



Lauren Tucci, *Coronation*. 40" x 18" x 20"



Suzy McGrane-Hop, *Untitled*. 15" x 11"

## ***GuILT***

Opening Reception | Friday March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 | 5:00-7:00pm | Gilded Pear Gallery  
Exhibition continues until March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### **Gilded Pear Gallery**

808 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52403  
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### **Description:**

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.— For the first time since the gallery opened its doors in 2011, Gilded Pear Gallery will be exhibiting artworks created by the women who operate the gallery. Gallery Owner, Suzy McGrane-Hop, studied fine arts locally at Coe College and will be exhibiting her personal works for the first time since her thesis show in 1998. “Studio guilt”- a term coined by artists, has been defined as the feeling of self-reproach for inactivity in producing artwork- this being the starting point of the concept behind *GuILT*. The exhibition challenges the makers in removing the traditional use of gilding and applying a contemporary twist to the use of gold and other fine materials. Ceramic and mixed media sculptures by Lauren Tucci, explore recognizable forms and the dissection of dream imagery. Abstracted canvas and paper works by Suzy address materiality as the primary voice while modernizing traditional processes.

Gilded Pear Gallery is located at 808 Third Avenue SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52403. For hours and more information visit [www.gildedpeargallery.com](http://www.gildedpeargallery.com) –or- call: 319-366-0205

### **About the Artists:**

#### Suzy McGrane-Hop

Suzy is the Owner of Gilded Pear Gallery. The business was established in 2011 after 16 years previously working in the field at Peppertree Studios and CornerHouse Gallery. She earned her degree in Studio Arts at Coe College and has 20+ years of experience working in the fine art industry. In 2010, she earned her Certification as an Appraiser of Personal Property; the title only held by 36 (ISA) professionals in the country having a specialty in Fine Art.

#### Lauren Tucci

Lauren Tucci's ceramic and mixed-media works illustrate the artist's captivation with hypnopompic hallucinations (semiconscious imagery immediately preceding waking up). Human, animal, and non-living objects become symbols in investigations about the self and microsociology. She is most interested in how individuals derive meaning from these arrangements and what might be gathered from the collective unconscious. Her works have been featured in various publications including *Ceramics Monthly* and have been exhibited throughout the United States and in Japan. She is the Gallery Assistant and Inventory Manager at Gilded Pear Gallery and her studio is located at the Iowa Ceramics Center and Glass Studio, where she previously attended as a resident artist. She received her Associates Degree in Art at the Community College of Allegheny County and received her Bachelor of Fine Arts with a concentration in Ceramics at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

### **Parking, Accessibility, Cost:**

A limited parking lot is available with 1 handicap space. On street- 2 hour parking is available on 3<sup>rd</sup> avenue- no meters (events do not typically exceed 2 hours). Adjacent from the gallery, there is an open parking lot at Salvation Army for overflow parking.

**All exhibit receptions are free and open to the public.**