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ART EVENT LISTING:

SPONTANEITY AND SPIRITUALITY FEATURING THE OILS OF JOHN REILLY AND LIRON SISSMAN

The Geary Gallery of Fairfield County, CT is proud to feature the oil paintings of John Reilly and Liron Sissman. The exhibit runs from October 1 – October 31, 2011. Admission is free, paintings are available for acquisition. Geary Gallery is located at 576 Boston Post Road, Darien, CT 06820. Open Wednesday – Saturday, 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (203) 655-6633; www.gearygallery.com.

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**GEARY GALLERY ANNOUNCES ITS OCTOBER EXHIBIT:
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SISSMAN**

September 16, 2011, Darien, CT – The Geary Gallery of Darien, CT

(www.gearygallery.com) proudly announces its October exhibit: "Studies in Spontaneity and Spirituality" featuring the oils of John Reilly and Liron Sissman.

John Reilly, Spontaneous Studies in Oil

Prior to picking up a paintbrush in 1985, John Reilly ran a successful mid-town



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Manhattan advertising agency by the age of 23. Once he devoted himself to painting, Reilly channeled the same focus, creativity and energy that drove his success in advertising into his artwork.

Born in Brooklyn and a resident of Califon, New Jersey, Reilly studied painting in New York City at the Art Student's League, the National Academy of Design with Sam Adoquei and privately with Burt Silverman and Everett Raymond Kinstler. In New Jersey, he attended the Newark School of Fine Art.

Reilly describes his paintings as "spontaneous studies done in oil." He uses varied subjects—from bankers to belly dancers—to express his passion for variety and spontaneity. He blends sensitive brushwork with bold, vibrant colors to capture the unique visual essence of his subjects.

His artwork has been exhibited at the Nabisco Gallery, Audubon Artist's at the Salmagundi Club and the National Academy of Design. He has also done one person shows at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, the Watchung Arts Center, the Robert Wood Johnson Children's Specialized Hospital and the Clarence Dillon Public Library. His work was also featured in Peapack Gladstone Bank's 2009 calendar.

View images of John Reilly's paintings at Geary Gallery's [online gallery](http://www.gearygallery.com/gallery/?function=list&artist_id=96).
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Liron Sissman, Portraits of a Universal Nature

According to Liron Sissman, every painting is a self portrait of a universal nature. She does not paint people—instead, her subject is nature and the world we live in—images which viewers of diverse backgrounds can relate to. Like her flower paintings,



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Sissman's landscapes are not just to reflect nature but rather to project an inner reflection, a metaphorical journey. Sissman admires the intense emotions found in the works of the Expressionists. Like them, she mixes her soul with her paints.

Sissman's paintings have won multiple awards, have been written about extensively and appear in more than 100 private collections from New York to California. Her work was famously featured in the movie "Something Borrowed" starring Kate Hudson.

Liron Sissman is a Fellow of The American Artists Professional League. Her biography is listed in Who's Who in the World, Who's Who in America, Who's Who in American Art and Who's Who of American Women. She is also the founder of www.ArtistAdvisory.com, a website that promotes emerging visual artists.

View images of Liron Sissman paintings at Geary Gallery's [online gallery](http://www.gearygallery.com/gallery/?function=list&artist_id=78).
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About Geary Gallery

Since its founding in 1984, Geary Gallery has become one of Fairfield County's preeminent art galleries, featuring an extensive collection of original artwork and limited edition prints from more than 50 artists. Offering four elaborate display rooms, Geary Gallery maintains an ambitious exhibition schedule to showcase both Connecticut-based artists with national reputations, as well as well-known artists from along the Eastern seaboard.

The public can enjoy a new show virtually every five weeks (except during the summer months). In addition to the Gallery, located on premises are Accent Picture Framing and

Restoration with and an extensive selection of more than 2,000 corner samples for any type of artwork. Its precision restoration service has restored oil paintings and frames that hang in many museums, galleries and historical societies.

Geary Gallery is owned and operated by Anne and Tom Geary, who have spent more than 25 years as friends to artists, spotting talent and market appeal and nurturing careers.

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