

# 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 addresses 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 PARAPHERNALIA 1973  
oil on panel 16 x 14 inches

Lois Dodd



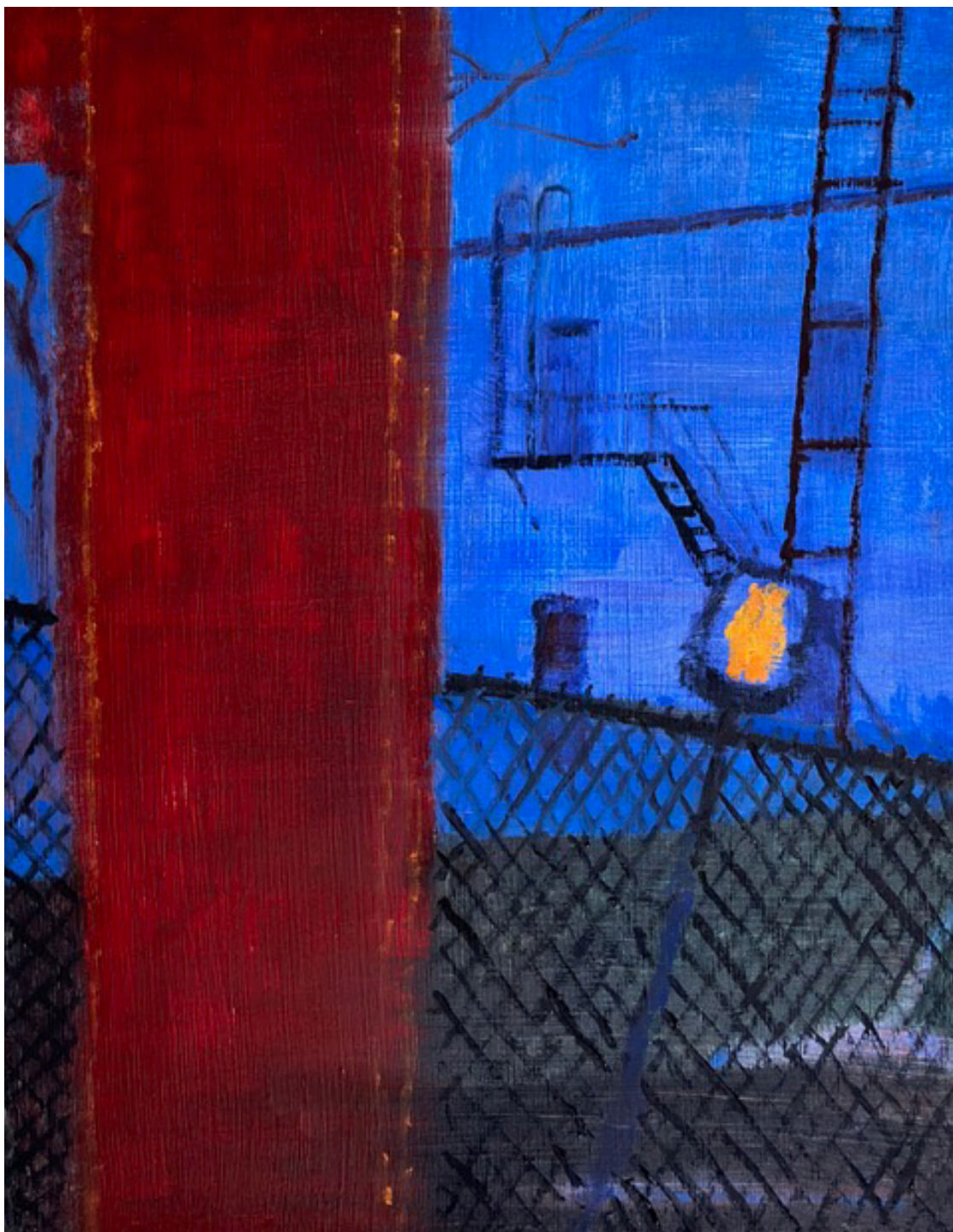
BIRD FEEDER WITH REFLECTION, 2022  
oil on linen 40 x 50 inches

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



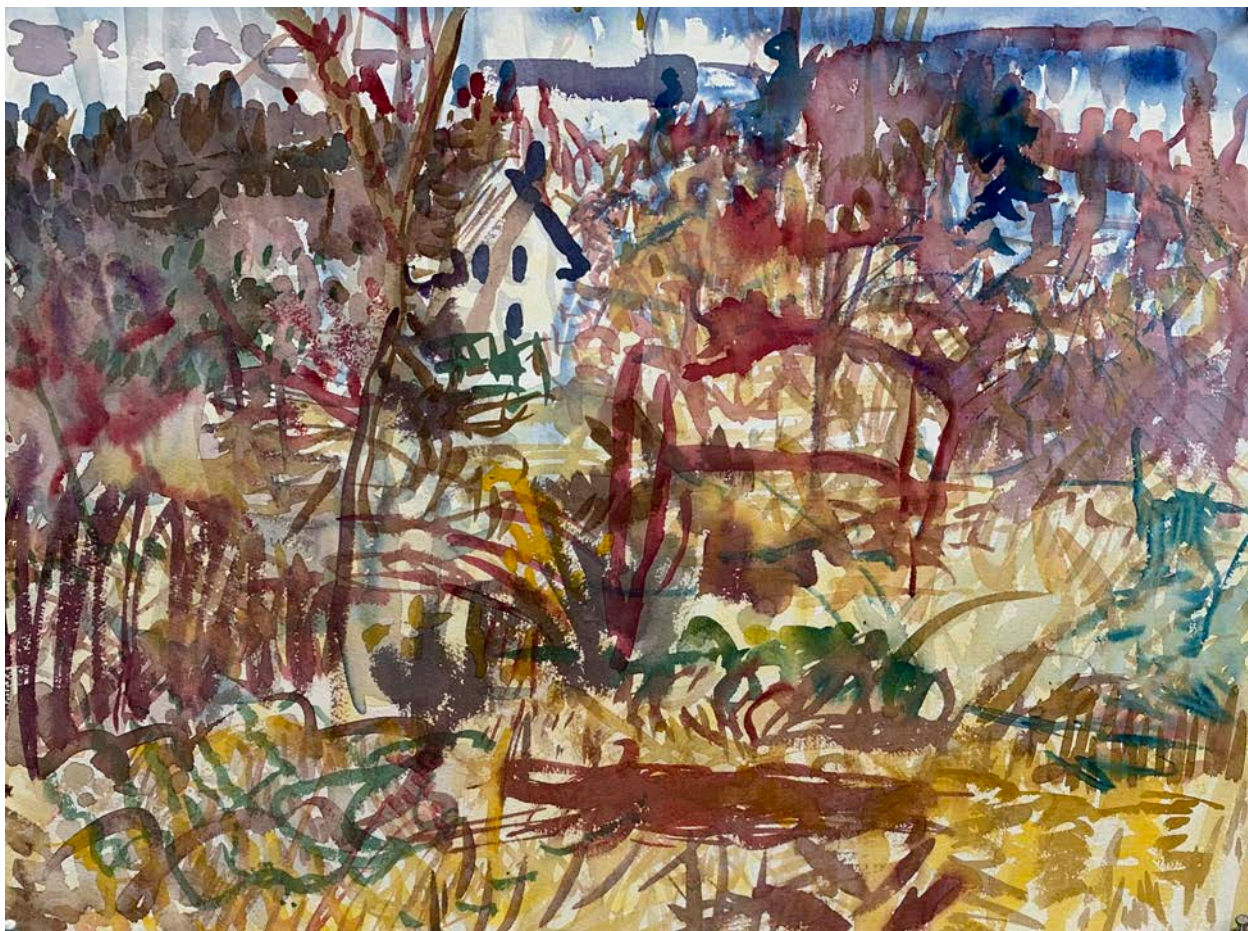
SITTING DOG 1970's  
Wood 36 1/2 x 54 1/2 x 18 1/2 inches (nfs)

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 Gallery, Camden. Photo credit - Dave Clough Photography

Alan Bray

Lois Dodd

Jeff Esptein

Melanie Essex

Breehan James - courtesy Page Gallery, Camden

Elisa Jensen

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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