

Local Color

Paintings and more paintings by Miriam Marcus: plus one collaborative collage.

“Art is long and life is short.” That saying continues: “Opportunity fugitive and reasoning difficult.” It is attributed to a Greek thinker; I don’t remember which one...Heraclitus? The opportunity to put this work on these walls came out of friendship of which life is too short not to grab when it runs quickly by.

Painting is a mostly solitary art, unlike music which is often a shared creation. I was thinking that painting lasts longer than music, but Neil Young said in an interview with Terri Gross that music goes on and on beyond the stars.

Have you ever thought that you know a hundred living musicians but hardly any painters? Is this the failure of painting, or is it that art is not useful to you?

If you are a painter or a student of art history, the influences here are obvious: Watteau, Veronese, Titian – masters whose art continues to live though they are long gone. My painterly compadres have been dead for hundreds of years, but they still share their passion with me and hopefully you.

You are invited to write your comments and questions in the guest book. I will try to reply.

Thank you for coming in. Thank you, Carolyn, for inviting me and doing all this work.

--*Miriam Marcus*

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