

**Instinctive Evolution**  
**A Solo Exhibition by Local Artist Carol Sewell**  
**At The Southside Art League**  
**May, 2025**

The Off-Broadway Gallery and the Southside Art League are pleased to announce its May 2025 show featuring the work of UIndy graduate Carol Sewell. The show will run May 7-31 with an **opening reception, open to the public, on May 9, from 6pm-8pm.**

Known for her realistic landscapes, Sewell has gotten out of her comfort zone and found new and abstract ways of presenting the natural world.

Sewell celebrates the natural beauty that is around us and explores how fragile it can be. Her work is informed by her travels to North America's natural wonders, her undergraduate minor in geology, and her garden. Sewell's early works, in oil, simplify natural and man-made patterns and were inspired by views from airplane windows and her frequent experiences in nature. The current work, in mixed media, explores the complexities of the environment and its coexistence with man. Her background in graphic design, marketing and communications shapes her working style, which is rhythmic, layered and bold.

"Carol has produced a body of work that celebrates the natural world in a variety of ways," said Duane King, President of the Southside Art League. "The work presents her vision in realistic and abstract styles that will resonate with everyone."

"The transition to abstract painting has been a problem-solving adventure," said Sewell. "A good composition is harder than it looks."

The show features representational oil paintings as well as abstract works that reward the viewer with one impression from a distance and another up close. Sewell likes to insert little surprises for the viewer as they move around the composition. Her mixed media works are acrylic and include graphite, oil crayons, metallic foils, ink and more.

Visit the gallery during regular hours Wed. – Sat. 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Closed Sunday, Monday, & Tuesday. Please call SALI to arrange for viewing by appointment at any other time.

