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ART EVENT LISTING:

This November, the Geary Gallery of Darien is proud to present, "*Jim Rodgers: Tranche de Vie*," an exhibit of the poetic portrayal of nature and slice of life vision of landscape and oil painter, Jim Rodgers, Nov. 1 to Nov. 31. And from Nov. 17 to Dec. 24, the Gallery presents "*The Little Treasures Holiday Show*," a collection of unique and affordable fine art, all 8" x 10" or smaller, from some of the region's best artists. Geary Gallery is open Wednesday to Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 576 Boston Post Road, Darien, CT 06820. (203) 655-6633. www.gearygallery.com

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**THE GEARY GALLERY IN DARIEN PRESENTS:
"JIM RODGERS: TRANCHE DE VIE" PLUS
"THE LITTLE TREASURES HOLIDAY SHOW"**

Oct. 17, 2012, Darien, CT... The Geary Gallery of Darien (www.gearygallery.com) is proud to present "*Jim Rodgers: Tranche de Vie*," an exhibit of the poetic portrayal of nature and slice of life vision of landscape and oil painter, Jim Rodgers, opening Nov. 1 to Nov. 31.



And for your holiday gift giving, from Nov. 17 to Dec. 24, the Gallery presents "*The Little Treasures Holiday Show*," a collection of more than 150 unique and affordable fine art by some of the region's most well-known and respected artists. Featuring only works that are 8" x 10" or smaller, all media is represented, from oils to pastels, acrylics to watercolors.

The "Little Treasures" show was inspired by gallery visitors' love of fine art, and the appeal of one-of-a-kind, memorable keepsakes, combined with the appeal of pieces that are easier on the pocket than some of the more substantial statement pieces that are generally on display at the gallery for acquisition.

For truly heart-felt unique gift giving ideas, Geary Gallery is pleased to present this holiday show that features the artwork of more than 20 artists, all well known masters of their particular medium. The show opens Nov. 17, through Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, 2012.

**Featured Artist, November
Jim Rodgers**

Born in New Jersey and now a resident of Pennsylvania, Jim Rodgers studied at the Art Students League in New York City, as well as the Ridgewood Art Institute, where he studied landscape painting.



Rodgers paints a wide range of subjects and subject matter, from lush American and European landscapes to intimate genre paintings, as well as elegant and sophisticated still life and floral renderings. His paintings reflect richness in tone and color that are the result of more than 30 years of professional study and artistic sojourns throughout the United States, England, Ireland, France, and Italy. These journeys helped to produce the subject matter and

inspiration that is the basis of his painterly impressionistic style. He currently resides in the bucolic countryside of Lancaster County in Pennsylvania, where he enjoys capturing the quiet, sylvan landscapes of farm country on canvas.

Rodgers' intention is to capture the mood of the scenes he has painted "en plein air," and rendered in his studio to give the viewer a glimpse of what he has experienced. He tries to evoke an emotional response from the viewer through his poetic portrayal of nature and his concept of a *tranche de vie*—slice of life—vision.



Rodgers' work is in the private and corporate collections of such patrons as Charles Foster, the Vice President of Dunn and Bradstreet, Dr. Elias Hebekka, President of Warner Lambert, Richard T. Merriman, President and CEO of Pennsylvania Trust, John W. Schmidlin, Chairman of JP Morgan, Joseph M. Goryeb, President and COO of Champion Mortgage, CNBC spokesman and Wall Street investor, Peter Kenny, jazz musician Michael Franks, NHL star Pat LaFontaine, and Mark Rockefeller.

Rodgers has been affiliated with the Morris County Art Association in Morristown, New Jersey, the Dutchess County Art Association in Millbrook, New York, the Salmagundi Club in New York City, and the Delaware Art Museum.

He has also received numerous awards, including prizes from RS Galleries Juried Exhibition, the Rochelle Art Association, Best in Show-CCA National Show at Ridgewood Art Society, Abigail & Willys Silvers Award-Bianco Gallery Show, and Best in Show-R.S. Galleries Juried Exhibition, Las Vegas. He is prolific by nature, and has had more than 26 one-man shows, with several recent shows nearly selling out.

To view some of Jim Rodger's work, visit our online gallery:

http://www.gearygallery.com/gallery/?function=list&artist_id=117

Jim Rodgers' exhibit runs from November 1 to November 30, 2012. All are welcome, admission is free, and his paintings are available for acquisition. "*The Little Treasures Holiday Show*" begins right before Thanksgiving, opening Nov. 17, and runs through

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, 2012. Geary Gallery is open to the public Wednesday through Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and is located at 576 Boston Post Road in Darien, CT, 06820. For more information, contact (203) 655-6633 or visit www.gearygallery.com.

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About Geary Gallery

Founded in 1984, Geary Gallery is one of Fairfield County's preeminent art galleries, featuring an extensive collection of original artwork. 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. The Gallery also offers a Custom Original Portrait Service, which matches their favorite artists with customers wishing to commission an original portrait of their family, an individual, pet or home. With an extensive inventory of over 2,000 corner frames, Accent Picture Framing and Restoration is a service that is highly regarded for its master framing techniques as well as precision art restoration services for leading museums, auction houses, and historical societies. For more information about Geary Gallery, call (203) 655-6633 or visit <http://www.gearygallery.com>.