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TAGGERS CAUGHT IN THE ACT

Everett Police arrested two males who were caught in the act of tagging buildings and vehicles on Tremont Street Tuesday.

Alexander Nunez, 22, of Everett and Nicholas Salami, 17, of Somerville, were apprehended by police with wet paint still on their hands and clothes after a brief search for the suspects on Pearl Street.

A witness observed Nunez and Salami in the acting of using rollers and spray paint to tag the rear of the building located at 104 Tremont Street. The witness called the police and provided them with a description of the two suspects, who fled on foot.

Police established a perimeter around the area of Pearl Street, a short time later Officer Eric Rizza had placed Nunez under arrest near Everett and Main Street. Nunez had fresh paint on his hands and jeans at the time of his arrest.

Officers Heather Dupont and David Butler, found Salami hiding in a back yard on Pearl Street and was placed under arrest. Salami had fresh paint on his hands and jacket at the time of his arrest.

Recovered from the scene, behind 104 Tremont Street was a gallon can of paint and several cans of spray paint.

The tags used by the two suspects, were similar to other tags that have been seen throughout the city over the last several months. Based on the evidence from the current tagging event, and the previous tags both Nunez and Salami were charged with eight counts of tagging each.

Nunez and Salami were arraigned Wednesday at Malden District Court.

If convicted the defendant(s) may be sentenced to not more than two and one-half years in the House of Correction or by a fine of not less than \$1500 or not more than three times the value of the damaged property, for each count. In addition the defendant(s) is subject to suspension of drivers license.

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