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SUSAN MAGNUS: I M A G E A F T E R

September 21 - October 20, 2024

Opening Reception: Saturday, September 21, 5 - 7pm



Susan Magnus: *Sentinel*, 2024; UV print on linen; 60 x 120 inches. Image courtesy of the artist.

AUGUST 21, 2024, GARRISON, NY—Garrison Art Center (GAC) is pleased to present **I M A G E A F T E R**, an exhibition of recent work by Visiting Artist, Susan Magnus. This is the artist's first solo exhibition at Garrison Art Center and includes photo-based projects, sculpture and drawing. The exhibition will run from September 21—October 20, 2024. A public reception with the artist will take place on Saturday, September 21, 5 - 7pm.

After the death of her mother in 2023, Magnus inherited a trove of family photographs and objects. Beyond sentimental, the vulnerability of the pre-digital snapshots seemed emblematic of the fleeting nature of memory and the inevitability of loss we all experience over the course of our lives. Moreover, the heirlooms and objects from the landscape of her mother's life became not just repositories of memories for the artist, but reminders of the ephemerality of the animate and the inanimate. The work presented in **I M A G E A F T E R** draws inspiration from many of these materials.

Work by Susan Magnus is represented in museum and corporate collections, including the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art; the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco; the University of California Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive; the Oakland Museum of California; the Mills College Art Museum; the Microsoft Corporation; the Oracle Corporation; and the Bank of America Corporation. She is the recipient of a Regional Fellowship from the Western States Arts Federation and the National Endowment for the Arts; a Jack and Gertrude Murphy Fine Art Fellowship from the San Francisco Foundation; and a Visual Arts Purchase Award from the Gerbode Foundation. A former longtime resident of the San Francisco Bay Area, she now lives in Beacon, NY.

EVENTS AND PROGRAMS: All exhibition related events and programs are free and open to the public.

Opening Reception: Saturday, September 21, 5 - 7pm

Artist Talk: Saturday, Saturday, October 5, 2024, 3 - 4 pm

Family Workshop: Saturday, October 19, 1 - 2:30pm, designed for parents with children ages 8 to 12

Adult Workshop: Saturday, October 19, 3:30 - 5pm

Led by Visiting Artist Susan Magnus, workshop participants will explore a special memory or personal narrative using collage or assemblage. Art materials will be provided and participants are encouraged to bring meaningful items from home that can be included in their project such as: photos of family, friends or pets; locks of hair; pictures of special places or maps; souvenirs or even found objects such as sticks or stones.

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: To learn more about Susan Magnus, visit susanmagnus.com. For information about exhibitions, classes, and other programs at Garrison Art Center, please visit garrisonartcenter.org or call 845.424.3960. Join the conversation via Instagram @GarrisonArtCenter.

ABOUT GARRISON ART CENTER: Garrison Art Center (GAC), located in Garrison, NY, is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit arts and education organization founded in 1964. GAC is committed to making a difference by providing access to the visual arts to a diverse audience of learners, professional artists, community members, collectors, families, and friends from varied ethnic, cultural, geographic and economic backgrounds.



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