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Radius Gallery at Arc Stages presents new work by local emerging artist Mary Cara Bates.

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Harborwalk

New Mixed-media Collage

November 17, 2024, through February 28, 2025

Radius Gallery at Arc Stages

147 Wheeler Ave., Pleasantville, NY.

Radius Gallery, the exhibition space at Arc Stages in Pleasantville, New York, opens its 2024/25 season with new work by emerging artist Mary Cara Bates. The exhibit runs from November 17, 2024, through February 28, 2025. An opening reception will be held on Sunday, November 17, between 1 pm and 4 pm.

Bates is a mixed-media artist who creates collages by rearranging cut pieces of her abstract drawings and watercolor paintings into richly layered new works on paper. Inspired by the grid patterns and flow of activity in cities, her work reconciles competing rhythms, textures, and vivid color into a harmonious whole.

The **Harborwalk** series was created in response to a recent trip Bates took to Boston's Seaport District, a former industrial area on the Boston Harbor that has transformed into a center for innovation and bold architecture. From the harbor-facing cantilever of the Institute of Contemporary Art and at points along the Harborwalk promenade, Bates studied the liquid distortions of the building lines refracting on the harbor's undulating surface. Like the transitory abstract reflections on water, her memories of visiting the Seaport became fractured by distance and time. The collages in the Harborwalk series are constructed from reassembled drawings that represent the fragmented aspect of memory of place.

Mary Cara Bates works out of her studio in Cold Spring, NY.

About Radius Gallery

Now in its eighth year of partnership with Arc Stages, Radius Gallery is becoming known for its thoughtful, singular approach to exhibiting work from the art community in and around Westchester County.

About Arc Stages

Arc Stages is a multifaceted arts organization in Pleasantville, New York, comprising three theatre companies and Radius Gallery under one roof.

The Educational Stage: an educational theatre company where students of all ages (youth and adult) can explore the world of theatre through a professional rehearsal process, master classes, outreach, and intensive ensemble work.

The Community Stage: a community theatre company for actors, singers, and technicians from all walks of life that offers the best in musicals and dramas.

The Next Stage: a professional theatre company producing innovative, contemporary theatre and new works, cabaret, workshops, and staged readings.