

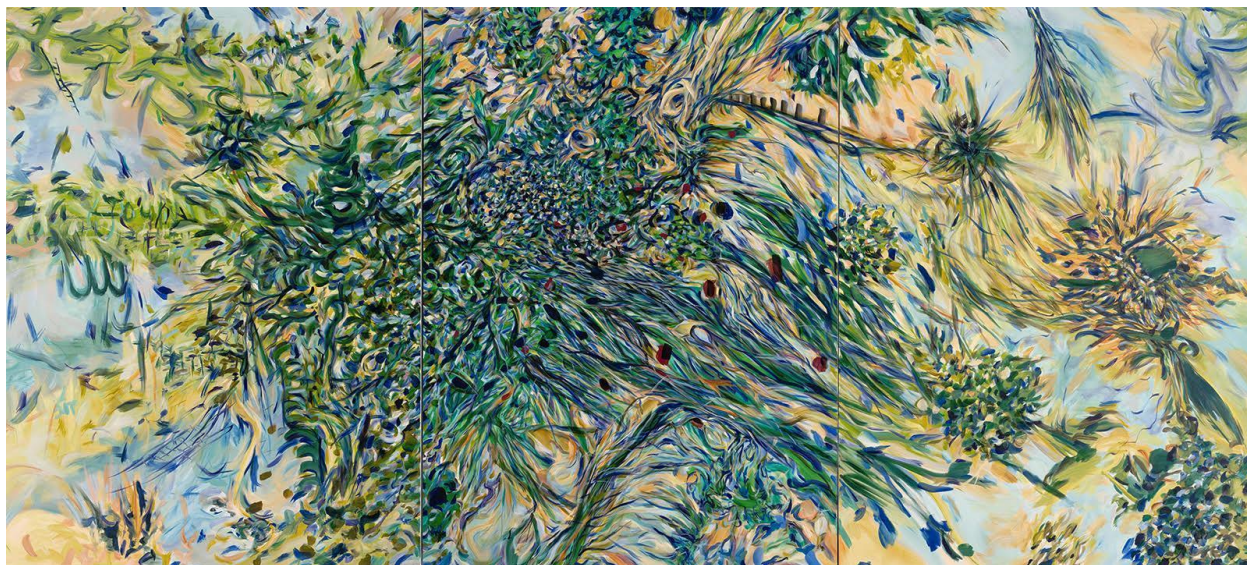
# ***The Alchemy of Place***

April 3 – June 5, 2022

Opening Sunday, April 3 from 3 – 5 PM

**Gallery Commonweal**

Bolinas, CA



Naomie Kremer "Seeding Plan" Oil on linen 62" x 138" (triptych) 2017

**Mari Andrews Jacqueline Barnett Pegan Brooke Robin Dintiman  
Mark Garrett Mirta Guzman Naomie Kremer Mel Prest  
Zachary Royer Scholz Ilene Sunshine  
Curated by Joan Grubin**

**Gallery Commonweal** is pleased to announce an upcoming group exhibition ***The Alchemy of Place***, in which ten artists present a range of work concerned with a sensuous and poetic apprehension of *place*. Taking as its subject the particulars of Commonweal's ecosystem - its site on a wild stretch of rugged coast, its weather, flora, and infrastructure - the work of each artist, much of it created for this show, will embody qualities intrinsic to this community and its setting.

The landscape surrounding Commonweal radiates an overpowering presence. Its impossible beauty is a challenge both to grasp and to distill. These ten artists, most of whom are from the Bay Area, approach a sense of *this* particular place humbly, obliquely, and with specificity of detail.

**The Alchemy of Place** brings to mind the parable of the blind men and the elephant, where differing visions of an elephant emerge from unique perspectives. In this layered exhibition, each artist addresses some salient fragment of a greater whole. The diversity of art forms will manifest the multitude of ways of perceiving and visually expressing a shared subject, while simultaneously engaging in a visual conversation with each other, and activating the capacious space within the Commonweal gallery.

*There will be a few Saturdays during the run of the show when the gallery will be open to visitors. Stay tuned for those dates to be announced.*

*Normally, we're open Monday - Friday, 10 am - 4 pm. To avoid disappointments, we ask you to call **415-868-0970** to make an appointment to visit. On occasion, sensitive events or trainings take place in the space. We'll work with you to find a time for your visit.*

*Please visit the Gallery website for further information about the participating artists and for current COVID guidelines: <https://www.commonweal.org/gallery/>*

**Gallery Commonweal** is located in the main office building of **Commonweal**.

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