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B. E. SCHELLINGER – Chi-Shifters and recent works on paper

Portland, OR, July 3, 2007 - Quality Pictures is pleased to present a solo exhibition of paintings and works on paper by Portland-based artist B. E. Schellinger. This will be Schellinger's second solo exhibition at Quality Pictures. The exhibition opens August 7 and runs through October 4, 2008. Mr. Schellinger will be present at the August 7th First Thursday reception from 6 – 9 pm.

Schellinger's "Chi-Shifters" are his latest series of paintings in his signature style and explore the line where representation and abstraction meet. The paintings are sourced in landscape and architecture, but the imagery is layered and combined to create works that are ultimately abstract although one can see traces of the source imagery throughout the paintings. This framework also allows Schellinger to explore complex optic effects within the works as well. Through the use of shapes, color combinations and layering, Schellinger explores how the eye interprets these elements and lead the mind to draw conclusions that are often counter to how the painting was actually created.

The Chi-Shifters are an extension of a series of drawings created in the last three years that will be on display as well. These drawings also explore the line between representation and abstraction, but visually sit closer to the representational side than the Chi Shifters. Flowers and architectural elements co-mingle with abstract, sexually suggestive shapes and chance splatterings of color. The results are dynamic compositions in some ways explore the fusion of construction and landscaping.

For more information, please contact the gallery at 503-227-5060 or visit us on the web at www.qpca.com. Quality Pictures is open Tuesday – Saturday 11am – 6pm.