*Beauty & Discovery*

February 25th - March 31st

Exhibition Sponsor:

Reception Host:

The Art Association of Harrisburg is thrilled to present *Beauty & Discovery*, a three artist invitational featuring the work of Pamela J. Black, Ashley Moog Bowlsbey, and Jessie Waite. The exhibition opens on February 25th with a reception from 5-8pm, and will be on view through March 31st.

Pamela J. Black is an abstract painter who lives and works in a rural town outside of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Pamela’s paintings are interpretations of what she sees around her and what she has discovered through sketches along her travels. She often begins by creating a random mark on canvas or paper and responds to it by bringing order back to the surface. Ultimately, her creative process is fueled by a need to find a sense of balance between chaos and control. Through this dialogue that Pamela creates, she continues to find connections to herself. Her paintings serve as reflections of her soul’s landscape - they are visual records of her emotions, findings, and her everyday thoughts. Pamela’s hope is for the viewer to be brought into the present moment while engaging with her paintings and to be able to find their own story within the artwork.

Ashley Moog Bowlsbey is an artist from southern York County, Pennsylvania. She is currently an adjunct professor of photography at York College of Pennsylvania. She specializes in both analog and digital photography, along with several bookmaking and printmaking processes. Ashley’s work is emotionally driven, often focusing on topics of family, home, loss and personal struggles. Her work has been exhibited nationally and internationally in locations such as Philadelphia PA, Washington DC, Orlando Fl, Lynchburg Virginia, Pingyao China, Daegu South Korea, Arles France, and London England.

Jessie Waite is an abstract painter from Harrisburg, PA. Jessie’s work reflects the beauty that can be found in every day life. Even the simplest things can be endlessly inspiring and interesting. Feelings of gladness, gratitude and joy encourage daily renewal as expressed in Jessie’s paintings. Vibrant colors, and contrast of shapes and forms are all apart of the things that artistically excite her. Through each of her paintings, Jessie invites the viewer to see through her eyes and feel the joys each day can hold if given the chance.