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ROSE OLSON's Paintings Bring Color to the Foreground in *Ju Ju Blues*

Boston, MA - Kingston Gallery is pleased to present a new solo exhibition by member artist ROSE OLSON. Her paintings on panel radiate with shimmering light, the result of numerous expertly mixed and applied layers of transparent paint on wood.

On View: June 5-28, 2015

Reception: Friday, June 5, 5:30 – 8 PM

The works are about color, and Olson's technique makes each piece come alive. The fine layers and tones bring about changeable surfaces, at times bright and definite, at other times delicate and sheer like a seashell just pulled from the surf. These shifts occur depending on the viewer's vantage point and the light source. As Olson says in her statement, "color has a sharpening aspect, affecting our senses and intellect simultaneously." She arranges colors in horizontal bands, reductive compositions that focus our attention on color and light.

Olson is mindful of the surface she selects for each work. "The character of the wood is as important to me as the colors I use," she says. The paint's translucence allows the wood grain to show through and even at times to become highlighted. The paintings use color and line to harness natural elements that are still, lush, and life-affirming.

Rose Olson is based on Boston's North Shore. Her recent exhibitions include Susan Maasch Fine Art, Portland ME, Hutson Gallery, Provincetown, MA, Danforth Museum of Art, Framingham, MA, Art Trace Gallery, Tokyo, Japan, and Montserrat College of Art, Beverly, where she is a professor. She is represented by Susan Maasch Fine Art, Portland, ME. For more information, please visit www.roseolson.com.

Ju Ju Blues is in Kingston's Main Gallery from June 5 - 28, 2015. Kingston's Center Gallery will feature the work of **Kathleen Gerdon Archer**, and the Member's Gallery will feature work by **Joan Baldwin**. The reception takes place on Friday June 5, 2015, 5:30–8:00 p.m.

Kingston Gallery is an artist-run alternative space founded in 1982. The gallery is committed to exhibiting the work of established and emerging artists. It hosts one-person and group exhibitions by gallery members and provides exhibition opportunities for non-members in its Center Gallery. The gallery is located in Boston's historic South End between Harrison Avenue and Albany Street in the vibrant SoWA gallery district.

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Images: *From the Top*, acrylic on wood & *Deep Waters*, 2015, acrylic on wood