

SIFT Gallery in Greenville, SC, Features Works by Matt Baumgardner

The SIFT Gallery located at McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture in Greenville, SC, is presenting *Winter Metamorphosis*, featuring works by acclaimed artist, Matt Baumgardner (1955-2018), on view through Jan. 31, 2023. A reception will be held on Nov. 10, from 4:30-7:30pm, including light hor d'oeuvres and remarks from the curatorial team.

Curated in collaboration with the Furman University Department of Art and the Baumgardner estate, the exhibition explores his creative process and inner spirit through a selection of paintings and drawings. Baumgardner has been recognized for his unique eye and appreciation for nature.

Baumgardner's work first captured the art world's attention in the late 70s and includes a prolific and diverse portfolio of drawings, paintings and sculptural cubes.



Work by Matt Baumgardner

world through creating clean, simple paintings from ordinary objects which seem to be frozen in time. These interludes, "silences which give the form," help to define her art, to bring it into focus, and separate intimate moments from the endless drone of the world around us.

Trueblood is an artist based in Orem, Utah, where she spends her days caring for her two children and capturing inspiration from her quiet observations. Her new body of work represents pauses in timemoments where we can step away from chaos or stress and sit in quiet meditation. According to Megan, "I find growth in these restful moments as I appreciate the simple beauty of a familiar scene or find new meaning in the mundane and ordinary. And I am reminded of the restorative energy within the interludes of art and life." Her paintings offer a sense of calm and perhaps a little escape or stillness from the everyday hustle and bustle.

Trueblood grew up in the Salt Lake Valley with two creative parents who encouraged her artistic journey from a young age. Finding beauty in the familiar and the everyday, her work is meant to inspire peace and provide a respite from the chaos of our busy lives. She has always been interested in the interaction of color and the use of negative space and explores both in her current body of work. Megan received her BFA from Brigham Young University, where she has also taught as an adjunct professor. She has shown her work in many local and national galleries and exhibits.



Work by Megan Trueblood

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His work has been exhibited in internationally recognized galleries, receiving favorable reviews from *The New York Times*, *The New Yorker* and *The Chicago Tribune*.

Baumgardner earned his MFA from The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and was a National Endowment for the Arts Visual Arts fellow. Since 2019, his work has been studied by Furman students and his archives documented by the Furman University Department of Art.

Baumgardner designed and built a studio in nearby Travelers Rest, SC, after over 20 years of living and working as a professional artist in New York. Furman University's Department of Art will also host an exhibition of Baumgardner's works Jan. 17 through Feb. 17, 2023 in the Thompson Gallery in the Roe Art Building on campus.

SIFT Gallery is located in the McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture lobby, 400 Augusta Street, Suite 200 Greenville, SC 29601.

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Art & Light Gallery in Greenville, SC, Offers Works by Megan Trueblood

Art & Light Gallery in Greenville, SC, will present *Interludes*, where Megan Trueblood, surrendering to moments in time, creates opportunistic still life paintings, on view from Nov. 1 - 26, 2022. A reception will be held on Nov. 4, from 6-8pm. Inspired by Frank Lloyd Wright's quote, "Space is the breath of art." Megan Trueblood finds solace in our busy, often chaotic *continued above on next column to the right*

Greenville Center for Creative Arts in Greenville, SC, Features Works by Sarkis Chorbadjian

The Greenville Center for Creative Arts in Greenville, SC, will present *Square Roots*, featuring works by Sarkis Chorbadjian, on view in the Community Gallery, from Nov. 4 through Dec. 21, 2022. A reception will be held on Nov. 4, from 6-9pm. In *Square Roots*, Chorbadjian showcases square-formatted paintings that explore the application and removal of oil & cold wax layers. For Chorbadjian, scratching large, square painting surfaces to their roots reveals an emotional significance that is a product of the process in which he *continued on Page 12*

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