VAYO COLLAGE GALLERY



















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NEW DIMENSIONS

International Art Exhibition

On view through Mon, July 31, 2023



Opening Reception

Sat, July 15, 2023 2:00-6:00 pm



A message from Celia Crane

CURATOR, VAYO COLLAGE GALLERY

Studies by neurologists reveal that when a person looks at a piece of art they consider beautiful, the neurotransmitter dopamine (also known as the "feel-good" hormone) instantaneously releases in the brain. Creating art can have a similar effect.

Vayo Collage Gallery issued its inaugural Call to Artists in early 2020, shortly after Covid-19 quarantine protocols had sent us all into seclusion. A primary goal at the time was to offer fresh connections to artists and art appreciators who were suddenly

unable to access the conventional gallery spaces we all relied on for our dopamine fixes. The international response to that first call was both a surprise and a delight, as was the goodwill, inspiration, and collaboration that I observed being generated by the resulting exhibition. Since then, the gallery has continued to host annual initiatives aimed at amplifying collage.

"Extraordinary things become possible when we assemble in unconventional ways..."

While preparing this year's exhibition, waves of fresh energy surged through me as I was once again reminded that extraordinary things become possible when we assemble in unconventional ways. Just as the medium of collage brings existing forms together to create something new, in seeking meaningful community we too become so much greater than the sum of our parts. It has been a privilege to witness a remarkable group of contemporary artists come together in celebration of the artform that moves us. I encourage you to take your time to explore the original contributions that make up this show in hopes that you may draw meaning and inspiration—as I have—from each artist's creative expression and dimensional ingenuity.

New Dimensions in Collage explores unexpected forms, irregular edges, and dimensionality, challenging the viewer to look at art in new ways.

About the theme: Due to the versatility, portability, and ready access of its materials, canvas replaced wooden panels as the most common support medium for oil painting during the 16th century Italian Renaissance. Since then, the painting medium has been most commonly reserved for a rectangular profile, largely because it is the easiest shape to stretch over a wooden frame.

Two centuries after the close of the Renaissance, inventors working in the field of photography developed rectangular sensors to crop the outer edges of circular images captured by the lens of a camera. Equated with the common ground on which artists express themselves, over time our definition of the word *canvas* has expanded to encompass the background, setting, or scope of a historical or fictional account or narrative.

Though artworks that do not involve stretched canvas or photo developing need NOT be limited by the restriction of a four-sided shape, the prestige of so many decades of artistic presentations in rectangular (and square) configurations endures, still frequently bleeding over into collage, fiber, digital, and a variety of other mixed media art presentations. The advent of social media has further reinforced this proclivity, with artists' creations markedly influenced by the fixed landscape of electronic viewing planes.

Artists responding to this year's call were challenged to think outside the frame, exploring alternative materials and methods to arrive at innovative collages that break free of the shape of our past.

Why collage? Among the many remarkable things about collage are its versatility, high degree of accessibility, and low barrier to entry. In professional art circles, we find established collagists constantly testing the limits of personal expression through the medium—challenging convention, developing new tools and methods, and expanding upon the arsenal of known source materials. Of equal significance, the collage community is generous, kind and welcoming. Armed with little more than rudimentary tools and a basic introduction to the form, newcomers to creative work can experience the unrivaled satisfaction of art making. This is unique in an art world that often trades on hierarchy and status.

We encourage you to engage with your favorite artists and be sure to follow their work. Website addresses and Instagram profile names are listed for each show participant on the following pages. If you have one or more favorite collages in this show, the maker/s would surely appreciate hearing it.

Other ways to get involved:

- → Sign up for our newsletter at vayocollagegallery.com
- → Follow @vayocollagegallery on Instagram
- → Watch for the printed New Dimensions deck, coming soon
- → Submit your own original artwork for our next show

BEST OF SHOW 2023

Clive Knights

Portland, Oregon

Garden City - Spoiled

Paper collage and graphite on Indian handmade paper; in repurposed box with paper, graphite and card

Garden City is an accordion-style collage book containing an impressive 12 ½ foot sequence of Clive Knights' distinctive analog collages. On the reverse side is Spoiled —a 27-line poem* the artist extracted from a vintage Smithsonian annual research publication. Folded, the entire work tucks tidily into a small altered box. See below for text.



Spoiled by Clive Knights

Of all astronomical bodies the sun is by far the greatest carried upward on the face



carried upward on the face we attempt, now, to translate behind the region of the head the serenity of illimitable breadth even though incomplete cages will be constructed near by hard and difficult rock passing through this story of human adventure on migrations and alterations between the two points of high tide fractured and torn apart the wilderness of this region quickly distributed by waves may contain accidental errors striking alternation of light failure of the trees to show buffeted by a tempest all turned upward along the line associated with the mouth from time to time perturbed by chance two parties to the conversation cover one another remain motionless a few seconds concealed but strikingly manifested there is no area which is entirely free



Kameron Ackerman, USA Safety Dance, 2019–2023 5½ x 5 x ½ in. (14 x 12.7 x 1.3 cm) IG: @krypticpopthrills



Paula Bertholet, Belgium *Our Dreams are the Seeds*, 2023 3¹/₂ x 4³/₈ x 1³/₄ in. (9 x 11 x 4.5 cm) Paulabertholet.be IG: @paulabertholet



Tina Alberni, USA

Human-Nature Dynamics in Collage:
Exploring Fragile Balance, 2023
8 x 10 x 2 in. (20.3 x 25.4 x 5 cm)
colordesignstudio.com
IG: tinas art beat



Angela Black, USA

But Nothing Is Sticking, 2023

~3 x 3 x 6 in. (7.6 x 7.6 x 15.2 cm)

IG: @thedementedwoman



Marissa Albrecht, USA Out for Delivery, 2023 3½ x 3½ x 3½ in. (8.9 x 8.9 x 8.9 cm) marissaalbrecht.com IG: @marissaalbrecht07



Erica Bryant (USA) and Rodrigo da Silva (USA, Mexico) What is it time? 2023 10 x 6 x 4 in. (25.4 x 15.2 x 10.2 cm) ericadreams.com; drodrigodasilva.com IG: @Erica Likes Alligators; @drodrigodasilva



Tom Amoretti, UK (Spain)
Affordances and Constrains, 2023
7³/4 in. x 6 in. (20 x 15.5 cm)
tomamoretti.com
IG: @tomamoretti



Middle Carr, USA Receive, 2023 9 x 9 in. (22.9 x 22.9 cm) IG: @middlecarrt



Katrina Avino Barracato, USA *Mouth Watering*, 2023 8 x 11 in. (20.3 x 28 cm)



Jane Chipp, UK Shoreline, 2023 3½ x 2¾ in. (9 x 6 cm) janechipp.art IG: @janechipp



Celia Regina Furlan Benatti, Brazil *Floating Words*, 2023 9 x 7³/₄ in. (23 x 20 x 2 cm) IG: @celiregi.arte



Cheryl Chudyk, USA

The Fortune Teller for Your Creative Block, 2021
3½ x 3½ x 3 in. (8.9 x 8.9 x 7.6 cm)
IG: @stitchpixie



Valentina Cozzi, Italy Hanging, 2023 6 x 8 in. (15 x 20 cm) IG: @A.MLCL



Torea Frey, USA Unpaired, 2023 ~6 x 6 x 6 in. (15.2 x 15.2 x 15.2 cm) toreafrey.com IG: @toreajade



Celia Crane, USA
Zephyr's Abecedarian Art Journal; an
Interpretive Dictionary of Words, 2023
5½ x 6¼ x 6¼ in. (14 x 16 x 16 cm)
celiacrane.com
IG: @celia crane



Flora Georgiou, Australia

Dilectus Box, 2023

8½ x 4½ x 1 in. (21.6 x 11.4 x 2.3 cm)

IG: @deconstruct_collagista



Jane Durden, USA
The Lover's Star, 2023
7 x 7 x 2¹/₂ in. (17.8 x 17.8 x 6.4 cm)
janedurdenarcanearts.com
IG: @janedurdenart



Mary Gubbels, USA
Behind the Veil, 2023
10 x 8 x 3 in. (25.4 x 20.3 x 7.6 cm)
etsy.com/shop/GoldenOwlArts
IG:@marygubbels



Nereida Dusten, Mexico Entropic phase part 1, 2023 8 x 6 in. (20 x 16 cm) IG: nereidadusten



Ellen Haines, USA Child's Play, 2023 10 x 7 in. (25.4 x 17.8 cm) IG: @ehccollages



Aidan Sofia Earle, USA Gas Mound, 2022 6 x 8 in. (15.2 x 20.3 cm) IG: @aidansofiaearle



Laura Iseley, USA

Still Life Studies 1 & 2, 2023

4¹/₂ x 5 in. (11.4 x 12.7 cm)

linktr.ee/iseleylaura

IG: @collagebylaura



Daphna Epstein, USA

Briar Rose (Sleeping Beauty), 2023
8 x 5 in. (20.3 x 12.7 cm)
IG: @marigold_t_rain



Souibgui Kaouteur, France Déstructuration 11/ Tourbillon Noir et Blanc, 2022 7 x 10 in. (17.9 x 25.4 cm) kaouteursouibgui.com IG: @kaouteur.s



Anne Keefe, USA *Cake*, 2021 6 x 12 x 1¹/₂ in. (15.2 x 30.5 x 3.9 cm) IG: @wildmooncraft



La Parlange Collages, France Savannah, 2020 3 ½ in. (9 cm) diameter laparlangecollages.bigcartel.com IG: @la parlange collages



Susan Kelley, USA Make Me A Home, 2023 10 x 5 in. (25.4 x 12.7 cm) IG: @susankelleycollective



Deborah di Leo, Italy *MOBY DICK*, 2023 7¹/₂ x 7¹/₂ in. (19 x 19 cm) IG: @deborahselimkitty



Aryana B. Londir, USA *Ease*, 2023 6¹/₂ x 3¹/₂ x 1 in. (2.6 x 1.4 x 0.4 cm) aryanalondir.com IG: @aryanalondir



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Clive Knights, USA

Garden City – Spoiled, 2023 Box: 7 x 5¹/₄ x 1¹/₄ in. (17.8 x 13.3 x 3.2 cm) Accordion-folded: 4 x 5 ¹/₂ x ³/₄ in. (10.2 x 14 x 1.9 cm)

Unfolded: 4 x 149 ½ in. (10.2 x 380 cm) cliveknights.com; IG:@knightsclive



Yolanda Guixá López, Spain *Dynamic house*, 2023 7³/₄ x 7 x 3¹/₂ in. (20 x 18 x 9 cm) IG: @fillide67



Sherri Koehler, USA Song of an Autumn Sky, 2022 8 x 8½ x 1½ in. (20.3 x 22 x 3.8 cm) tinyurl.com/bdhsnv7w IG: @SamadhiLabs



Emily Marbach, England
The Waiting Room
5 x 2 x 2 in. (12.7 x 5.1 x 5.1 cm) each
IG: @collagenottinghill



Carole Kunstadt, USA
Sacred Poem CVII, 2018
2½ x 2½ x 2 in. (6.4 x 6.4 x 5.1 cm)
carolekunstadt.com
IG: @ckunstadt



Ottavia Marchiori, Italy
Out of the Box 2.0, 2021
7¹/₂ x 6 x 2¹/₄ in. (10 x 15 x 6 cm)
IG: @ocomeottavia



Marla Thornington Martin, USA By the Sea: a love letter in shells, 2021 triptych; $5^{1/2}$ x 6 in. (14 x 15.2 cm) each IG: @beansontoastcreative



Bea Montero, Spain

Demasiadas Cosas (Too Many Things), 2023

7 ³/₄ x 6 in. (20 x 15 cm)

beamontero.page

IG: beamontero.page



Reaghan McCann, USA

I am Dying While Ripe
on the Vine, 2023
10 x 2 x 3 in. (25.4 x 5.1 x 7.6 cm)
IG: @reg_droid



Karin K Mueller, USA

Full Circle, 2022

10 x 8 x 3 in. (25.4 x 20.3 x 7.6 cm)

rejectart.com

IG: @karinkmueller



Molly F. McCracken, USA Nighttime Panic, 2020 9 x 5 x 8 in. (22.9 x 12.7 x 20.3 cm) artistmolly.com IG: @mollyfmccracken



Necessity of Nonsense, Belgium *Untitled*1 x 2 in. (2.5 x 5 cm)
necessityofnonsense.bigcartel.com
IG: @necessityofnonsense



Marcia M L Mello, USA *Friendship*, 2023 7³/₄ x 7³/₄ x 4³/₄ in. (19.7 x 19.7 x 12 cm) IG: @marcia mello



Nova, USA Untitled, 2023 8 x 10 in. (20.3 x 25.4 cm) IG: @graff fragments



MELMCK, USA Heaven Knows I'm Miserable Now, 2022 11½ x 7¾ in. (29 cm x 20 cm) IG: @melmckcollage



Irina Novikova (Tall), Belarus *Girl*, 2023 8¹/₄ x 11³/₄ in. (21 x 30 cm) IG: @irinanov4155



Nastase Mihaela, Romania The Show Must Go On, 2023 Color print of 20 x 28 in. collage 8 x 10 in. (20.3 x 25.4 cm) IG: @mihaela nastase



Teresa Ogando, Portugal *Throwing Words Away*, 2023 9 ¾ x 7 ¾ x ½ in. (24.9 x 19.8 x 1.5 cm) IG: @teresaogando17



Pawel Pacholec, Poland Faces I, 2021 Color print of 15.75 x 15.75 in. digital collage; 5 x 5 in. (12.7 x 12.7 cm) IG: @paul.piotrowicz



Allie Push, USA Breathe, 2023 5½ x 8 in. (14 x 20.3 cm) alliepusharts.etsy.com IG: @alliepush_arts



Julia Payne, USA Archeology, 2023 3 x 3 x 1 in. (7.6 x 7.6 x 2.5 cm) IG: @juliapayne9



Allison Ramirez, USA Runaway Cow, 2023 7 x 7 in. (17.8 x 17.8 cm) IG: @allisonmarleneart



JJ Pelechaty, USA
Semi-precious, 2023
4 x 5 x 4 in. (10 x 12.7 x 10 cm)
mixedmessagesclub.com
IG: @mixedmessagesclub



jack ravi, Scotland Only in Memory, 2023 5³/s x 2³/s x 1 in. (13.5 x 6 x 3 cm) jackravi.com IG: @jackravi



Gemma Pepper, Switzerland *Violet*, 2023 1³/₈ x 2 x 1 in. (3.5 x 5 x 3 cm) gemmapepper@gmx.com IG: @gempepper



Patti Robinson
Balancing Act, 2022
9 x 12 in. (22.9 x 30.5 cm)
pattirobinsonart.com
IG: @PattiRobinsonArt



Cynthia C. Petry, USA
Number Seven-Diana, 2023
10 x 5¹/₂ x 2 in. (25.4 x 14 x 5.1 cm)
IG: @cpetry_collage



Catherine Rogers, England
Mary Magdalene found him first! 2023
81/4 x 111/2 in. (21 x 29.7 cm)
catherine-rogers.com
IG: @catheriner0gers



Maria Pianelli, USA Infinity, 2023 2¹/₄ x 2¹/₄ x 2¹/₄ in. (5.7 x 5.7 x 5.7 cm) etsy.com/shop/SunsetSewsAndThrows IG: @sunset sews



Jolie Ruin, USA Only The Good Die Young, 2022 7½ x 10 x 2 in. (19 x 25.4 x 5.1 cm) TheEscapistArtist.Etsy.Com IG: @TheEscapistArtist



Jennifer Sampson, USA The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire, 1911, 2023 Folded: 10 x 8 x 5 in. $(25.4 \times 20.3 \times 12.7 \text{ cm})$ scissorsandstories.com IG: @scissorsandstories



E L Schmidt, USA Jesus on the Beach, 2023 3 x 4 in. (7.6 x 10.2 cm) erikalawlorschmidt.net





Mimi Shapiro, USA Link to I-Cloud, 2023 $\sim 10 \times 8 \text{ in.} (25.4 \times 20.3 \text{ cm})$ mimiartz.com IG: @mimi shapiro



Rivkah Simcha, USA Grief Work, 2023 10 x 8 x 5 in. (25.4 x 20.3 x 12.7 cm) shulamithinshadow.com IG: @shulamith in shadow



Louise de St. Jorre, Canada Filling the Void, 2023 6 x 8 x 4 in. (15.2 x 20.3 x 10.2 cm) IG: @luludsj



Dora Szeliga, Poland 14 Days and Counting, 2023 $4^{1/8}$ x 2 x in. $1^{1/2}$ in. (10.5 x 5 x 4 cm) IG: @dora.szeliga



Thomas Terceira, USA Three Oracular Objects, 2023 \sim 5 x 5 in. (12.7 x 12.7 cm) IG: @thomas terceira



Emily Tironi, USA Disability Pride Power Chair, 2023 $9^{3}/4 \times 8 \times 6^{1}/2$ in. (24.8 x 20.3 x 16.5 cm) emilytironi.wixsite.com/ettdesigns IG: @ett.designs



Ian Tothill, UK Lightbulb Moment, 2023 $4 \frac{3}{4} \times 2 \frac{3}{4} \times 2 \frac{3}{4} \text{ in.}$ (12 x 7 x 7 cm) iantothill.com IG: @iantothill



Michael Toti, USA Modular Madness, 2023 $10 \times 8^{1/2}$ in. (25.4 x 21.6 cm) IG: @cuttearscream



Daisy Triolo, Italy Message to You, 2023 $2^{3/8} \times 3^{3/4}$ in. (6 x 9.5 cm) IG: @daisy triolo



Ariane Valesqua, Italy Living Rooms, 2023 $9^{3/4} \times 7^{3/4} \times 3$ in.(25 x 20 x 8 cm) IG: @arianevalesqua



Matt Vanderlee, USA Joan Miro Called this a Poem, 2023 13 x 2 ½ x 2 ½ in. (33 x 6.4 x 6.4 cm) IG: @matt vanderlee



Kathy Why, UK

It's the Little Things, 2023
2 x 2 in. (5 x 5 cm)

IG: @bee kind and garden



Anke Vos, Germany View, 2021 1½ x 1½ x 3¼ in. (4 x 4 x 2 cm) ankevos.de IG: @anke vos art



Bridie Wolejko, USA *Fireflies*, 2023 5 x 3 x 12 in. bridiewolejko.com IG: @Artist.bee.dubs



Susan Wakal, Canada *Molten*, 2023 2¹/₂ x 4 in. (6.4 x 10.2 cm) closed 5 x 4 in. (12.7 x 10.2 cm) open IG: @picturepanache



Ken Wolfer, USA How to be a Girl/Physical Form, 2023 10 x 8 x 5 in (25.4 x 20.3 x 12.7 cm) 7 ½ x 4 x 1 in. (19 x 10.2 x 2.5 cm) IG: @m.wolfer



Eva Waldauf, Canada *Oceans and Islands Travel*, 2023 8 x 10 x 2 in. (20.3 x 25.4 x 5 cm) nbspocean-hearts-collide.weebly.com IG: @evawaldauf1



Ed Woodham, USA #storyofed, 2023 8 x 6 x 3 in. (20.3 x 15.2 x 7.6 cm) edwoodham.com IG: @ed.woodham



Jim White, USA Grace, 2018 11 x 17 in. (27.9 x 43.2 cm) jamesearlwhite.com IG: @jamesearlwhiteart



Sara Zinelli, UK Dark sun, 2023 ~8 x 8 in.(15.2 x 15.2 cm) IG: @missedartbeats

VAYO COLLAGE GALLERY is a non-profit, independently funded art space dedicated to celebrating the work of contemporary collage artists from around the world. Striving to elevate collage to its rightful place alongside other fine art mediums, the gallery's seasonal exhibitions are always free to the public.



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