

ARTS, CULTURE & SOCIETY EVENTS

MAIN LINE ART CENTER PRESENTS "TWEAK OF NATURE" 11TH ANNUAL BETSY MEYER MEMORIAL EXHIBITION



See Kate Stewart's "Götterdämmerung" (detail), custom wall covering and fabric, paint, chairs, dimensions variable (20' x 20' x 20'), © Kate Stewart 2012.

Main Line Art Center in Haverford is proud to announce Seunghwui Koo (New York, NY), Tasha Lewis (New York, NY), Kate Stewart (Philadelphia, PA) have been named recipients of the 2015 Meyer Family Award for Contemporary Art. Selected by Members of Main Line Art Center's Board of Artistic Advisors and Executive Director through a competitive application process, Koo, Lewis, and Stewart will be featured in "Tweak of Nature," the 11th Annual Betsy Meyer Memorial Exhibition, on view at Main Line Art Center **March 9 to April 21**. The exhibition hosts photo-based constructions, whimsical sculpture, large-scale paintings, and site-specific installation. Inspired by the exhilarating energy of natural and urban environments, these artists speak to our collective experience as human beings navigating the elements, the animal kingdom, and each other. Manipulating and tweaking our perception of nature and its creatures, they create new beings, surroundings, and realities that surprise, challenge, and delight.

For over a decade, Main Line Art Center has presented an exhibition each spring in memory of Teaching Artist Betsy Meyer featuring the work of forward-thinking artists who are pushing boundaries within their artistic practice. As an artist, Betsy exemplified what is most exciting about engaging with the artwork of living artists: watching them experiment with their media and tackling complicated and tough subjects. As a teacher, she encouraged her students to follow her example and expand their practice into new frontiers. And finally, as a member of the board and exhibition committee, she assured that the Art Center was there for the artistic community of Philadelphia.

In 2014, Main Line Art Center and the Meyer Family expanded the exhibition program to include the Meyer Family Award for Contemporary Art, which consists of a solo exhibition and award of \$1000 to each selected artist. The growth of this program is an effort to support the talented contemporary artists in the Mid-Atlantic region, to honor deserving artists in the field, and to encourage excellence and experimentation in artistic practice, presentation, and community involvement. The 2014 recipients of the Meyer Family Award for Contemporary Art were Tim Portlock, Jennie Thwing, and Nic Coviello.

The Art Center will host artist talks Friday, **March 13**, from 6:5:30 to 8:30 p.m., followed by a public reception from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. featuring samplings from the center's wine sponsor, Barefoot Wine & Bubbly. The artist talk, reception and gallery visits are free and open to the public. The gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Friday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Additional programs for "Tweak of Nature" include two family workshops presented by Seunghwui Koo on Saturday, **April 11**, a family workshop by Tasha Lewis on Sunday, **April 19**, from 1 to 4 p.m., and a workshop for adults on alternative drawing techniques presented by Kate Stewart on Saturday, **April 18**, from 1 to 4 p.m. For info about "Tweak of Nature" or associated programs, visit www.mainlinert.org or call 610-525-0272.

"Jazz in the Wood"

The Jazz Bridge "Jazz in the Wood" First Thursdays Neighborhood Concerts Series at the Collingswood Community Center, 30 East Collings Avenue in Collingswood, NJ, bassist Craig Thomas on Thursday, **March 5**. Showtime is 7:30 p.m., tickets are \$10/\$5 for students, and are only available at the door. For information: 856-858-8914, 215-517-8337 or visit www.jazzbridge.org/events/neighborhood-concerts.

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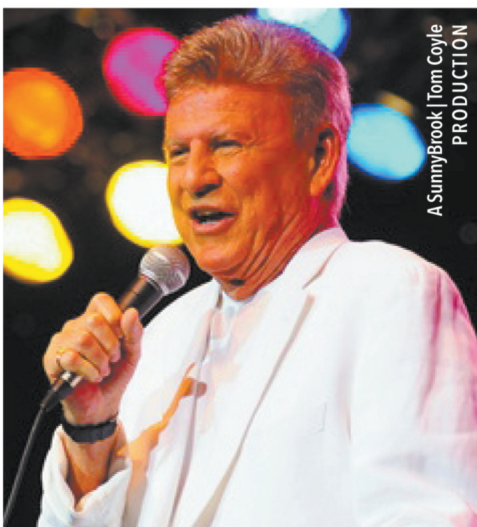
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