

FOLEY 15

Looking Back - Part I
Our Earthly Figures - Part II

February 12 - March 15

Opening Reception: February 12th 6-8pm



One reason why 2020 is so special for me is the celebration of the gallery's 15th year. (I am cheating a bit as we actually opened on September 22, 2004, but who's counting).

In 2004 I opened the gallery in a modest space on the upper floor of a Chelsea gallery building. We started with a program that exclusively featured photography. I knew that medium best and people associated me with it.

The following year, I added collage and drawing, which are passions of mine. Over the next few years, paper, became the medium that brought it all together. I love paper...what artists do on it and what they do with it.

After two other locations, I set root at 59 Orchard Street in 2014. We are firmly settled here and have expanded the program to include so much more.

I have chosen to celebrate our 15 years, in two parts. Part 1 is a look back at 15 artists that we have worked with. In Part 2, I have selected 15 artists that I have never worked with before. Both exhibitions will be on view.

Looking Back (Part 1) is exactly that. A walk-through history, gems from 15 different exhibitions. *Our Earthly Figures (Part 2)* takes another direction from *Looking Back (Part I)*. It is a look forward with 15 female artists from around the world, whose subject is narrowed into their interpretation of the female body. With each artist, comes a different narrative, experience, and cultural background that represents their practice and aesthetic.

We feel honored to have such a remarkable group of women from countries and cities such as Poland, Lebanon, Madrid, Pakistan, Paris and New York, participating in *Our Earthly Figures*. The media is mixed from photography to painting and everything in between.

This is a celebration of what we have accomplished and the direction we are charting to move toward. In a changing world, it's an exciting time to address what's happening now, with an eye on where we came from.

Looking Back (Part 1) and *Our Earthly Figures (Part 2)* is on view through March 15th 2020. Foley Gallery is open Wednesday through Saturday, 11 – 5:30pm and Sunday from 12-5pm. To request images; please contact the gallery at hello@foleygallery.com.