



PSG Prince Street Gallery

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Stefan Draughon and Lesley Kushner

Recent Work

July 12 - July 30, 2016

Opening Reception: July 14, 5-8 pm

Prince Street Gallery will present a dual exhibition of works by Stefan Draughon and Lesley Kushner from July 12 through July 30.

Stefan Draughon, artist and writer, will show recent paintings and drawings in water-based media plus selected poems. She paints people, no matter how abstract the work becomes. Particularly the human face.

She has an MFA in Painting from Parsons School of Design. Solo shows in New York City and in Lexington, MA were supplemented by group shows at Lincoln Center and the Rhode Island School of Design, where she was on the faculty.

Stefan Draughon illustrated as well as translated Magda Szabo's Hungarian novel, *The Door*. In her second book, *A Passion for Watercolor*, Stefan Draughon writes of her experience as a painter. The words are richly supported by images of her work.

Lesley Kushner will exhibit sculptures, paintings, and collages. The sculptures, made from beeswax and mixed media, are portrait busts of real and imagined people. Her paintings are based on a lifelong affinity for birds and nature. The collages draw from both the sculptures and paintings, combining photographs of her own work with decorative papers, pastels, and oils.

She writes, "These works have been created in dialogue with each other... and at times when I have reached an impasse in one medium, another medium opens the door again. Over many years, all the media have increasingly merged: painted heads on canvas or wood panel have morphed into sculptural heads, which, with the addition of paint on their surfaces, have then become 3-D paintings, which subsequently are remade into photographic collaged images."

Lesley Kushner has an MFA in Painting from Parsons School of Design. She has exhibited with Prince Street Gallery and Ceres Gallery in New York City. Ms. Kushner has a studio in Gowanus, Brooklyn and works at the Lexington School for the Deaf.

Gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 11:00-6:00

Stefan Draughon's website: stefandraughon.com

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