

REYNOLDS GALLERY

PRESENTS

401 LIBBIE AVE

OPENING

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For more than forty years, Reynolds Gallery has been an arts anchor in Richmond's Fan District, uniting artists and their work with this vibrant community. Building on this history, we look to expand the awareness and connections of our artists by adding an additional gallery at 401 Libbie Avenue in Richmond's Near West End. This move pushes forward the range of programming available to gallery artists, art enthusiasts and collectors.

In 1977, Reynolds Gallery was founded by Beverly Reynolds as she identified the need and opportunity for a contemporary art gallery in Richmond. Over the last four decades, Reynolds Gallery has grown into one of the most well known Mid-Atlantic galleries, exhibiting many blue-chip artists like Ellsworth Kelly, John Baldessari, and Sally Mann. Reynolds Gallery is also proud to represent a rich pool of Virginia-based talent, including many professors and students from VCUarts.

In 2002, just a year after September 11th during a time of uncertainty, Bev doubled the gallery space on Main Street. To inaugurate the expansion, she wrote:

Reynolds Gallery is honored to have exhibited the artwork of exceptional artists for over the past 25 years. Their remarkable range of artistic expression has created a texture of distinction and great pride for the gallery. Personal relationships with the artists and dealers have been extremely rewarding and are based on respect, trust, friendship, and a common desire to share. Collectors, both individual and corporate, who have encouraged and supported these efforts have been critical to our continued desire to exhibit great art. They have challenged us to look for new ways of reconsidering ourselves in the context of our new world.

Bev's words ring true and capture our sentiments as we expand in 2021 and double-down on our commitment to honoring and sharing our artist's creative perspectives. The new gallery will provide us an opportunity to exhibit more artists each year, have greater flexibility in the range of works we show, and hold additional events and collector parties (when the time comes). We believe that art has the ability to enrich our lives, and this new space gives us an opportunity to share the artists' expressions with more viewers. As we watch the Libbie-Grove area of Richmond thriving and growing, the new Reynolds Gallery is intended to add to the cultural fabric of the neighborhood and become a destination for anyone looking for inspiration - whether you're a curious beginner or a seasoned collector.

Reynolds Gallery at 401 Libbie Avenue will open to the public in February. Business hours will be 10am to 5pm, Tuesday through Saturday. Our first exhibition will be an extension of *Surroundings*, our current landscape exhibition in the Fan.