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“FRISSENS” BY CAROL RUBIN

Exhibit Dates: October 21- December 2, 2016
Reception: Friday, November 4 from 6:00pm-8:00pm
Location: Washington Studio School, 2129 S Street, NW
(Dupont Circle Metro)
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“Untamed with yellow”, oil, 36” X24”



“Vase”, oil, 35” x 49”

Washington Studio School (WSS) is pleased to present a solo exhibit of paintings and drawings by Washington, DC artist Carol Rubin. Rubin explores plant life and a variety of other subject matter, to discover forces and interconnections; yielding essential rhythms, active powerful paintings, reminiscent of the abstract expressionists. Rubin works in oil using vivid color, strong compositions and aggressive brushwork.

Rubin writes, “I like to begin with loose paint, working in rapid gestural strokes across the canvas. I feel the gesture with my arm, and use juxtaposition of color to create energy. As a southerner I need the light, I celebrate it, not with gray, but with color that evokes emotion. I build the surface, touching each part of the canvas multiple times as I set a rhythm. Surfaces come alive as I move through layers, adding and scraping, building surface texture, sharpening and softening. I start with a sense of what the painting is about, but it reveals itself in stages, layer by layer”.

Rubin received the BA degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, in 1975. She studied at the Corcoran School of Art in Washington, DC and received the Certificate of Achievement at the Washington Studio School, Washington DC, in 2009. She has attended various residencies including the Vermont Studio Center. Rubin’s work has been exhibited in solo shows at Studio Gallery, SPACE gallery, and WSS Gallery in Washington, DC, and in juried shows, nationally. Her work is held in private collections internationally.



“The Cruz, oil, 42” x 36”