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### **GAREL FINE ART PRESENTS “*EMBRACE*” – A GROUP EXHIBIT TO WELCOME FIRE VICTIMS AND THE COMMUNITY INTO HEALING THROUGH ART**

**Manhattan Beach, CA** – Garel Fine Art is proud to present *Embrace*, a group exhibition dedicated to welcoming and uniting the South Bay community, especially those displaced by the recent fires in Los Angeles. The exhibit will open with a special reception on **Saturday, February 22, 2025**, from **3:00 – 7:00 pm** at Garel Fine Art, located at **1069 N. Aviation Boulevard, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266**.

As many fire victims have moved to the South Bay seeking a fresh start, *Embrace* serves as both a heartfelt invitation and a space of healing, where art can help bridge the gap for those facing loss and recovery. The exhibit features a diverse array of works from emerging, mid-career, and established artists, alongside blue-chip pieces, to create an experience that honors both the resilience and strength of the human spirit.

“Art has the incredible power to heal and foster connection,” says gallery owner, Joanna Garel. “In the wake of the fires, many families have found themselves starting over in the South Bay. *Embrace* is our way of not only welcoming them but offering a sense of belonging through the transformative power of art. We hope this exhibition provides a space for all of us to come together as a community, to connect, to heal, and to rebuild stronger than ever.”

The *Embrace* exhibit will offer an opportunity for the local community to come together, meet others, and experience art that speaks to the themes of resilience, renewal, and solidarity. Through shared visual language, attendees can engage with the works of local artists who are also finding their voices in the aftermath of crisis.

The opening reception will feature light refreshments, live music, and a chance to meet the talented artists whose works are part of the exhibition. This event is free and open to all members of the community, offering a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere for new and longtime residents alike.

## Event Details:

- **Exhibit Title:** *Embrace*
- **Opening Reception:** Saturday, February 22, 2025 | 3-7 pm
- **Location:** Garel Fine Art, 1069 N. Aviation Boulevard, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
- **Admission:** Free and open to the public
- **Proceeds:** A portion of the exhibition's proceeds will be donated to fire recovery efforts to support the rebuilding of homes and lives affected by the fires.

## Participating Artists:

POLLY CHU  
CARRIE CRAMER  
CARRIE DIETZ BROWN  
ILSE ELIZABETH DUIJN  
DIANA FLYNN  
JOANNA GAREL  
DIANA GRACIDA  
PAULA LANGSTEIN  
ELIZABETH LEE  
MARYROSE C. MENDOZA  
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## About Garel Fine Art

Located in Manhattan Beach, Garel Fine Art is a contemporary art gallery dedicated to showcasing a diverse range of works from emerging, mid-career, and established as well as blue chip artists. The gallery's mission is to offer a dynamic space where art fosters conversation, understanding, and community. Through thoughtfully curated exhibitions and engaging public programs, Garel Fine Art serves as a beacon for art lovers and residents in the South Bay area.

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