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Erin Lee Gafill: California Atmosphere

September 10th - 24th, 2022

Opening Reception 1:00pm - 6:00pm

Live Painting with the Artist: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Artists Talk: 5:00pm

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St. Helena, CA: Meuse Gallery presents *California Atmosphere*, an exhibition by Erin Lee Gafill. The exhibition will run September 10th - 24th, 2022 with the artist painting live on Saturday, September 10th, 1:00pm – 3:00pm. Followed by the Opening Reception from 4:00pm – 6:00pm, the artist will be present and will give an Artist's Talk at 5:00pm. Please join us for complimentary wine graciously donated by Spottswoode Winery and light bites.

**Artist statement:** I paint what I see, and what I cannot see. These paintings are a reverent response to the interplay of Land, Sea, and Sky on the California coast. I immerse myself in the physicality of the paint, allowing washes of color to drip, blend, spatter, and dissolve. Each painting is an adventure and a discovery.

**Erin Lee Gafill:** Born in Big Sur, CA in 1963, Erin Lee Gafill is an award-winning painter from a storied California family, amongst whom are the founders of Carmel by the Sea and Napenthe Restaurant in Big Sur. Her work has recently been featured in two major museum exhibitions; at the Morris Graves Museum of Art in Eureka, CA in 2022, and at the Monterey Museum of Art, Monterey, CA in 2021.

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