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Main Gallery at Touchstone Gallery

April 1 – May 3, 2009

“VARIOUS REALITIES” Dina Volkova

Opening Reception:
April 3, 6 - 8:30 pm



Dina Volkova's exhibition "Various Realities" presents works created through out the last two years. You will find different genres as well as techniques. Mostly, they are stories about people and events that happened to them. Dina tried to portray not just people, but also things that surround them: interiors of their houses, scenery that they see day in and day out, their pets, and other various important details.

What keeps our memories strong about people we knew and places we visited? Sometimes little things we pick up during our life represents us our past, and keeping them helps us remember. The interiors we create to live in represent our own reality and our own world. Our personal choices for our living spaces reflect our souls and show who we really are. Little things that might mean nothing to other people mean everything to us. Dina's paintings give us an inside look into interiors and characters of her close friends and family. Dina Volkova was born and raised in a family of book illustrators in downtown of Moscow, Russia and some of her family still lives there. When you look at the paintings she created, you feel as if you are on a private tour of people's homes and of what is most important to that specific person.

A "Dance Performance" series of monotypes also will be included in the show. They depict different parts of the same performance and the viewers' reactions to it. Several abstract paintings from the "Paint and Pencil" series are also included. Here too you can see reality, but not the reality of everyday life, rather an artistic one.

Dina Volkova attended art school as a teenager and continued her art education at Moscow State Teachers University, where she received her Master's Degree in Art Education. She was employed by a number of Russian publishing houses where she worked on various projects that included book covers, drawings, holiday cards and postcards. A member of the Moscow Union of the Artists, she participated in a number of national art exhibitions. Since 2000, Dina has lived with her family in the Washington, D.C. area, and has focused most of her artistic energy on painting. Volkova, for a while, concentrated on watercolors. She also was a member of the Baltimore Watercolor Association, and participated in a number of exhibitions organized by them as well.

Composed by Dina Volkova

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