



KENTLER INTERNATIONAL DRAWING SPACE

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Nancy Bowen *For Each Ecstatic Instant*

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Opening Reception: Friday, September 7, 5 – 8pm

Artist's Talk: Saturday, October 6, 4pm

Gallery Hours: Thursday – Sunday, 12 – 5pm

Kentler International Drawing Space is pleased to present *For Each Ecstatic Instant*, a solo exhibition of new works on paper by Brooklyn-based artist Nancy Bowen.

Inspired by the contents of her late father's home, these large-scale drawings, collages and assemblages reclaim and reimagine Western history from Bowen's point of view. Imagery taken from almanacs, dictionaries, maps and scientific texts are isolated, altered, and reconstructed to create new associations, often giving insight to our current cultural and political predicaments. Many collages are adorned with ornamental and structural elements such as knots, beads, glass, ceramics and other objects that add a personal or feminist touch.

The title of the exhibition refers to a poem by Emily Dickinson, a writer with whom the artist identifies: she is a woman from New England, working in the time period from which many of the materials in Bowen's exhibition originate. The poem also reflects dualities in Bowen's work, which is visually vibrant and often humorous while also pondering death and the passage of time.

A brochure with an essay by Sarah Sentilles accompanies the exhibition.

Kentler International Drawing Space is located at 353 Van Brunt Street (between Dikeman & Wolcott Streets) in Red Hook, Brooklyn. For more information, contact Executive Director Florence Neal, 718.875.2098 or visit www.kentlergallery.org.

Founded by two artists in 1990, Kentler International Drawing Space Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit arts organization presenting contemporary exhibitions of drawings and works on paper by emerging and under-recognized local, national and international artists as part of the cultural fabric of the community. Kentler Programs include: Exhibitions and Events, The Kentler Flatfiles and K.I.D.S. Art Education.



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