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**SHEILA GRABARSKY
RECEIVES SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION**

Artist SHEILA GRABARSKY of WARETOWN, NEW JERSEY has received a Special Recognition Merit Award for artwork in the "7th Annual Color: Bold/Subtle Juried Online International Art Exhibition" hosted by Upstream People Gallery.

This international exhibition received approximately 300 entries from around the world and 58 artists were selected by the juror Larry Bradshaw, Professor of Art at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, U. S. A.

Professor Bradshaw states this about this specially recognized work:

"Sheila Grabarsky of Waretown, New Jersey is a painters' painter in that she develops a tasteful painterly quality as seen in her mixed media piece "Fantasy Garden #2" with complementary colors that are intense and dull and light and dark."

The exhibition will be featured online during December, 2009 at www.upstreampeoplegallery.com and continue for 12 months, closing November 30, 2010.

Further information about the artist's work their own words:

"[a brief statement about "Fantasy Garden #2"](#):

This painting (30" x 36") is part of my Fantasy Garden Series (#2). My aim with this series is to evoke the feeling of being in a garden; a garden in one's imagination rather than in reality. I wanted the viewer to be able to "smell" the garden in her/his mind as well as feel its presence. It gives me joy to be in such a flowering place while I work.

The mixed media incorporated is acrylics, acrylic "skins" (pulled dried acrylics with which I "draw" within the composition), and oil soap on canvas."