

A Look Inside & Out

Exhibition Opening
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Sarvisberry Gallery
Floyd, VA



Escape From the Kitchen

In Gibby Waitzkin's new body of work, "A Look Inside and Out," the images of captured moments are displayed through the dimpled panes and scarred frames of old windows, reclaimed doors and ironwork. The compositions

incorporate 4x5 sepia-toned photographs taken by Gibby in 1974 as part of her graduate work in photography and printmaking.

The windows were collected from old homes and warehouses, nests gathered from gardens and back yards, and botanicals from Floyd County. These elements reflect Gibby's training and life experiences – the growing and harvesting of the fibers and the flowers; the shredding, cooking, beating, and pouring of the pulp; the photography and digital printing; the composition – the poetic expression of a life or a moment sealed in encaustic beeswax. It is an intimate portrayal of Gibby Waitzkin's life as it has evolved echoing cherished memories of people,

places, and objects throughout her life.

"A Look Inside and Out" explores the changing nature of home and environment – in one moment we are in the safety of a parent's embrace, the next moment we are looking within, finding the home that we take with us wherever we go. The presence of the nest echoes the multi-faceted symbolism of the empty nest, and indicates the sense of both joy and loss that is associated with the creation and eventual abandonment of home. The nest also provides us with a "bird's eye view" of those times when we think that no is watching, mirroring a moment of quiet reflection amidst the fluidity of a continuously transitioning life.



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