

# FOUNTAIN HOUSE GALLERY

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### **Fountain House Gallery Presents “In the House” Works from the Fountain House Studio One Program**

**On view: March 12 – April 22, 2015**

**Reception: March 12, 6-8 p.m.**

**NEW YORK CITY** – Fountain House Gallery (formerly Fountain Gallery), located at 702 Ninth Avenue and representing artists with mental illness, announces the upcoming exhibition “In the House.” This show features works from Studio One, a Fountain House program that provides workshops, training, temporary space, and supplies to members who wish to cultivate their artistic talents. “In the House” will open with a Reception on March 12, 2015, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and will remain on view through April 22, 2015. The exhibition is curated by Studio One participating artists and organized by volunteer Karen Gormandy, Studio One Coordinator.

“Studio One is a community that aims to acknowledge, recognize, and celebrate the style of each artist, encourage its development, and support the artist in owning it and taking pride in it,” said Gormandy. “Each Fountain House artist brings an individual style to Studio One, where there is no ‘wrong’ way to make art. Learning about tools and materials is important, but what is extraordinary is the moment when an artist takes off from that. Many of these artists at Fountain House pick up a brush or a pencil – or utilize an unconventional material such as bubble wrap – from an impulse that is radically complex and subsequently expresses itself in a complex aesthetic. Such work seems to materialize from a place that magically transcends the artist’s medium.”

Studio One acts as a bridge between Fountain House Gallery and Fountain House, the Gallery’s parent organization, and is open to all Fountain House members, from seasoned artists to beginners.

“In the House” spotlights pieces by more than 20 artists. Mediums represented include pencil, ink, pastel, watercolor, acrylic, and mixed media.

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This program is supported, in part, by public funds from the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs, and by generous support from the Jarvis & Constance Doctorow Family Foundation, the Renate, Hans and Maria Hofmann Trust, and the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation.

**About Fountain House Gallery (formerly Fountain Gallery)**

Fountain House Gallery provides an environment for artists living and working with mental illness to pursue their creative visions and to challenge the stigma that surrounds mental illness. Founded by Fountain House in 2000 as a not-for-profit exhibition space for its member-artists, the Gallery sells original artworks and collaborates with a wide network of artists, curators and cultural institutions. Embracing artists who are emerging or established, trained or self-taught, Fountain House Gallery cultivates artistic growth and makes a vital contribution to the New York arts community.

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Hours: Tues.-Sat. 11-7; Sun. 1-5.  
More than a gallery. A movement.

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