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PRESS RELEASE – Continuing Exhibition

The Island Gallery
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EVENT:



October 6 – 31, 2017

Art is both inspirational and functional. Paintings, prints and sculptures in the home inspire our daily lives. Where we sit and sleep, how we cook and eat our food, and drink our coffee and wine, art enhances the flavor of life. Fourteen of the gallery's artists exhibit new work – furniture, prints, ceramics, and fiber sculpture - that both inspires and provides functionality for daily living.

Featuring

Sean Carleton, Patrick Clanton, L. Wendy Dunder, Meg Hartwell, Robin Hominiuk
Renee Jameson, Tom Johnson, Sarah Kaye, David Kellum, Jacki Moseley, Ken Pincus
Larry Roberts, Tumar Art Group, Lisa Wederquist, Carl Yurdin

Artists' Reception:

First Friday October 6, 6-8 pm



In Concert on the Plaza:

Ranger and the Re-Arrangers
Bainbridge Island's Own Gypsy Jazz Band

IMAGES SHOWN:

Universe. Renee Jameson. Monotype (Bainbridge Island)
No. 68 Cedar Sliding Door. Sean Carleton
Multiple Choice. Jacki Moseley (Bainbridge Island)
Lightly, Illuminated Sculpture. L. Wendy Dunder
Red Square. Lisa Wederquist. Ceramic
Shooting Stars Dinnerware. Sarah Kaye. Ceramic

About the Musicians:

Ranger and the Re-Arrangers (Bainbridge Island, Washington)



THE GENRE: The band plays "Gypsy jazz" or "hot jazz", created by and named in honor of Django Reinhardt, Europe's acclaimed composer and guitarist. In the 1930s, Django and violinist Stephane Grappelli blended their own musical legacies with the new American art form of jazz. Soon their recordings brought international fame to the genre. Gypsy jazz is characterized by upbeat, high energy swing on acoustic instruments, especially guitar, violin, bass, clarinet, and accordion. The band's repertoire appeals to everyone who enjoys swing standards, traditional Gypsy jazz songs, and world music originals.

At the heart of the band's sound is the sweet violin playing of **RANGER SCIACCA**, who began playing violin at the age of six. He divided his studies between old-time fiddle and classical violin until a chance encounter with a CD of violin jazz ignited Ranger's interest in the music of Joe Venuti, Stuff Smith, Stephane Grappelli and Django Reinhardt. Ranger's playing draws from all the genres he has studied and, according to one reviewer, "features frantic staccato runs and an overall sense of tone that reveals many shades and moods." **MIKE SCIACCA** is Ranger's father, and has been backing up Ranger on guitar for over 15 years. Ranger and Mike are descended from Sicilian immigrants, who played jazz in New York at the start of the 20th century.

Please contact the Gallery for further information on the band.



About The Island Gallery

Established in 2002, **The Island Gallery** features internationally recognized artists whose work takes traditional art forms in exciting new directions: studio furniture and sculpture; museum quality textile art and wearables; wood fired ceramics from the finest potters in America; paintings and prints; and unique jewelry creations. Monthly exhibitions include live musical concerts, featuring such genres as jazz, rock, folk, chamber music and performance art. This, along with its reputation for excellence, makes The Island Gallery a destination spot on beautiful Bainbridge Island, a short ferry ride from Seattle, and steps from the new Bainbridge Island Museum of Art.

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Event Location:

The Island Gallery, 400 Winslow Way E, #120, Bainbridge Island, Washington.

Underground parking is available at The Winslow off Ericksen Avenue.