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Listing Information:

Lucille Nurkse and Jody Silver

Daily Inspiration:

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Lucille Nurkse

The Swimmer and the Fisherman

*A opening reception for the artists will be held April 14, 2006 from 6-8pm.
ARTwalk Montclair – Sunday May 20th 12 to 5pm*

Montclair NJ – ART AS STORYTELLING

Artspace 129 is pleased to present a show of collage and sculpture by two artists who are storytellers. *Daily Inspiration* is a collection of works that explores the little magic moments many of us experience everyday. Those flickers of understanding, knowing and appreciating the world around us.

Lucille Nurkse's collages celebrate the people in the communities she is part of. Often the figure is the principal inspiration. A person, or a moment catches her attention and that captured in a memory and a sketch and then translated into a collage. Her technique is one of building and layering, often using intricate combinations of patterned and hand painted papers to achieve an essential gesture, distilling a moment to it's essence. The work is flat and abstract, and yet figurative enough to tell a story. These stories unfold in an environment imbued with rich color and beauty and capturing the spirit of the humanity they depict.

Nurkse is a graduate of Wellesley College, and has studied independently with Skip Lawrence, Andrew Reiss and Wang Chi Yuan. She has been awarded residencies at Byrdcliffe Art Colony and the Blue Mountain Center. She has been making art for over 20 years and has exhibited widely. She is longtime resident of Brooklynn.



Jody Silver

A Brush with Romance

Jody Silver's path as an artist has been rich and fruitful and she has recently emerged as a sculptor. She studied art at Queens College, and then got a Masters in fine arts at Hunter College. Since then, she has made prints and animated films, published children books, taught animation and has worked as an illustrator. But, about six years ago her path changed it's course as she discovered that she could work in 3D.

Armed with a band saw, a scroll saw, a ton of other tools and found objects gathered from in her travels, between NY and Connecticut, she began assembling. Some pieces fell into place with relative ease, but most emerged slowly. A piece of wood that in a previous existence had been a hat form, a second that had been a shoe tree, and a third that came from the curved back of a chair do not always easily accept coexisting with each other as parts of a perky dog. But when they do it is magic. And so, old objects were given new life. Then she goes back to her inventory of discarded wooden parts and sets out to discover what other surprises they hold.

artspace 129, is located in a law office in Montclair, NJ. The gallery shows work by regional contemporary artists in familiar environments, with the aim to inspire the appreciation of art in everyday life and occasionally does so outside the context of it's normal exhibition location in order to introduce the work of their artists to collectors and art lovers in Montclair, NJ. The Curator, Christina Saj Farrell, been curating for seven years and has become recognized for subtle and interesting pairings of artists. She's organized exhibits in University, Library, Commercial and Corporate Galleries in the United States and Europe. For more information about the gallery or to make an appointment please visit <http://www.artspace129.com> (artspace 129).

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Jpegs available on request.