HOME



Cicely Aikman, Gideon Bok, Alan Bray, Lois Dodd Jeff Epstein, Melanie Essex, Breehan James, Elisa Jensen Bernard Langlais, K. Min, Jody Payne, Jay Stern, Barbara Sullivan, Nancy Wissemann-Widrig

Melanie Essex - Guest Curator

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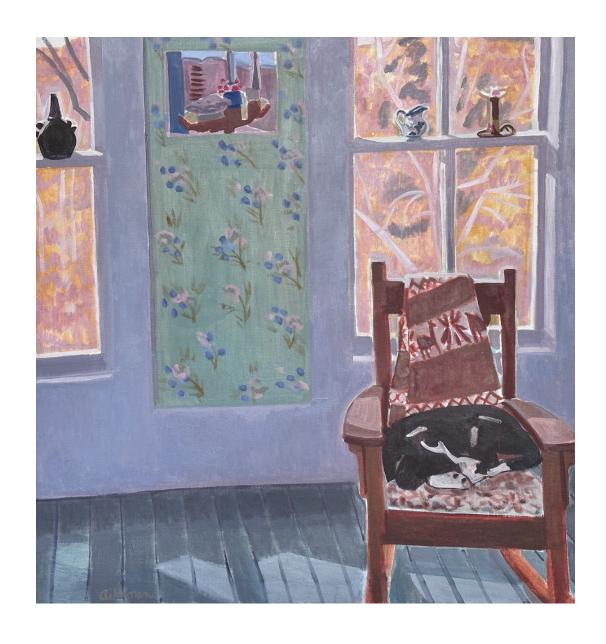
Curator's Note:

The idea is to consider "home" not only as a place/refuge/interior but as muse - an essential element of an individual's creative identity and process.

Each of these artists adresses this in their own way - from the forthright domesticity of Cicely Aikman to Gideon Bok's studio portraits, Alan Bray's intricate nests, Lois Dodd's water pistols, Jeff Epstein's bird feeder, Breehan James's camp environments, Elisa Jensen's rich interior/exterior dialogues, the welcoming pet of Bernard Langlais, K. Min's sun-soaked room, Jody Payne's view of the house across the field, Jay Stern's luscious yet subversive spaces, Barbara Sullivan's provocative apron, and Nancy Wissemann-Widrig's entranced reader.

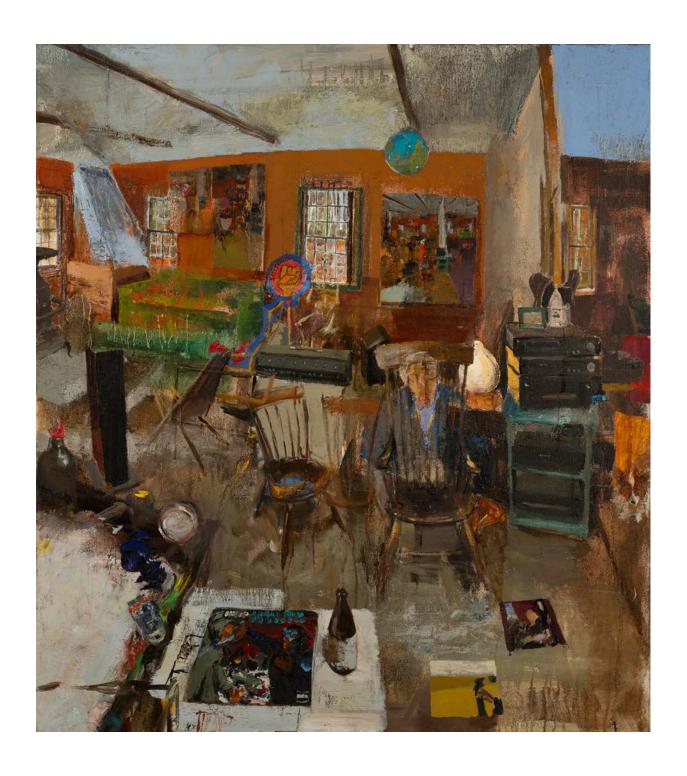
I learned more from looking at this work than I could possibly conjure up on my own. It is a pleasure.

Melanie Essex September 2023



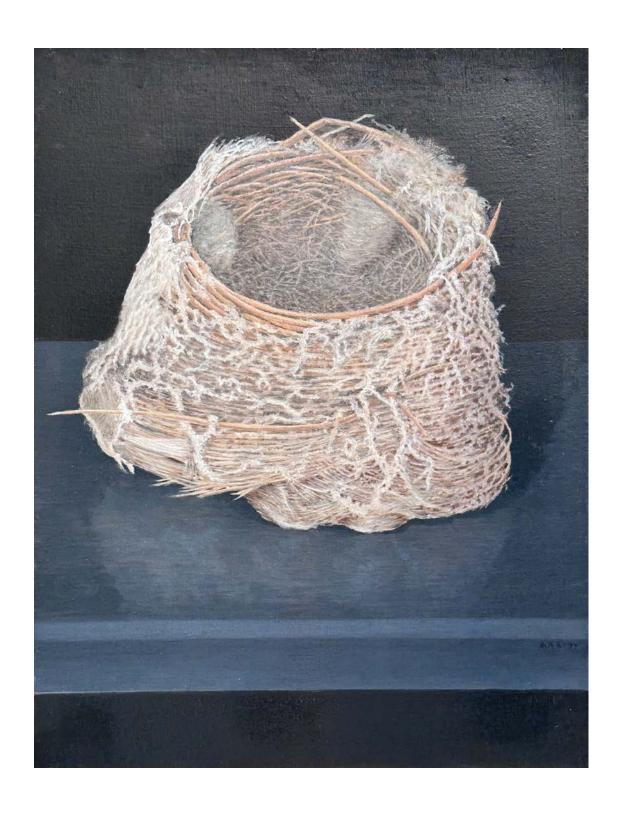
AFTERNOON NAP OF LADYBUG 1974 oil on linen, 32 x 32 inches

Cicely Aikman (American 1923 -2013)



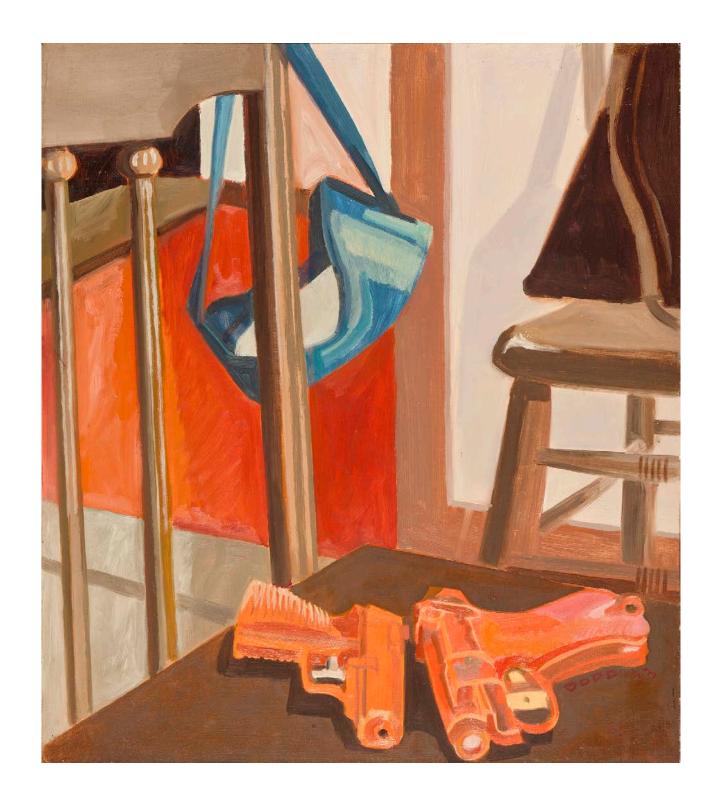
MOM/MRS. HONEY/BEING THERE 2022 oil on linen 49 x 44 inches (nfs)

Gideon Bok



REBUILT NEST 2023 casein on panel 11 1/2 x 9 inches

Alan Bray



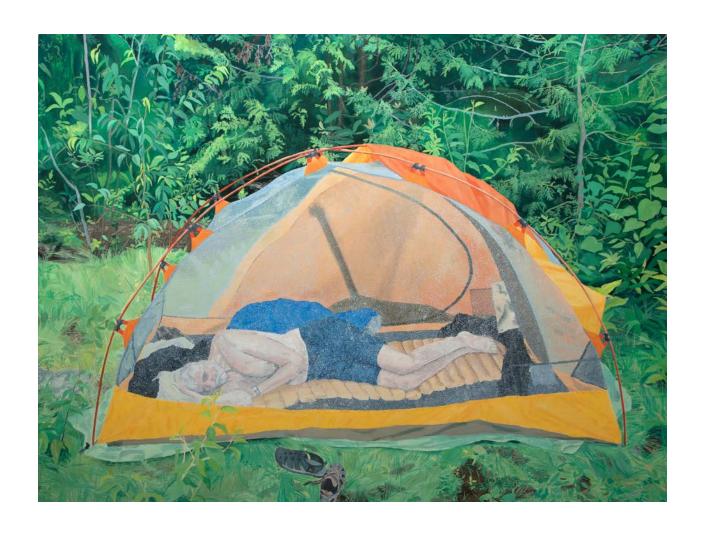
SUMMER PARAPHENALIA 1973 oil on panel 16 x 14 inches

Lois Dodd



BIRD FEEDER WITH REFLECTION, 2022 oil on linen 40 x 50 inches

Jeff Epstein



RESTING AT CAMP 2015 oil on canvas 38 x 50 inches

Breehan James



BACKYARD BLUE HOUR 2023 oil on panel 14 x 11 inches

Elisa Jensen



SITTING DOG 1970s Wood 36 1/2 x 54 1/2 x 18 1/2 inches (nfs)

> Bernard Langlais (American 1921 -1977)



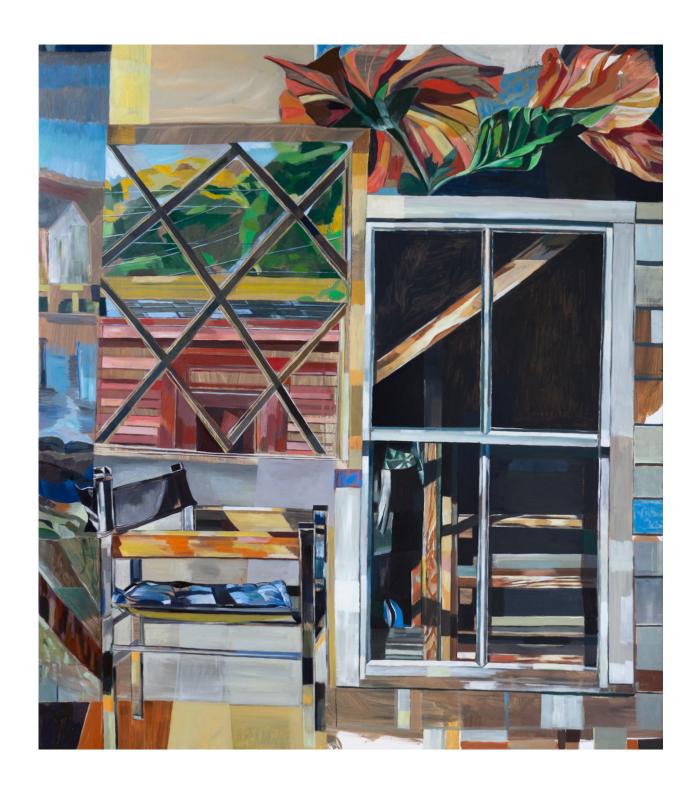
NEW YORK STORY - MORNING 2022 oil on canvas 36 x 46 inches

K. Min



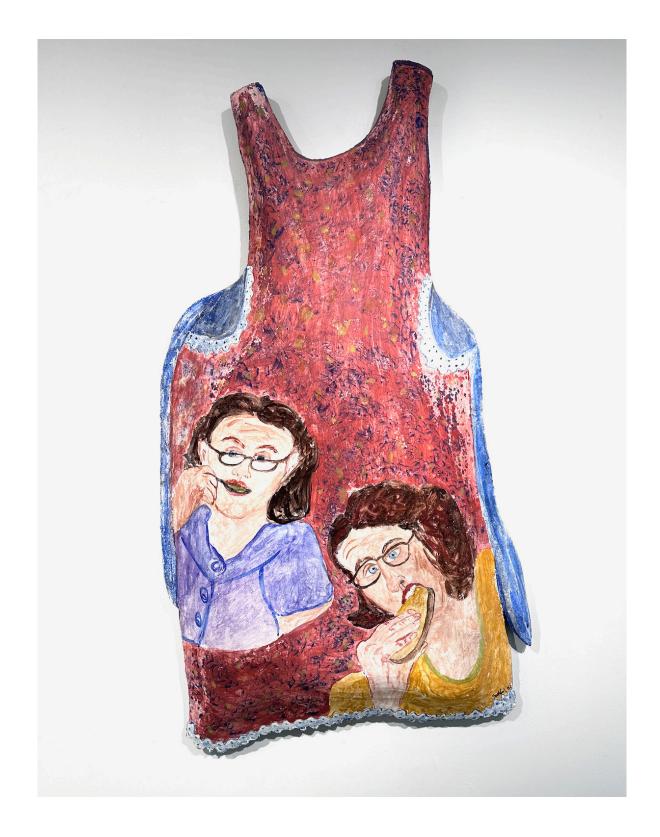
THE FORCE THAT DRIVES THE FLOWER 2022 watercolor on paper 18 x 24 inches

Jody Payne



BETWEEN TWO WINDOWS, VINALHAVEN 2023 oil on canvas 45 x 40 inches

Jay Stern



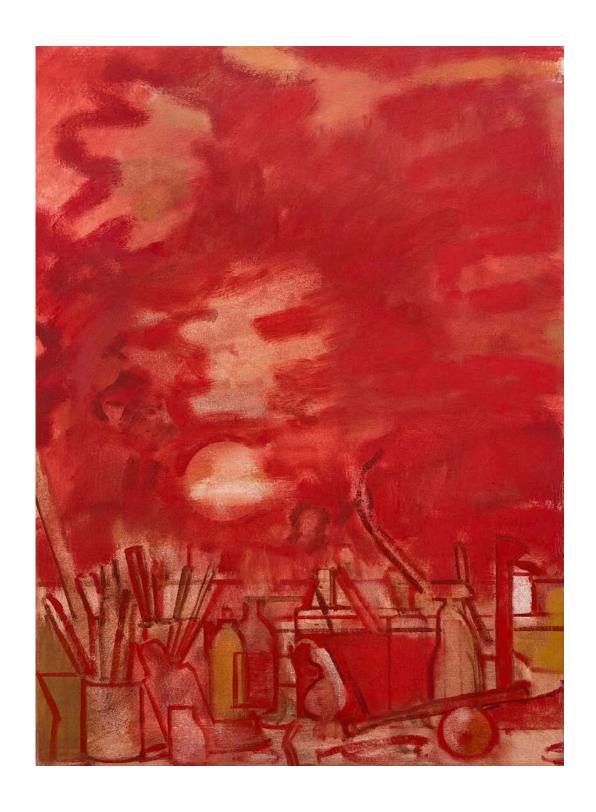
FEED THEM ALL 2002 shaped fresco 39 1/2 x 21 x 3 inches

Barbara Sullivan



SUMMER READING 1972 acrylic on canvas 42 x 50 inches

Nancy Wissemann-Widrig



STUDIO CLUTTER (Lockdown) #2 2020 oil on canvas 30 x 22 inches

Melanie Essex

With thanks to the artists:

Cicely Aikman

Gideon Bok - courtesy of SHFAP in New York, Alpha Gallery, Boston and Page

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Alan Bray

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Breehan James - courtesy Page Gallery, Camden

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Bernard Langlais - Loan from the Langlais Art Preserve, Cushing, Maine, protected by Georges River Land Trust. Gift of John and Joanne Payson, 2015.

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