



KENTLER INTERNATIONAL DRAWING SPACE

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Joanne Howard *Skid Marks*

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Opening Reception: Saturday, April 10, 2 – 5pm

Artist's Talk: Sunday, May 2, 2021

Gallery Hours: Thursday – Sunday, 12 – 5pm

Kentler International Drawing Space is pleased to present *Skid Marks*, a solo exhibition of new drawings by Nyack, NY-based artist Joanne Howard.

This body of work explores the unexpected beauty of tire treads. Howard isolates and recontextualizes individual skid marks to reveal their decorative qualities. She meticulously stitches each pattern using black thread on linen to immortalize these ubiquitous, transitory subjects. Threads streaming from the bottom of each drawing add dimensionality and movement to the captured image.

In addition to the *Skid Mark* pieces, Howard's exhibition includes a series of drawings made with black oil stick on collaged postcards. Howard applies oil stick evenly over the surface of the assembled cards and then scrapes it away, partially revealing the colorful scenes and tableaux underneath. As with the embroidered tire treads, the accumulated lines convey an unexpected sense of beauty and order. The natural subjects of these drawings emphasize the organic qualities of the tire patterns.

A brochure with an essay by Daniel Wolff accompanies the exhibition.



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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.