

Woman Made Gallery - 685 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, IL 60622

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Group and Solo Exhibitions at WMG

June 27 - July 24, 2008

Opening Reception: June 27 / 6-9 p.m.

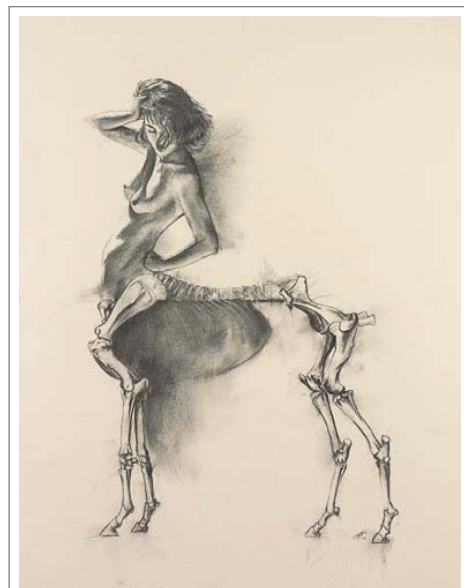
Group Exhibition: Drawing on Experience

Solo Exhibition: Drawing on Experience by Nancy Charak

Solo Exhibition: Between Lines by Nancy Rosen

Artisan Gallery: The Secret

Woman Made Gallery is pleased to announce the opening of the group show, "Drawing on Experience" and solo exhibitions by Nancy Charak and Nancy Rosen. The Artisan Gallery exhibits fine craft works in "The Secret," a group exhibition curated by Mary Stoppert and Carmen M. Perez.



Felicity Papp
Melissa
charcoal on paper, 27.5 x 19.7 inches

In conjunction with the group and solo exhibitions, Woman Made Gallery is hosting a poetry reading on July 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. Featured poets Ellen Wade Beals, Mary Kathleen Hawley, Allison Joseph, Lauren Levato, Patricia McMillen, Kristy Odellius, and Judith Valente will read their work, along with poet hosts Nina Corwin and Kathleen Kirk.

Please join us at the artist reception on Friday, June 27 from 6 to 9 p.m. at 685 N. Milwaukee Avenue in Chicago. Works will be on display until July 24, 2008.

Regular Gallery hours are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 12 to 7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 12 to 4 p.m.

Drawing on Experience

The exhibition "Drawing on Experience" includes work by 36 artists in a variety of media, drawing methods and tools on different substrates, including three-dimensional materials, that directly evidence the hand and thought of the artist.

This exhibition was juried by Nancy Charak, who is simultaneously exhibiting works in her solo show. Charak is a native Chicagoan who studied photography and design at the University of Illinois at Chicago and acquired an MFA in painting and drawing at Northern Illinois University. Charak's work can be seen at The Nines Gallery in Holland, Michigan. She is an affiliate member of the ARC Gallery of Chicago, Illinois, one of the oldest women's art cooperatives in the country.

Artists include Marjorie Albano, Sandra Beck, Sharon Bourke, Cecelia Brown, Ellen Deutsch, Kathryn Gauthier, Shelley Gilchrist, Sue Goldsmith, Iris Goldstein, Elaine Green, Kristi Hargrove, Janet Heilbronn, Bokyoung Jun, Amanda Kamen, Elzbieta (Elka) Kazmierczak, Jeanette Martone, Cheri Reif Naselli, Kristine O'Reilly, Helen Oh, Felicity Papp, Mary Phelan, Shannon Robinson, Kathryn Rodrigues, Wendy Ross, Judith Roth, Julie Rozman, Melanie Scott-Dockery, Carol Shikany, Doni

Silver Simons, Laurie Sucher, Anne Taft, Cheryl Toles, Wendy Tuxill, Allison Wade, Marjorie Williams-Smith, and Sallie Wolf.

Drawing on Experience by Nancy Charak

Nancy Charak is an affiliate member of the A.R.C. Gallery and Educational Foundation of Chicago, Illinois; one of the oldest women's art cooperatives in the country. Her art has been exhibited in Edinburgh, Scotland, New York City, and has traveled nationally with the Poetic Dialogue project to the University of Wisconsin at Waukesha and the H.F Johnson Gallery at Carthage College.

Charak's studio is located in the Roscoe Village neighborhood of Chicago, Illinois. Her work is in several corporate and private collections throughout the Midwest, including Cleveland, the Chicago area and the Sherwood Forest Bed and Breakfast of Saugatuck, Michigan.

Between Lines by Nancy Rosen

Nancy Rosen is a nationally exhibiting artist who has received her art education at the Kansas City Art Institute and at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Select exhibitions include solo shows at the Elmhurst Art Museum, Millikin University, Texas Women's University and at The Levy Center. Rosen is the recipient of the Margaret Klimek Phillips Fellowship in 2003.

"I am a painter. For me this does not require much thinking, it is like breathing. What you see in these paintings is your own reflection, like a mirror. To me they are quite simple, instinctive and essential."

The Secret: Group Show at the Artisan Gallery

The Artisan Gallery at Woman Made exhibits works by ten Artisans in "The Secret", curated by Mary Stoppert and Carmen M. Perez.

"There is nothing as titillating as a secret, because by its very nature a secret should not be revealed, which makes us want to know it even more. Artists were asked to submit work/s that somehow, somehow embody or incorporate a secret. This secret should be able to be accessed or discovered by viewer interaction or exploration. It can take form in a physical or conceptual manner."

Participating artists include Sue Canizares, Toni Bennett Easterson, Janet Felton, Bonnie Keats, Jeanine van der Loo, Sherry Mattern, Maria Navarra- Pino, Julie Rozman, Sunny Shultz, and Janet L. Whitehead

Woman Made Gallery is free and open to the public and exhibitions will be up through June 19, 2008.

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Website: www.womanmade.org

Gallery Hours: Wed-Fri noon-7pm / Sat-Sun noon-4pm / Admission: Free

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