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This World, Other World: New Exhibition Opening at Firehouse Gallery

Burlington, VT: (February 4, 2010) Burlington City Arts is pleased to announce its newest exhibition at the Firehouse Gallery on Church Street, *This World, Other World*, opening Friday, February 19th, from 5-8 pm with an artist talk and reception, running through March 27, 2010. The exhibition is comprised of paintings and sculptures of imagined landscape and invented structure from eight alumni of the Vermont Studio Center in Johnson, Vermont, the largest international artists' and writers' Residency Program in the United States. Artists Cora Cohen, Carrie Dickason, Sarah Fitzsimons, Janelle Iglesias, Reid Hitt, Erin Kaczkowski, Magnolia Laurie, and Siobhan McBride will present viewers with a compelling world of their own construct.

This World, Other World encompasses pieces that range from intimate paintings to large-scale sculptural installations as a way to describe a physical, yet intimate space. VSC's alumni will invite Firehouse Gallery visitors through a mix of mediums and culture for a diverse and vibrant experience in which to view their world. Artist Magnolia Laurie's paintings and installations represent delicate systems that depict the need to build and

create, despite facing the often ineffectiveness in doing so. Sarah Fitzsimons, originally from Cleveland, Ohio, combines outdoor sculpture, photography, and video to create pieces that explore collisions of the physical and metaphoric. Erin Kaczkowski's most recent work engages viewers with the real and perceived relationship between experience and the digital photograph. For Erin, photographs are the starting point for her work, living between visual perception and the memory of an object or place.

The exhibition is guest curated by David Grozinsky, Admissions Coordinator at Vermont Studio Center. *This World, Other World* will invite its viewers to a place, where "magic reveals itself differently than it does in this world," as Siobhan McBride says to describe her own paintings.

This World, Other World is sponsored by Northfield Savings Bank and The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, and is an important part of Burlington City Arts, which is dedicated to the promotion of excellence, experimentation, and education in all forms of contemporary art. For more information about gallery exhibitions, special events, classes and workshops, please call 802.865.7166 or visit BURLINGTONCITYARTS.COM.

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