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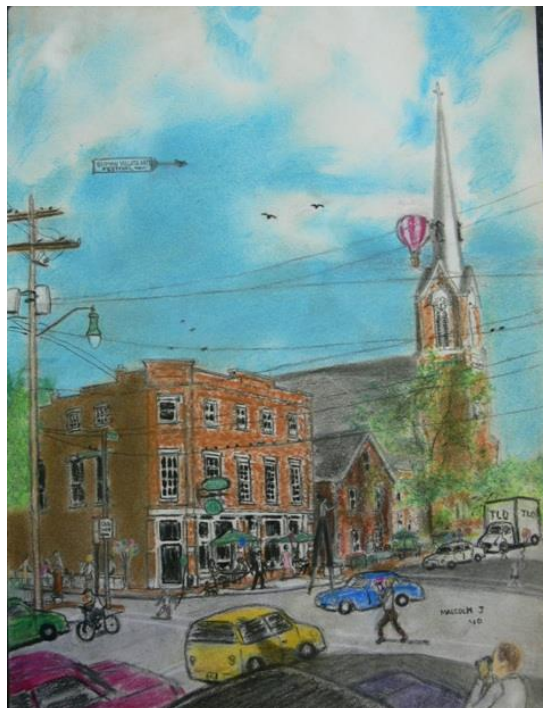
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Fresh A.I.R. Gallery

Presents

City Jewels

New Works of Art by Malcolm J.



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Columbus, Ohio – (43215) – Fresh A.I.R. (Artists in Recovery) Gallery is pleased to present *City Jewels*, New Works of Art by Kevin Malcolm Jones, A.K.A. Malcolm J. Born in Cleveland Ohio, Malcolm J. is a naturally gifted self taught artist. In 2005, he revived his art making career when arriving in Columbus, homeless, disheveled and dealing with internal issues such as depression and chemical dependency that soaked up much of his past. During this dark time in his life, Malcolm J. turned to local agencies such as Southeast Inc and Friends of the Homeless for assistance and he started sketching to help battle his depression. In 2007, at the Fresh A.I.R. Gallery he participated in his first ever gallery group exhibit experience and felt as if he fit right in. His passion for sharing his artwork to the world is profound. You can find him on the streets in the Short North Arts District and OSU Campus promoting and sharing his work to the local patrons, galleries and boutique owners.

Malcolm J's artwork in *City Jewels* is all new work within the past year consisting of local and far away destinations of well known and famous landmarks portraying cityscapes. Malcolm J. is also known for drawings of social and political satire. "I've found success in my drawings of social, political and cityscapes that consist of charcoal, graphite, ink and pastels and occasionally painting with acrylic and watercolor. My artwork is somewhat different than the mainstream, being that I deal with illustrations on the social level. The "Real World" as we live in. I try to bring the conscious level to mind. There's a need to in me to express these issues because they do exist. I want to continue to show my art and share my story with others who have misfortunes and offer inspiration to them." - Malcolm J.

Please join us for the artist's reception on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Fresh A.I.R. Gallery. The exhibition will run through June 30. The reception is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Fresh A.I.R. Gallery is located at 131 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

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Fresh A.I.R. Gallery’s mission is to exhibit the works of these individuals affected by mental illness and/or substance abuse disorders. Through art, we educate the community and work to break down the stigma of mental illness by bringing focus to the artistic vision.

Fresh A.I.R. Gallery is operated by Southeast Inc. Southeast Inc. is a comprehensive provider of mental health, chemical dependency, physical healthcare and homeless services that has been serving Columbus since 1978 and five surrounding counties. Southeast’s telephone number is (614) 225-0980 or Fax (614) 225-0986 or visit <http://www.southeastinc.com/freshair>

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