



"The Deep" by Les Braze



A portrait by Madeline Glaspey

## Must-See Exhibits

GALLERY OWNERS DISCUSS UPCOMING EXHIBITS AND ARTISTS TO WATCH

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With an art scene as prominent and ever-changing as Milwaukee's, you don't want to miss these essential exhibitions. From classic to contemporary and everything in between, here is a list of Milwaukee's must-see art exhibits for the coming months. Plus, we spoke with local gallery owners about their favorite emerging artists.

### 'AIRY VENTURE'

#### Katie Gingrass Gallery

With works ranging from sculpture to painting, "Airy Venture" exhibits the fantastical wonders of nature. The show features the innovative works of artists like Les Braze, George Sanquist, Pat Hidson, Mark Russell, Carol Rowan, Shawn Messenger, Suzanne Crane and Emily Wilson.

July 1 - Aug. 12

207 E. Buffalo St.

gingrassgallery.com

### Gingrass' Ones to Watch:

Les Braze

Braze is a Milwaukee-based glass artist whose work plays with the concept of fusing three-dimensional components onto a two-dimensional surface. It all started when he dropped a full-length mirror. The shattered pattern of the broken mirror enticed Braze, and his art was born. "Braze's series of charming broken glass works attract the viewer with their fun and colorful compositions," says Gingrass.

George Sanquist

Sanquist spent 25 years in the Milwaukee Police Department before taking up photography full time. A self-taught photographer, Sanquist is best known for his architectural and nature images. "Sanquist's photographs will seduce the viewer with his refined color palette and sensitivity to light and shadow," says Gingrass.

### 'THE SALON SHOW'

#### Tory Folliard Gallery

The annual event features new works from many of the Midwest's top artists, including painting, sculpture, photography and video art. Also includes works by several younger emerging artists like painters Ben Grant, Jennifer Price and Breehan James.

July 11 - Sept. 5

233 N. Milwaukee St.

toryfolliard.com

### TIMOTHY COBB FINE ARTS

#### Gallery Grand Reopening

In the space once occupied by the Elaine Erickson Gallery, Cobb opens his new gallery with a show featuring large format paintings and sculptures. Highlights include color field paintings by George Vihos and suspended sculpture by Bilhenry Walker.

July 24 - Sept. 4

207 E. Buffalo St.

timothycobbfinearts.com

### Cobb's Ones to Watch:

Oliver Benson

Born in Rhode Island, Benson is a self-taught artist who specializes in geometric and mythological paintings and drawings. "Benson is a unique and stunning talent. He is a painter's painter that is, one whose talent speaks directly to the creative body, mind and soul," says Cobb.

Madeline Glaspey

Milwaukee native Glaspey's works range from landscape, portrait and still life to mixed media and printmaking. "Her combination of strong traditional technique, contemporary subjects and overwhelming presence ensures her continuing success," says Cobb.