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CONTEMPORARY ART STUDIO AND GALLERY OPENS IN COMFORT

Studio Comfort Texas (SCTX) celebrates new artist studio gallery with Debut Exhibition and Opening Reception.

COMFORT, TX – The Texas Hill Country's newest contemporary artist studio gallery is open for business in the idyllic town of Comfort, but enter the front doors of the historic building, and you might think you've stepped into Santa Fe or New York.

To celebrate its inception, Studio Comfort Texas is pleased to announce their *SCTX Debut Exhibition* and Opening Reception featuring select works by thirteen visual artists and poets.

Studio Comfort Texas—SCTX for short—is home to an exclusive group of mutually supportive artists and fine art educators, from emerging to established professionals. In addition to gallery artist representation, SCTX proprietors, Jeannette MacDougall and Cara Hines, bring a strong focus on expanded art course programming and guest artist workshops. The gallery's emphasis is on Texas artists making contemporary work that is exceptional in its approach.

SCTX Debut Exhibition runs from Wednesday, March 13, through Sunday, April 28. You are invited to join the celebrations during the Opening Reception on Saturday, March 16, from 3:00PM to 7:00PM, followed by an after party with live music from 7:00PM to 9:00PM.

Music for the after party will be provided by Dana Falconberry and Walter Salas-Humara—two of the artists represented by Studio Comfort. The event will be held inside the gallery and the adjacent gardens, so dress to relax in the presence of art, friends, and the outdoors.

Studio Comfort Texas is located in an historic 1907 building on High Street in downtown Comfort, Texas. The building most recently housed Intermezzo Gallery & Studios, which has moved to San Antonio. Jeannette MacDougall joined Intermezzo in 2016 as curator and one of the gallery artists. Since then, she has brought her practice as a professional artist and her experience as a seasoned instructor at the Southwest School of Art to the Texas Hill Country community. Also in 2016, artist/designer Cara Hines met Jeannette when she visited the gallery, and the two bonded instantly over their artistic sensibilities, gypsy spirit, and joie de vivre. At that time, Cara was Gallery Manager at the Center for Contemporary Arts in Abilene, Texas, and a practicing artist. When Jeannette was offered the opportunity to create her own artist enclave at 716 High Street, the timing was perfect for Cara to join her in forming STUDIO COMFORT, which opened in January 2019.

Important Dates:

SCTX Debut Exhibition | March 13 – April 28 SCTX Debut Opening Reception | Saturday, March 16 – 3:00PM to 7:00PM SCTX Debut After Party | Saturday, March 16 – 7:00PM to 9:00PM



LINKS:

FaceBook Event: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/292428608098995/</u> Studio Comfort Website: <u>www.studiocomforttexas.com</u> Jeannette MacDougall website: <u>https://jeannette-macdougall.squarespace.com/</u> Cara Hines website: <u>www.carahines.com</u>

Other articles and press about Jeannette MacDougall:

- <u>https://airstudiopaducah.com/2013/09/16/jeannette-macdougall/</u>
- <u>https://www.expressnews.com/news/local/article/Battered-nativity-scene-a-town-s-tradition-6655413.php#photo-9014855</u>
- <u>https://www.artslant.com/global/artists/show/57142-jeannette-macdougall?tab=PROFILE</u>
- <u>https://www.mysanantonio.com/community/northwest/news/article/Winning-artists-named-in-Art-and-Conservation-1344012.php</u>

Other articles and press about Cara Hines:

- <u>https://www.reporternews.com/story/entertainment/columnists/janet-van-vleet/2016/08/18/photographic-</u> exhibit-at-the-center-for-contemporary-arts-breathtaking/92218026/
- <u>https://www.reporternews.com/story/entertainment/blogs/seeking-beauty/2015/11/06/new-exhibits-at-the-center-a-happy-smile/92346378/</u>