PRESS RELEASE

The Island Gallery
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EVENT:

15!
December 1 – 31, 2017
All-Gallery Show Celebrating 15 years of Collaboration with unique and talented artists from near and far

Opening Reception:
First Friday, December 1, 6-8 pm

In Concert:
Ranger and the Re-Arrangers
Bainbridge Island’s Own Gypsy Jazz Band

IMAGE SHOWN ABOVE:
Begona Rentero, Special Edition Necklace, “Bainbridge Island” to celebrate The Island Gallery’s 15 years of artistic collaboration
About the Show:

Celebrating 15 years of collaboration with artists from near and far, exhibiting studio furniture and sculpture, fiber art and wearables, paintings and prints, jewelry and ceramics. The Gallery marks the anniversary with an All-Gallery artist show featuring new work from 17 artists it represents:

Gerardo Aguayo (Paintings and Prints), Alexis Abrams (Wearable Art), Chapin-Cao (Jewelry), Karen Chaussabel (Paintings & Prints), L. Wendy Dunder (Illuminated Sculpture), Delores Fortuna (Ceramics), Pam Galvani (Paintings & Prints), Robin Hominiuk (Wood Fired Ceramics), Maggy Pavlou (Wearable Art), Begona Rentero (Jewelry), Carol Lee Shanks (Wearable Art), John Spivey (Furniture), Chris Thompson (Wood Sculpture). The Gallery is introducing four new artists: Jan Badgley (Wearable Art), David Berger (Paintings & Prints), Eric Heffelfinger (Jewelry), and Larry Roberts (Wood Sculpture).

About the Musicians:

Ranger and the Re-Arrangers (Bainbridge Island)

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.

The Island Gallery at Sotheby’s

Jen Till. Untitled. Oil on canvas

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240 Winslow Way E, Bainbridge Island, WA

Continuing through December 31st

Selected work from Gallery Artists

Jen Till & Jacki Moseley
Bainbridge Island, Washington

Jacki Moseley. Felted Rocks.
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. This year we celebrate 15 years of collaboration with unique and talented artists from near and far.

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OPEN DAILY November 24th through Christmas Eve

Event Location:

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

Underground parking is available at The Winslow off Ericksen Avenue.