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Jamie Bowman's Painterly Tribute On View at Kingston Gallery in February

BOSTON, MA, December 20, 2015 - Kingston Gallery is pleased to present *Portraits*, a solo exhibition by Jamie Bowman. The works are autobiographically inspired, as their subjects are the nurses caring for her mother, who was paralyzed in an accident a year ago.

On View: February 3 - 28, 2016
First Friday Opening Reception: Friday, February 5, 5:30-8:00 pm

The oil paintings possess a range of brushwork and depth of emotion one may expect in large works, but these are smaller than life-size. The sensitivity of each portrait demonstrates the strong bonds that formed between the artist and the nurses. It also speaks to the time that the artist spends with her mother, who continues to recuperate in the hospital. As Bowman said, "In a time that has been overwhelming, frustrating and scary, her nurses have been a calm constant, giving us both peace of mind."

The paintings function as witnesses to qualities that make a difficult time tolerable, and result in messages of beauty and hope. In addition to portraits of the nurses, the exhibition will also include floral arrangements Bowman painted as a gesture of appreciation for each of the nurses.

ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

Jamie Bowman is an Associate Member of Kingston Gallery. Based in Boston, she has shown widely, including at the Danforth Art Museum, Framingham, MA, First Street Gallery, NYC, and Walter Feldman Gallery, Boston, MA. Bowman has a MA in Studio Teaching from Boston University, Boston, MA, an MFA in Painting from the University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH, and a BFA in Painting from the State University of New York at Plattsburgh, Plattsburgh, NY.

Also at Kingston Gallery in February: *Phantasmal Espionage* by Jamal Thorne in the Main Gallery and *New Work* by Jennifer Moses in the Members' Gallery. **First Friday Opening Reception:** February 5, 5:30-8:00 pm.

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 guest artists 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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Image caption: Jamie Bowman, *Terry*, 8"x6", oil on paper on panel, 2015.