



Gordon Kellenberger. *Farm Country*. Pastel. 17" x 24"



Stephen Metcalf. *He Told His Wife the Same Thing*. Oil. 22" x 30"

### **Spectrum**

Opening Reception | Friday September 7th, 2018 | 5:00-7:00pm | Gilded Pear Gallery

Exhibition continues until October 12th, 2018

During the reception, Gordon Kellenberger will be giving a live pastel demonstration.

### **Gilded Pear Gallery**

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## **SPECTRUM**

### **Description:**

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.— As autumn approaches, we focus on the beautiful and vibrant colors that transition across our landscape. **Spectrum** brings together the potent and rich colored artworks of Iowa artists, Gordon Kellenberger and Stephen Metcalf. While the works are separate in their content, they stand side by side with similar hues and tones.

Gordon's work focuses on the earth and architecture of the upper Midwest- offering an endless variety of changing light and color. Talking about his work, Gordon says, *"I tend to simplify my subjects and infuse them with bright and fresh colors. The resulting intensity and richness convey my delight in painting and my desire to express 'something good about rural life'."*

Stephen's color field oil paintings define the use of line and space in a wavelength-like format. Meditative smooth planes of gradation accompany sharp bands of beautiful chaos. Stephen describes his process stating, *"My techniques, which are my own, were not learned or invented in order to paint, but were discovered through the act of painting"*.

Gordon Kellenberger is a full-time painter working out of his Wasch Haus Studio in High Amana, Iowa, one of the seven historic villages of the Amana Colonies. He graduated with a degree in art from the University of Northern Iowa in 1965. Gordon is a past recipient of the Iowa Arts



Council's Iowa Arts Award, which honors individuals for their commitment to excellence in the arts. His pastels are found in many private and public collections throughout the United States.

Born in Chicago, Stephen Metcalf grew up in the Midwest and is now living and working in central Iowa. After honing his drafting skills at an early age, he decided to reinvent himself as an artist and as a graduate printmaking student at the University of Illinois. Metcalf produced mixed media paintings and large scale works on paper that were recognized by their inclusion in major exhibitions like Drawings USA 77 at the Minnesota Museum of Art and works on paper at the Art Institute of Chicago. Since receiving his MFA in art and design, Stephen has produced hundreds of paintings which are represented in public, private, and corporate collections throughout the United States, including the Illinois state museum, the Minnesota museum of art, the Kirkwood center hotel, the U.S. Military hospital on Nellis airbase, and the Cleveland clinic.

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

**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 and 8<sup>th</sup> street- 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.**