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## **City Hall Gallery to feature Jane Terzis show**

The Springfield Arts Commission is pleased to present *Learning to Live in the World*, an exhibition of work by artist Jane Terzis. The show will run from May 1-31, 2018 with an opening reception from 5-7 p.m., Friday, May 11, in City Hall, 225 Fifth Street, Springfield

Throughout an artistic career that has included commercial and medical illustration as well as graphic design and collegiate-level instruction, Jane Terzis has centered her creative practice on the work that she began at age four: painting people. *Learning to Live in the World* presents a collection of tender and introspective portraits of characters who exist within the realm of each painting and capture the challenges of living in today's world. While nearly all of the faces in this series are fictional, Terzis doesn't question why she paints what she paints "but in the end the people in these paintings are self-portraits, as most artworks tend to be."

The reception is open to the public and will also feature light refreshments and live music by Frank Poloney. A jazz flutist and founder of the Jazz Flute Project, Poloney performs at the Eugene Saturday Market, Jazz Station, and special events throughout the area.

Located on a ninety-foot wall just outside the entrance to the Springfield library, City Hall Gallery is seen by approximately 3,700 visitors each month. Since 1989, the gallery has featured monthly shows by regional artists chosen by the Springfield Arts Commission. The Commission issues a public call to artists each year. More information is available on the website, [springfieldartscommission.org](http://springfieldartscommission.org).

### **About Springfield Arts Commission**

The Springfield Arts Commission promotes artistic and cultural richness and diversity in the City of Springfield, Oregon and assists in the preservation of the cultural heritage of the community as expressed through artistic endeavors. The Commission seeks to support opportunities for artistic creation, exhibits, performances and events, and to facilitate awareness, communication, education and collaboration to increase the accessibility of the arts and art-related resources in the community. The nine-member

volunteer Commission manages City Hall Gallery, administers the Heritage Arts Grant program, maintains Art Alley, a collection of outdoor murals, and supports youth arts programs in collaboration with the Springfield Public Library. The Commission is funded by City of Springfield room taxes. More information is available at [springfieldartscommission.org](http://springfieldartscommission.org).