

# GEORGE BILLIS GALLERY

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## Kevin Broad

May 26 - June 20, 2015

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Smyrna, 2015  
Metal complex dye on silk, 53"x35"

George Billis Gallery is pleased to announce Kevin Broad and his work at the New York location. This exhibition will run from May 26th to June 20th, 2015. The opening reception will be held at the George Billis Gallery located at 525 West 26th Street between 10th and 11th avenues on Thursday, May 28th, from 6-8 pm.

### *Review 2014*

“Having mastered the art of representation over the last 25 years, it was only natural for Philadelphia painter Kevin Broad - who originally hails from Nazareth, PA - to now embrace the mantle of abstraction and the Holy Grail of pure expression. Studied in technique and the process of producing his own pigments, Broad always created his images with a penetrating eye turned towards the pictorial abstract elements which underpinned them.

Now he's intentionally shunned past practices, whose results felt assured and predictable, to engage in novel, unfamiliar methods and communicate more directly with the unknown. It's as if the Nature he beheld 'out there' and once distilled onto his canvas in abstract form has now been internalized to crackle and surge like lightning in the very act of painting itself.

I see a clear line of this Nature-impetus running from the vibrant high-pitched hues of the young artist's first watercolors to the elder incarnations presented here. I see the cosmology of landscape informing Broad's lively bursts of color and the personality of the artist embodied in the peek-a-boo dance of decorative ephemera that float across their surfaces. I see the same search for the elusive, similar to Broad's seeking to capture the changing light of Blue Mountain so many years ago. But most of all I see paintings that burn with the rarefied white heat of newfound inspiration.”

- Tony Sienzant, art critic

The George Billis Gallery marks its 19th year in the Chelsea Art district and its sister gallery is located in the burgeoning gallery district of Culver City in Los Angeles. For more information, please contact the gallery via e-mail at [galler@georgebillis.com](mailto:galler@georgebillis.com) or visit our website at [www.georgebillis.com](http://www.georgebillis.com)

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Tree Blossoms #1, 2015 metal complex dye on silk, 53"x35"