"Draw the Line" Exhibit at Main Line Art Center

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10 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., followed by a public reception from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The artist talk, reception and gallery visits are free and open to the public.

Drawing with ink, clay, and conduit, these artists investigate the permeable borders between internal and external matter, perception, and experience. Accessing both intuition and intellect, drawing and memory are the basis for inquiry. Their videos, installations, and sculptures create new worlds that illuminate and activate the galleries to create seductive narratives, uncanny characters, and immersive environments.

Paul Santoleri's impressive work will feature a 12' x 20' paper drawing as well as wall, floor, and window works created on site that reference our relationship to nature and the harrowing journey of refugees seeking new homes across seas. Raised in Havertown, Santoleri took drawing classes at Main Line Art Center when he was 13 years old. He now travels extensively to make his work and is represented globally in collections public and private.

"Self Creation" by Kelley Donahue, a ceramic, installation, and performance artist currently based in Brooklyn, NY.

Now in its thirteenth year, Main Line Art Center presents an annual exhibition 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.

The Meyer Family Award for Contemporary Art, presented by Main Line Art Center in conjunction with the Betsy Meyer Memorial Exhibition, consists of an award of $1000 and a solo exhibition to each selected artist. This award and associated exhibition program is an effort to support the talented contemporary artists in the region, to honor deserving artists in the field, and to encourage excellence and experimentation in artistic practice, presentation, and community involvement. Approximately three artists are awarded annually.

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. Each of the artists will also facilitate a workshop on their process during the course of "Transformations." For information about these programs, including registration, visit www.mainlineart.org or call 610-525-0272.

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