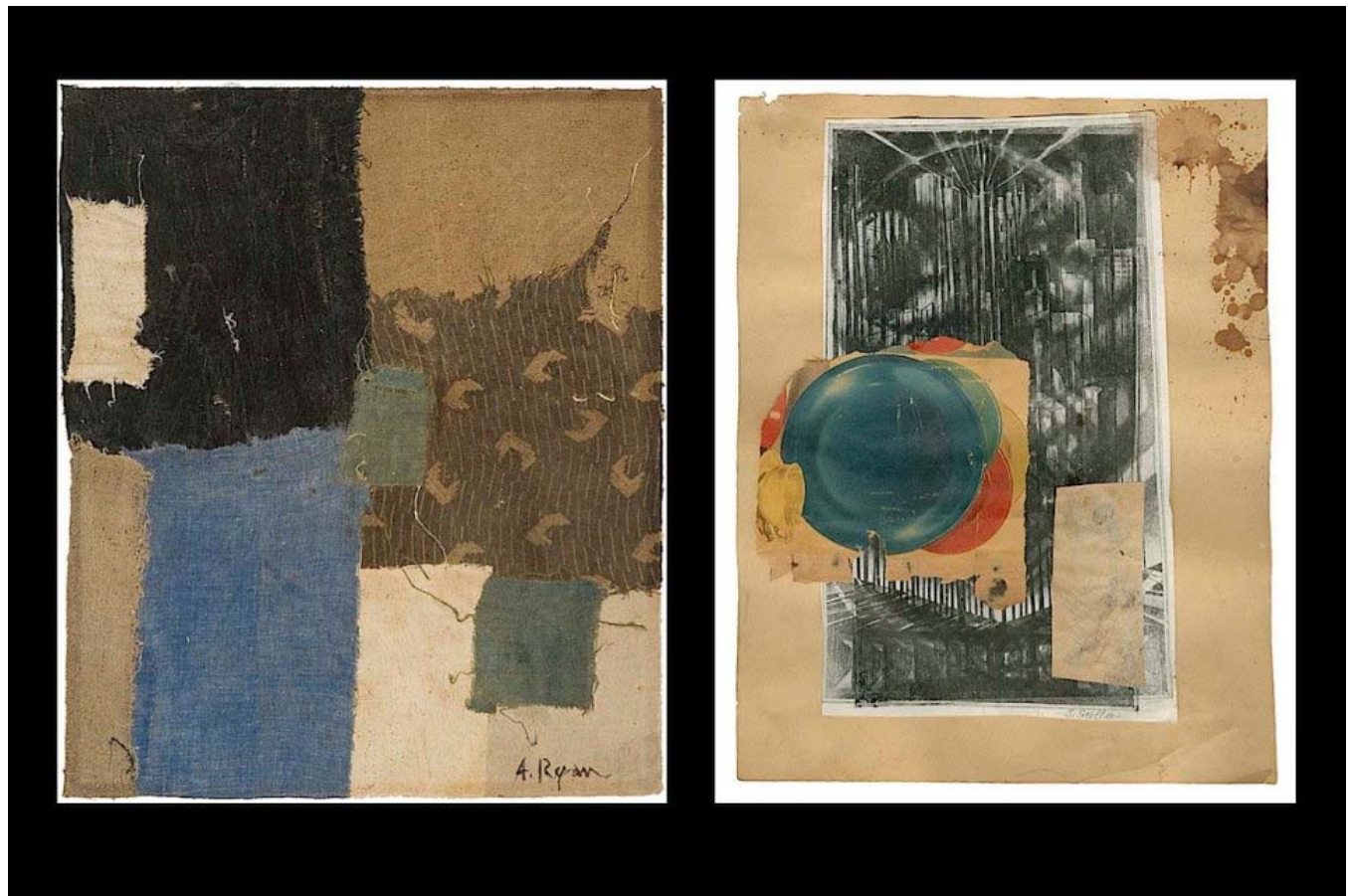
Modest Miracles

by Blake Gopnik

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The Daily Pic: Michael Rosenfeld's new gallery reopens our eyes.

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An untitled textile piece by Anne Ryan, from around 1950, and "Macchina Naturale #4", from after 1923, by Joseph Stella (Courtesy of Michael Rosenfeld Gallery LLC, New York, NY)

Michael Rosenfeld, the dealer in (mostly) American modern art, recently moved to a big Chelsea space. Among the unusual gems on display at the gallery's opening were this gorgeous 1950s textile abstraction by Anne Ryan (an artist I'm ashamed to admit that I didn't know) and this sophisticated 1920s collage by Joseph Stella (an artist I'd always found a touch naive). *Note that the artist Anne Ryan's name was given incorrectly in the original version of this post.*

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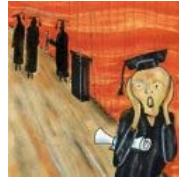
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