This symbol of American freedom has been the source of inspiration to many contemporary artist throughout the last century – often using it’s iconic image to form political commentary about the issues facing the nation.

While Jasper Johns repped the American flag harder than most, here are a few other artists that reinterpreted the symbol with materials ranging from toy soliders to drift wood.

**Flag by Leo Villareel**

**American Flag by Vic Muniz**
**Video Flag Z by Nam June Paik**

Video Flag Z, (1968), Nam June Paik/LACMA

**U.S.A. Flag by Claes Oldenburg**

U.S.A. Flag (1960), Claes Oldenburg. Photo: Lee Ewing. Image courtesy of the National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

**Flag #10 by Sara Rahbar**

Flag #10, (2008), Sara Rahbar/ Saatchi Gallery
American Flag (Toy Soldiers #12) by Dave Cole

Dave Cole/ RISD Museum

Happy Fourth of July!!!