

Kathryn Cotnoir:
Intimate Observations

March 1 - April 1, 2023

Artist Reception: Saturday, March 4, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Karin Clarke Gallery is pleased to feature a Spotlight Show of 20 small paintings by Portland artist Kathryn Cotnoir. In this exhibit, Cotnoir honors the nature of the Pacific Northwest, particularly the Oregon coast. Her paintings are an intimate scale, yet carry the spirit of the wind and the singing of the waves with the tenderness of *en plein air* style.

She writes, “I listen to this landscape for its own tales to tell. Compositions are stories. For example, trees gather on the border of a field, appear as though engaged in an animated discussion regarding their long-held position as stewards of the meadow. A forest’s determined pattern may be expressed through line and shape, charcoal and paint; a choir of color emerging.”

Cotnoir earned her BFA from the University of Connecticut (1974) and her MFA from Cornell University (1976) where she met her husband, painter Erik Sandgren. She has exhibited in venues throughout the Pacific Northwest and has been represented by Portland Art Museum’s Rental Sales Gallery since 1981. In this current group of paintings and drawings, she explores a variety of mediums: acrylic on panel and canvas; graphite and charcoal on paper; colored pencil, ink and watercolor.

Join us and meet Kathryn Cotnoir at her Artist Reception: Saturday, March 4, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Karin Clarke, *Owner/Director*

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Current Show: [*Margaret Coe: Work*](#), January 18 - February 25