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Margaret Tsirantonakis Spring Into Summer II, 2018 oil on linen, 52 x 32 inches

## MARGARET TSIRANTONAKIS

Garden Muses
Recent Paintings

February 26 – March 23, 2019 Reception: Saturday, March 2, 3 – 6 pm

Prince Street Gallery is pleased to announce *Garden Muses*—a solo exhibition of recent paintings by **Margaret Tsirantonakis**. The show will be on view from February 26 through March 23 with a reception on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 3- 6 pm.

Garden Muses will be Tsirantonakis' third solo exhibition at Prince Street Gallery in New York City, and will include large and small oil paintings and watercolors. In these works the artist explores her emotional response to the garden in her front yard— a place where until recently a century-old Copper Beech tree once stood. In these lyrical paintings Tsirantonakis interweaves layers of color, gestural brushstrokes and calligraphic lines. The Coleus leaf motif appears throughout, creating rhythmic, and pulsating movement. Additional muses such as the Minoan Snake Goddess, the Malia Bees, and the olive tree, are drawn from the artist's Cretan roots.

Tsirantonakis is best known for her use of color and frequent juxtaposition of warm/cool color relationships. She often begins with painting watercolor/gouaches directly from her subject at home or during her travels. These spontaneous works become points of reference for her oil paintings. A selection of these will be shown, including travel watercolors done in Crete, and France.

**Margaret Tsirantonakis** was born in Crete, Greece and grew up in Queens, NY. She lives and works in Stamford, CT. Her work has been exhibited in New York City, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Taos, NM and Greece. Tsirantonakis' work is in private collections in the United States, Europe and Japan.

Prince Street Gallery is located at 530 West 25<sup>th</sup> Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY, 10001. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11AM to 6PM. <a href="https://www.princestreetgallery.com">www.princestreetgallery.com</a>; Tel: 646-230-0246

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