

ATELIER

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New Warsaw Art Gallery Debuts First Exhibition

What: RITUAL: PAINTINGS BY ANDREA GRANGER

Where: ATELIER, 104 East Center Street, Warsaw, IN 46580

When: Opening Thursday, March 9, 6–9pm; Press Preview 5–6pm



ATELIER, a new contemporary art gallery in downtown Warsaw, Indiana, will open its first exhibition, RITUAL: PAINTINGS BY ANDREA GRANGER, on March 9.

Featured artist Andrea Granger will use the exhibition to display more than a dozen abstract expressionist paintings, rendered in bold color and with compositional virtuosity. The artist says the show's title reflects her creative process.

"For me, creating art is a ritual, a meditation in color and form," Granger says. "I let my intuition guide me and let the brush lead. It's a dance between me and the canvas, and I never know where it will take me."

According to ATELIER owner Sea Grandon, the word ritual not only describes Granger's process, but also her final product. "In these paintings, we see something primitive and central to the human condition," Grandon says. "It is an exploration of our core instincts and emotional commonalities and the strength that we derive from them."

Granger's pieces, like "Casting the Bones" and "Bewitched," invite viewers to feel the rhythm of the artwork's heartbeat and contemplate meaning, Grandon says.

Granger cites art legends Joan Mitchell, Helen Frankenthaler and Lee Krasner as influences. She says music plays a central role in her artistic process. For her ATELIER show, Granger will provide visitors a playlist offering additional insight into her RITUAL.

RITUAL will open from 6pm to 9pm on March 9 at 104 East Center Street in Warsaw, the new home of ATELIER. Media members are invited to a preview at 5pm. The show will run through April 22. ATELIER hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays 11am-4pm, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays 11am-8pm.

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Andrea Granger is a painter and designer based in Warsaw, Indiana. She attended the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, where she primarily studied painting. Her coming show at ATELIER is her first solo exhibition.

RITUAL will be the debut exhibition for ATELIER, a new contemporary art gallery in Warsaw owned and operated by Sea Grandon. Grandon is a contemporary art advisor and attorney. ATELIER is her first art gallery.