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Selections: A Retrospective by Frances Kornbluth

Where: Silver Circle Gallery, Putnam, CT

When: On Display February 29 – April 1, 2012

Exhibit Opening: Friday March 2, 2012, 6-8 PM (open to the public)

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“My growth as an artist has come about from being open to experience and the world around me, as well as from sharing the rich heritage of artists of the past.” – Frances Kornbluth

February 12, 2012 – Putnam, CT – The Silver Circle Gallery is pleased to announce the upcoming exhibit, ***Selections: a Retrospective by Frances Kornbluth***, which is comprised of works on paper and canvas from the artist’s sixty-year career. The opening reception, which will take place on **Friday, March 2nd from 6-8 PM**, is open to the public and will be attended by the artist. The exhibit will be on display through the end of March.

Born in New York City in 1920, Frances Kornbluth graduated from Brooklyn College in 1940, attended the Brooklyn Museum Art School from 1955 to 1959 and received a master’s degree from the Pratt Institute in 1962. Over the years she has lived and worked on Long Island, Northeastern Connecticut and Monhegan Island in Maine, and has created a visual language that links the natural environment and abstraction in a variety of mediums. It was at the Brooklyn Museum Art School that Kornbluth met the late Reuben Tam, a noted American landscape artist and abstract painter, who became her mentor and a lifelong friend until his death in 1991. Kornbluth has stated that she credits Tam with encouraging her to become “the artist she never envisioned being.” *Art New England* magazine has praised the “expressive abstract marks” that make up Kornbluth’s works in addition to her ability to capture “the joy and wonder of nature” with a “vocabulary and feeling that is completely her own.”

Kornbluth’s works can be found in many private and public collections, and are regularly featured in galleries, juried competitions and exhibits worldwide. Major exhibits including her work have recently taken place at the University of Connecticut, the Bates College Museum of Art, the University of New England, the Pace Galleries and the Portland Museum of Art. Frances has won a number of awards for her art, including two Medals of Honor from the National Association of Women Artists and a Lifetime Achievement Award from Brooklyn College. *Selections* will be Frances Kornbluth’s 30th solo exhibit and the first in Northeastern Connecticut since the late 1990s.

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Silver Circle Gallery is located at 75 Main Street in Downtown Putnam. Since 2008, Silver Circle has been a fresh, contemporary space where local and regional artists collaborate to show and sell their work, educate others, and inspire one another and their community through the visual arts.

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