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1. **Ann Royer. Abstract: Summer Shapes & Colours.** Acrylic on Canvas. 40" x 60"
2. **Ann Royer. Dancing Abstract I.** Bronze, marble base. 29" x 11" x 8"



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### ***Rhythm in Bloom***

Exhibit Dates: March 5 – April 17, 2021

Virtual Reception will be held via video. Release date TBA

### **Gilded Pear Gallery**

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## **RHYTHM IN BLOOM**

### **Description:**

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.— Gilded Pear Gallery is delighted to present *Rhythm in Bloom*, a solo exhibition of recent abstract artworks by beloved Cedar Rapids artist, Ann Royer.

Ann Royer is a multidisciplinary artist with more than 60 years of artmaking experience. Among her wide repertoire, Royer's abstracts are best known for growing tendril lines, sweeping bold blocks of color, voluminous shapes filled with patterns, and sharp geometry. She says of her work, "I have always thought each person looks at art bringing with them their own experiences, which governs what they see." Although, her inspirations do not directly link to instrumentation, *Rhythm in Bloom* is a curated collection of artworks that evokes parallels to music and pay homage to spring growth.

Royer's studio is filled with the sound of symphony; more often than not, the classical radio station is playing. Intertwined is the experience of viewing the artworks and listening to the harmony surrounding them. They are inseparable in that moment, and it is difficult not to 'see' the music after its life begins in a gallery setting.



While some compositions feel like compression or expansion of a staff of notes, others appear to visually represent free jazz. It's fun to imagine melodic monochromatics and tapered stripes acting as staccato, creating space for a key change from warm to cool. The violin plays the tendril lines, the brass section punctuates with bold blocks of color. These energetic forms incidentally create shapes that blossom with the appearance of dancing. All the pieces themselves exude a spring-like aura of new growth with luminous colors. Artworks presented in this exhibition are paintings on canvas as well as sculptures in bronze.

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

**Gallery operations during the COVID-19 pandemic:**

Private viewing appointments can be made by contacting the gallery via email or phone. Gallery hours during this time are Monday-Friday 10:00am-5:00pm, Saturday 10:00am-2:00pm, and CLOSED on Sunday- appointments for services are preferred. **The gallery requires that all persons visiting be masked.** A limited parking lot is available with 1 handicap space. On street parking is available on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 8<sup>th</sup> Street- non-metered. The MedQuarter features protected bike lanes and bicycle “parking” can be found on the opposite side of the building by the Pocket Park on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. **There are no admission fees for private viewings or virtual receptions.**