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# Gallery Celebrates 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary with 2 “Big” Exhibitions

December 9<sup>th</sup> – January 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Z Space Anniversary Reception on Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010 / 6-8 p.m.**

BROOKLYN – Z Space Gallery’s one year anniversary will culminate with two concurrent shows for the holiday season and a celebration for its artists and patrons. The reception on Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> (6-8pm) will feature appearances by the exhibiting artists in each show, as well as complimentary champagne, coffee, tea and sweets for those in attendance. Z Space has spent the last year building a strong community following, and plans to continue showcasing the vast and varied local art talent to be found in Brooklyn.

**“Small Works 2010” Art Exhibition & Sale** features a wide variety of original, ready-to hang, small scale art with most priced below \$200. The works, all created by local artists, include paintings both impressionist and abstract, drawings, multimedia and fine art prints on paper, and both artistic and commercial photography. By design, this small works show is perfect for the holiday season, the accessibility of the artwork allowing for the ultimate in unique gift giving, all while helping support the local arts scene. The exhibition runs from December 9<sup>th</sup> through January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011.

The currently running and well received **Art of the African Diaspora** features artwork by the numerous cultures in the New York area who trace their heritage to Africa, including those of the West Indies, South America, the United States and Africa itself. This show also boasts Z Space’s first satellite exhibition, as 8 pieces selected from the show are currently showing in the Brooklyn offices of District 45 city council member Jumaane D. Williams. The exhibition runs through January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011.

Featured artists include Brocha Teichman, an impressionist oil painter who’s recently been painting scenes of Upstate New York. Six small, affordable works from her ‘Down Country Roads’ Series highlight this show. Also featured is Mel Levine, the recently retired photographer for Time and Sports Illustrated who now produces personal visions of New York City. In this show, Mel also offers his photo of the World Trade Center memorial “Towers of Light”, a photo that was used for the cover of Time Magazine, September 2002. Other highlights include 6 works by Connecticut-based Guyanese artist Stanwyck E. Cromwell who is known for his abstract, kaleidoscopic use of fully saturated color and tropical motifs.

**The exhibition will be on display at Z Space Gallery in Zelda’s Art World at 2291 Nostrand Avenue between Ave I & J, in Midwood, Brooklyn. Hours are 9am – 7pm, Monday through Thursday, 9am – 3pm, Friday and 10am-4pm, Sunday.**

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A selection of images from the exhibition is available on request.

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