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Opposite Sides of the World - Connecticut to Singapore Janette Maxey

Hartford, Connecticut, (August 11, 2015) – Hartford Public Library announces the August 28th opening of artist Janette Maxey’s newest exhibit, ***Opposite Sides of the World – Connecticut to Singapore***, on the ArtWalk at Hartford Public Library, 500 Main Street, Hartford.

Maxey is an American painter, born in California and now living and working in Connecticut. She recently returned from Singapore where she lived for four years.

Maxey explains the inspiration for the works in this upcoming show. “Things one notices when entering a new culture – people, food, everyday items in a store, street signs, the textures and colors of a place. No filters and all overwhelming. A short time passes, curiosity takes hold, one goes deeper into that place and forms answers to questions starting with the reference points in their own past.”

She has exhibited in New England, Italy, and Singapore. Her works are included in private and public collections in North America, Europe, and Asia. She holds an AS in Fine Arts from Tunxis Community College and a BFA (magna cum laude) in Painting from The Hartford Art School. While completing her BFA, she studied abroad in Cortona, Italy. Maxey has also studied at the Art Students League of New York, New York Studio School and The School of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, Massachusetts.

“Janette Maxey joins an extraordinary list of local artists who have exhibited on the ArtWalk,” said Matt Poland, the Library’s CEO. “These artists have made the ArtWalk at Hartford Public Library a place for inspiration, dreams and endless possibilities accessible to everyone.”

Maxey’s work will be on display through October 9, 2015, during regular Library hours. The Library invites the public to celebrate the opening of this exhibit at a reception with the artist on Friday, August 28, 2015 from 6:00 p.m-8:00 p.m. Both the reception and exhibit are ***free and open to all.***

ABOUT THE ARTWALK

The ArtWalk at Hartford Public Library offers one of the largest and most stunning exhibition spaces in greater Hartford and the opportunity for visitors to view art in a magnificent setting in their own community. The state-of-the-art gallery rises above Main Street along a glass wall that floods the space with ambient light during the day and appears to glow as a jewel box at night. Exhibitions offer an array of art experiences that reflect a variety of media, styles, and cultures in the art world, providing diverse viewing experiences, and allowing for many tastes. Because of the unusual cable system in place, one of the most unique aspects of the ArtWalk is that any wall and lighting configuration or arrangement can change with the nature of every new exhibition. The ArtWalk is made possible through the generosity of donors, especially the Beatrice Fox Auerbach Foundation Fund at Hartford Foundation for Public Giving.

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As a finalist for the 2014 National Medal from the Institute for Museum and Library Services, Hartford Public Library has been recognized as national leader in redefining the urban public library in the 21st century as an innovative and stimulating place where people can learn and discover, explore their passions, and find a rich array of resources that contribute to a full life. Hartford Public Library provides free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. Serving the residents of Hartford and beyond at its nine branches and Downtown location, Hartford Public Library receives more than 860,000 visits per year from adults, children and families seeking early literacy opportunities, work skills training, civic engagement, arts enrichment, and so much more. Please visit www.hplct.org.