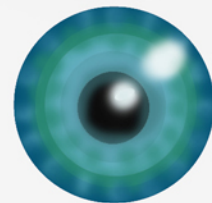


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The information we absorb from a multitude of visual, cultural and virtual cues is constantly being shuffled and reorganized in our thoughts.

“Living in the moment” has become a lost art as everything one experiences, even the most benign or inane occurrences, has to be recorded and passed along via social media.

In stark contrast, Paul Gagner, Stacy Greene, Eric Ramos Guerrero, Bill Gusky and Jeanne Tremel express thoughtfully their personal histories via stimulating colors, curious subjects and compelling gestures in paint and mixed materials as they look at life through both their inward and outward worlds.

As they attempt to make sense of it all the five artists selected for this exhibition reveal several fundamentally distinctive and uniquely visceral narratives that are oddly real, wholly arresting and deeply personal.

D. Dominick Lombardi
Curator



Paul Gagner, *Hairscaping* (2015)
oil on canvas, 26 X 30 inches

Paul Gagner, not unlike Philip Guston before him, finds a sort of deadpan, somewhat amusing take on the fallibility and eccentricities of the



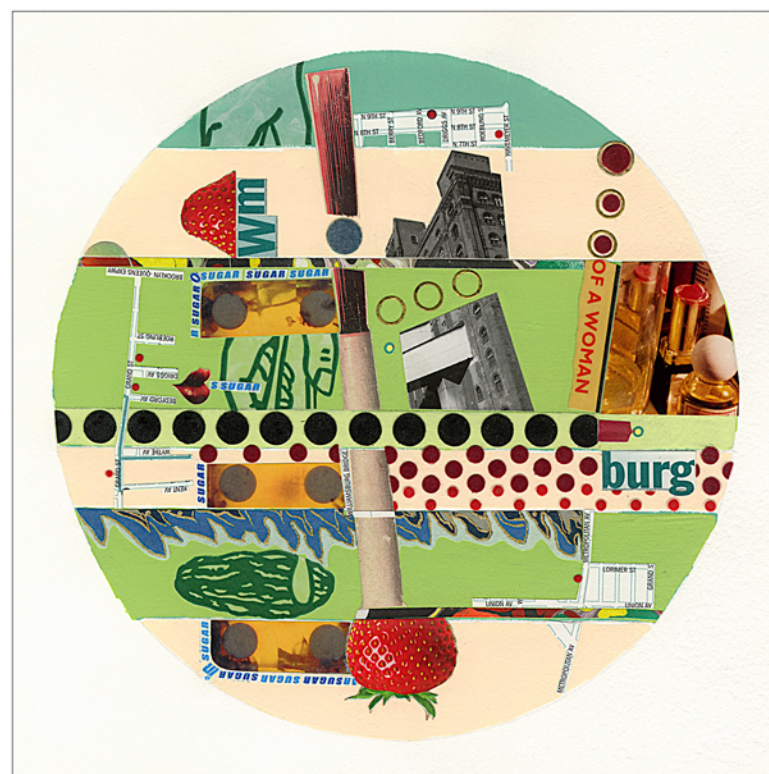
Paul Gagner
Occupational Hazards (2015)
oil on canvas, 44 X 48 inches

human condition. Reality is always in question and purpose is a sneaking suspicion in the loaded, and abnormally 'everyday life' paintings of Gagner.



Stacy Greene
Kyoto #3 - Searching for Pierre Loti (2014)
 mixed media
 7.5 X 7.5 inches

Stacy Greene has chosen a much different path mimicking in life and expressing in art the ongoing series *Searching for Pierre Loti*. In it, we see specific symbols accenting curious



Stacy Greene
Williamsburg, Brooklyn - Searching for Pierre Loti (2013)
 mixed media
 7.5 X 7.5 inches

vagaries keeping us off-balance and wondering while the patterns and juxtapositions make for fantastical flights of fancy.



Eric Ramos Guerrero, *Habitat* (2009)
ink and gouache on digital print
36 X 48 inches

The art of **Eric Ramos Guerrero** embodies a new age of Social Realism. His art reveals how more and more, we see the world in overlapping, and at times disjointed experiences that mix the

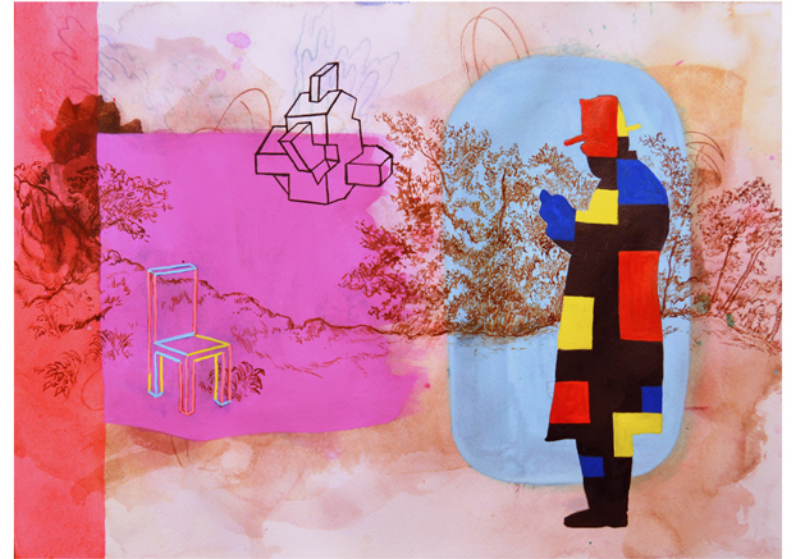


Eric Ramos Guerrero, *Clothesline 1* (2013), oil on canvas, 20 X 24 inches

actual with the virtual. As a result, the here and now is mixed with parallel realities colored by pure emotion.



Bill Gusky
Diet of Worms (2013)
 acrylic and colored pencil on canvas
 30 X 24 inches



Bill Gusky
A Change of Venue (2015)
 watercolor on paper
 12 X 16 inches

Bill Gusky presents us with many possible pathways with little or no way out. We get caught up in his unreasonable reasoning and find ourselves unanchored by the improbable yet enchanted by the unknowable to a point where, if we look hard enough, we may find the most basic truths.



Jeanne Tremel
Bygones (2008)
 mixed yarn, thread and safety pins
 18 X 18 inches



Jeanne Tremel, *Shrub Contraption* (2013)
 wood, yarn, oil paint, ceramic, plastic, metal and fabric
 30 X 30 X 24 inches

Jeanne Tremel is an uninhibited elaborator. Fact and fantasy come close to meeting but they never quite coalesce. What we do know from her work is that nature can be rivaled if the spirit is free from inhibition and the hands, heart and mind are willing to challenge and create.