

Opening Reception Thursday for Artist Gigi Barrett at Darien Rowayton Bank

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An art opening and wine and cheese reception in honor of artist Gigi Barrett will take place from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 10, at [Darien Rowayton Bank](#), 1001 Post Road, where her new series SKY will be on display throughout December.

Although primarily a portrait artist, her latest collection expanded her focus to include the beauty of the world under the magnificent sky. Born and bred in Bushwick, Brooklyn, she is moved by the bleakness of New York City of the 70's with its haunting Black, White and Grays.

Many works are in charcoal, stressing the lines, flaws, light and shadows while her bright acrylic and oil work has definitive characteristics one might see in a sketch.

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Her work has been shown in galleries in New York and throughout Connecticut. She has participated in several national juried art shows receiving awards for her charcoals. Most of her work is privately commissioned.

Many of her works are donated to local non-profit organizations focusing on animal care, rescues and education. Her love for all things equine has become her recent obsession, and charity of choice.

Half of all proceeds will be donated to equine rescues. Please view www.BlueEyedDingo.com for other works, progress on SKY pieces, or contact BlueEyedDingo@gmail.com or Joann McGowan at Darien Rowayton Bank, 203-669-4101.

— *An announcement from Gigi Barrett and Darien Rowayton Bank*