CIG HARVEY

Eat Flowers

March 12 — May 15, 2021 Opening Reception Saturday, March 13th 11am - 4pm

ANGELA WEST Persephone Closing Book Signing with Cig Harvey Saturday, May 8th

Jackson Fine Art is excited to celebrate the *welcome* approach of spring with *Eat Flowers* and *Persephone*, exhibitions of new work from **Cig Harvey** and **Angela West**. Both series are lush explorations of the changing seasons and celebrations of emotional rebirth from two of the most innovative female photographers working today. This is the gallery's first exhibition of Cig Harvey's work, and our fifth exhibition of Angela West, the first since 2010's *Trigger*.

On **Saturday, March 13**th, we'll be accepting special opening weekend appointments from 11am – 4pm, with Angela West in attendance from 12-2pm. Appointments may be made by visiting our <u>website</u>.

On **Saturday, May 8th**, **Cig Harvey** will give a closing artist talk, followed by questions and a book signing in celebration of Harvey's forthcoming monograph, *Blue Violet*. Cig's previous books *You Look At Me Like An Emergency, Gardening at Night*, and *You an Orchestra, You a Bomb* have all sold out and have won numerous awards.

Eat Flowers, an exhibition of recent work by Cig Harvey, is a multi-sensory installation of photography and text that celebrates the artists' unique and contemplative approach to finding beauty in even the most mundane. Combining letterpress text, straight photography, and sculpture, Harvey provides an experience mirroring her celebrated photobooks, in which she offers viewers a glimpse into her artistic process through drawings, writings, and references.

In *Persephone*, an exhibition of new large-scale mixed media pieces from Angela West, the artist draws from her extensive archives, reimagining works from *My 33rd Spring*, a body of work she first presented 17 years ago following her MFA program at Yale. As the world stood still in 2020, West returned to these photographs, layering paint on top of her original landscapes to create a series of unique paintings that celebrate rebirth and the reemergence of West as a force in the photographic community.

About Cig Harvey

Cig Harvey is an artist whose practice seeks to find the magical in everyday life. Rich in implied narrative, Harvey's work is deeply rooted in the natural environment, and offers explorations of belonging and familial relationships. The photographs and artist books of Cig Harvey have been widely exhibited and remain in the permanent collections of major museums and collections, including the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston; Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; the Farnsworth Art Museum, Rockland, Maine; and the International Museum of Photography and Film at the George Eastman House, Rochester, New York. She has been a nominee for John Gutmann fellowship, the Santa Fe Prize, and the Prix Pictet, and a finalist for the BMW Prize, the Karl Lagerfield Collection at Paris Photo, the Clarence John Laughlin Award and The Taylor Messing Photographic Portrait Prize. Most recently, Cig was named one of the 2021 recipients of the Farnsworth's Maine in America Award.

About Angela West

Angela West grew up in Dahlonega, Georgia, and received her MFA in photography from Yale University. Much of Angela West's photography is a series of varied photographic projects relating to her hometown and the chronology of its inhabitants. Employing the traditional

academic genres of art to explore the nature and place of community, West's projects include portrait studies of small-town teenage girls, landscape explorations of neighborhoods, and still lifes that represent the passing of time. Angela West's richly realized color photographs balance affection for her subjects with precise and unsentimental observation. Angela West's photography is included in the collections of the High Museum of Art, The Ogden Museum of Southern Art and The Hirshhorn Museum in Washington D.C. Angela West was the recipient of a 2009 Artadia Award.

Contact

To arrange interviews with Cig Harvey or Angela West or Anna Walker Skillman, and to request high resolution images, please contact Coco Conroy: coco@jacksonfineart.com.

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