



KENTLER INTERNATIONAL DRAWING SPACE

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FRONT GALLERY: Nancy Manter, *Water Prayers*

BACK GALLERY: *Selections from the Red Hook Archives*

Exhibition Dates: February 15 – March 31, 2013

Opening Reception: Friday, February 15, 6:00 – 8:00pm

Artist's Talk: March 10, 4:00pm

Gallery Hours: Open free to the public, Thursday – Sunday, 12:00 – 5:00pm

Kentler International Drawing Space is pleased to present *Water Prayers*, an exhibition of drawings by Nancy Manter. Her work will be on view in the front gallery space from February 15th – March 31st. A brochure with an essay by Stephen Maine accompanies the exhibition.

Nancy Manter responds to current global weather patterns and the volatility of our natural environment with her large-scale works on roofing paper. Using graphite, conte crayon and acrylic gesso, she interprets the formal properties of water, snow and ice onto a surface associated with shelter and protection.

In its exploration of order, chaos, and the psychological implications of life on a changing planet, *Water Prayers* is both timely and site-specific. As Red Hook struggles in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, Manter's atmospheric exhibition invites needed contemplation and refuge.

In conjunction with this exhibition, *Selections from the Red Hook Archives* will be on view in the back gallery space. The assortment includes photographs, maps and documents highlighting Red Hook's diverse and evolving history, population and landscape. For more information about the Red Hook Archives: www.kentlergallery.org/pages/redhook.html

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