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Brand New Orleans Art Gallery presents Curious Abstraction, a survey of contemporary abstract painting that takes a closer look at the work of Katie Dumestre, Eugene Weber, and Marianne Angeli Rodriguez.

Curious Abstraction is an exhibition focusing on the work of three New Orleans based abstract painters. Dumestre has a background in fashion merchandising but is new to the world of canvas and brush. She focuses primarily on movement and color, drawing out emotion from each brush stroke to the next. Eugene Weber has lived in New Orleans since 1981 and has created a breadth of work that set the groundwork for his peers to draw from. He creates work that is the product of exploration and discovery. Curiosity leads to development of color, composition, texture and surface. Rodriguez draws her patterns and themes from world culture, ethnic textiles, and the harmonious colors reflected from nature. Each artist is self trained and contributes a unique and important perspective to the conversation of where abstract painting stands within the contemporary art community.

Walking into a world of color and thought is hard to imagine but the culmination of work from these three artists brings the viewer as close to that world as possible. Carried throughout the exhibition is a sense of freedom. Each artist, although different in their point of origin, practices an independence from representational qualities in art. Curious Abstraction allows for the viewer to seek out what they see inside themselves and reflected in the movement present on the canvasses.

This exhibition will open on March 3rd and be on view through March 30th, 2018. The opening reception is Saturday March 3rd, 6-9PM at 646 Tchoupitoulas St.

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