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GLOUCESTER MA — The Rocky Neck Art Colony Selects Katia Hale Mason as the Season's Sixth Summer Artist

Katia Hale Mason's show of innovative mixed media constructions, "Beneath the Surface," opens Wednesday, September 6 and runs until Tuesday, September 26. The public is invited to meet the artist at the Opening Reception on Saturday, September 9 from 6-8 pm at Gallery 53 on Rocky Neck, 53 Rocky Neck Ave, Gloucester, MA. Mason is drawn to details discovered when observing objects closely and finding unexpected layers and patterns. Looking deeply beneath the surface reveals beauty and possibilities.

Mason adds, deletes and builds up, using a variety of media to create depth and movement. Each layer adds something new, while other elements become hidden or obstructed. Light and shadow continuously provide new perspectives. Mason's current work, "Beneath the Surface," is heavily influenced by the ocean. Living on the coast, she sits in awe of what is revealed, hidden and carried by the ebb and flow of the tidal cycle. This series provides snapshots of the remarkable richness and complexity she observes.

As an emerging artist, Mason is gaining attention, most recently by *Maine Home + Design Magazine* as featured in "Ones to Watch" artist listing. She is currently represented by The Littlefield Gallery in Winter Harbor, ME. Her work is in many private collections throughout the United States.

Mason is a graduate of The College of New Rochelle, where she received a B.A. in Communications. She has spent her career working in consulting and now enjoys discovering the world around her in great detail and expressing it in her art work. She resides and works in Gloucester, MA. For more information about Katia Mason, see www.katiahalemason.com.

Gallery 53 on Rocky Neck is a juried co-op gallery that features a distinctive collection of fine arts by Rocky Neck Art Colony members. Located in a historic 19th century building between the Studio and Rudder Restaurants at 53 Rocky Neck Ave, Gloucester, Gallery 53 is open May 25 to October 15 from 10 am to 6 pm, Sunday through Thursday, and from 10 am to 8 pm Friday and Saturday. For more information call [978-282-0917](tel:978-282-0917) or go to rockyneckartcolony.org.

See Gallery 53 on Rocky Neck on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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The Rocky Neck Art Colony, a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization nurtures

excellence in the arts through exhibitions, workshops, residencies and vibrant cultural events for its members and the public. Long renowned for its luminous light, this harbor and coastal location has been a magnet for some of the most revered realist paintings in American art and a catalyst for the progressive ideas of artists from Stuart Davis, Marsden Hartley, Milton Avery, and Nell Blaine, among many others. Today Rocky Neck continues to attract artists and art lovers to a thriving creative community. For up-to-date information visit rockyneckartcolony.org.